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FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC.

HENRY VIII.

A.D. 1529.

1 Jan. Le Grand, III. 268.

5133. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Writes by a courier sent by the ambassador of Venice to the Signory to report his reception. He has been received most honorably. Afterwards, in private conferences, remonstrances had been made to him about that blessed matter of Ravenna and Cervia, to which he would need to give good ear (*avoir grans oreilles*). Nothing has been done here since my letters of the 25th ult. The time has been consumed, both by the King and Wolsey, in fêteing Campeggio, at which I have sometimes been present. I think Wolsey would not be well pleased if I did not tell you of his causing farces to be played in French, with great display, saying, in conclusion, that he does not wish anything to be here which is not French in deed and in word. He is very anxious to know if you approve of his ideas conveyed to you by Thade, *à propos* of which he is much surprised that the Emperor has thus recalled the General of the Cordeliers. Campeggio says the Emperor in this is full of ill will, and determined to do the worst he can, and advises that he should be pressed hard (*qu'on le pousse royde*), which is the true way to bring him to reason, especially if there be a vital point in Spain. He approves highly, however, of the enterprise of Germany, by whatever means it can be carried out, and seems to expect as much good as the other Legate from this general truce and assembly of Avignon, especially if the truce should be of long duration, conceiving that the Emperor meanwhile may remedy his affairs, the children all the while remaining "en la trempe." I assure you, so far as I see, he is not opposed to the common affairs here.

Wolsey has asked me when Mons. de Warty will come, and what he is to do, saying that the King had promised Dr. Tayler to send him immediately. I pretended to know nothing about it, and said that he might have been detained in consequence of the despatch of Thade, by whom he had sent ample instructions. He said he saw no occasion to send a man express, and he told me so expressly, which I think he did on account of Spain.

The ambassador of Hungary has arrived here, and says that the others will not be there for 15 days, as indeed there is no need. I am surprised, to say the truth, that I have been put to so much trouble about him, for he does not wish to speak to Wolsey except through me (*par ma bouche*), and he has told me that several times before his departure thence he had been assured that I was fully instructed; yet till now I have not heard a word

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Du Bellay to Montmorency—*cont.*

about it, and am perplexed not to be able to give him advice. I do not refuse to hear all his case, but I would not proceed too far without knowing the will of Francis; and as great alarm exists among the Flemings and Spaniards about his coming, and the more it increases the more difficulty there will be in "their" passage, I have spread reports in such wise that the Flemings are quite convinced that Francis is sending one gentleman, and the English another, towards the kings of Bohemia and Hungary, and also to those of Poland and Denmark, at the suggestion of the Cardinal here, in order to reconcile them, and prevent the way being opened to the Turk, who makes such great preparation to invade Germany. Wolsey has approved this overture, and spread a like report on his side. You will understand what it means if it reaches you. The Hungarian ambassador assures me that there is no fear of its interfering with the practices of Germany, considering what he has already written from France, and more recently since he came here. There are some here who would be injured by the Turk's invasion, who offered to get a safe-conduct from lady Margaret for such a good purpose. If you think it well, I will keep the matter in suspense while our men can save themselves by sea, which cannot be before the middle of February. Fresh news has come that great assemblies are beginning to be made in Germany; the Flemings say it is for Champagne and Lorraine, but I think otherwise.

While writing, I have received yours of the 23rd ult., which had to wait long at Calais for passage. Tomorrow Wolsey will return from Greenwich, and on Sunday I will go and see him, and learn if he has anything new by a courier who arrived by this passage. I hope he has said truly, for he brings great news, as a New Year's gift to the King, that Andrea Doria is defeated, and has lost 12 of his galleys. But as to what you report to me of the opinion of De Vaux, if that be all, you need take no trouble, for I have considered that opinion well, which is, that the letters from England to the Pope, making mention of this private peace of the Emperor with the King, are of the 8th November. Now I wrote to you at that time to the same effect, and probably of the same date, in the great letter I sent to Francis; and afterwards, by others more recent, I told you that the return of Silvester had effaced all that, so that if there be nothing later you need not mind, for it seems to me they are at this moment wonderfully far off from the purpose; and Wolsey is so founded upon the last that I sent you by Thade, that he could not talk enough about it, and says that if he can but once cross the sea for this object he will do marvellous things. I do not say that if he found he could bring about the peace better or as well by the other road of private treaty, he would not set about it, especially as it would more than ever increase his influence; but I cannot persuade myself he would ever do it without your consent; and I think you have nothing to fear if affairs do get worse.

By a corner of your letter I perceive that you have no great wish that the ambassador of last year should come to you; nor do I wonder, for he is certainly rather high-handed, and I think it will turn out according to your desire. I know how to help to follow up that which has been begun, of which I informed you by Thade; but think you would do well to amend the fault you have done towards him, "si ainsi se doibt baptizer," for he is quite like the others, and I assure you has far more power. Complains of some things that have been said of him in France, which might have been more reasonably imputed to him if it had been found that he had acquired houses and castles, and had managed the finances. If any more such complaints are made, wishes Montmorency would appoint some one to receive and send money who can do it more economically.

By your letters it appears that Francis is pleased with Wolsey's overtures. The merchants here have received news of the arrival of this good prophet,

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the General of the Cordeliers, at Genoa, and they say he has brought a good sum of money. London, 1 Jan.

French.

1 Jan. **5134.** MARGARET OF SAVOY to HENRY VIII.

Galba, B. IX. 102. B. M.

Jehan Dacorde, a Spanish shipowner, complains that about six weeks ago, after having sold his merchandise at London, he was driven to the port of Chambre (Camber), in England, by the weather; where, on Dec. 1, he was attacked by two French galleons, and two of his ships sunk, and the four others were driven ashore and plundered by the French. He has been to the Council to ask restitution, but obtained nothing but the ships, without the rigging, artillery, &c., most of which was taken by Englishmen. His loss is 30,000 ducats. He has asked for letters of marque, which she will not grant without informing Henry. As this is a direct infringement of the truce, demands restitution. Malines, 1 Jan. 1528. *Signed.*

Fr., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

1 Jan. **5135.** THE SAME to [WOLSEY].

Ibid., f. 101. B. M.

To the same effect. Malines, 1 Jan. 1528. *Signed.*

Fr., pp. 2.

1 Jan. **5136.** CARDINAL'S COLLEGE.

R. O.

Letters patent enabling Wolsey to annex to his college of Ipswich the churches of St. Peter, St. Nicholas, St. Clement, St. Mary the Virgin *ad Clavem* in Ipswich, Whersted, Cretingham, Thurstoun, Felixstow, Walton, Rumborough, &c. Westm., 1 Jan. 20 Hen. VIII.

Lat., vellum, beautifully illustrated with a portrait of the King and the royal arms.

2 Jan. **5137.** JOHN HACKET to BRIAN TUKE.

Galba, B. IX. 140. B. M.

Wrote last on the 24th of Dec., about a matter of great importance, the treating between party and party. Hears that if there be no impediment by our means, *the king of Portugal* will answer for as much as *the King* has done in times past, and the administrators of this enterprise wish to exclude *the King* and *Wolsey* from the knowledge of it. Wishes him to tell *Wolsey* of this. Could give him ampler information if he might come over. Has obtained a further respite in Harman's case till the last Friday in Feb., by which time he hopes for sufficient instructions. Has written also to Friar West. My Lady recommends herself to Wolsey, to whom she has written in favor of the Spaniards, marvelling that the French are allowed to drown Spanish ships, kill the men, and plunder the goods in the King's jurisdiction, as has lately happened in the Camer port. Encloses a copy of the complaint to the Council. She asks for restitution. Machlyng, 2 Jan. 1528.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Endd. The words in cipher deciphered.*

3 Jan. **5138.** GREGORY CASALE to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 7. B. M.

The General, cardinal of the Holy Cross, has arrived. Writes about his commission to Vincent Casale. The Pope feels sure that no peace can be concluded unless he and Wolsey go to the Emperor in Spain, which he is ready to do, if Wolsey will also go. He will send a nuncio to the King about it. Rome, 3 Jan. 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1, *mutilated.*

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3 Jan.
Vit. B. xi. 8.
B. M.

5139. GREGORY CASALE to VINCENT CASALE.

Extract from a letter of Gregory Casale to his [cousin] Vincent, dated Rome, 3 Jan.

The General, cardinal of the Holy Cross, has arrived "ad por[tum]." He wishes to go to Naples before the publication of his arrival, that he may bring back the cardinals who are hostages in triumph. The Pope read in the consistory his letters, stating that he had commission to restore the cardinals and 150,000 ducats which the Imperialists had extorted from him. Has persuaded the cardinals of Mantua and Farnese to exhort the Pope not to let this opportunity of peace pass by. Went to the Pope. and showed him that no time could be more suitable for a peace; for both the Emperor himself and the Imperialists had shown that he would rather die than be compelled to make peace, but that he would do so if he were drawn to it by the Pope and the Kings. He is master of Lombardy, and has recovered Naples with honor. If he now accept the conditions which he refused in more adverse circumstances, it would be great glory to him, and would show that the destruction of the Holy See was done by his party for their defence, and not with any bad intent. Besides, although appearances are so favorable to him, he must see on reflection that he is more weak than ever; for the Imperialists cannot blockade or drive away the small army of Renzi, so that if next spring forces were maintained in Apulia, and the war carried on in Lombardy or Flanders, the allies would gain whatever they wished. Cannot, therefore, but think his Majesty intends peace. Told his Holiness that if he knows the Emperor to be of this opinion he ought not to lose a moment, for if he waits for the spring matters will have altered. The allies must provide what is necessary for war, unless peace is concluded. Warned him specially of treating for himself with the Emperor, which would cause jealousy between the Princes, and would increase the Emperor's arrogance.

His Holiness answered that what he had said was true, but that the Cardinal of the Holy Cross brought nothing except the restitution [of the hostages] and the fortresses; that as to a general peace, the Emperor desired the fulfilment of the treaty of Madrid, and insists on the settlement of Italian affairs by the Pope. Said that the Emperor would do the con[tra]ry to what he and the Imperialists had always asserted, "si nunc [mit]tere voluerit Burgundiam propter hanc novissimam victoriam," and he did not believe that this was possible. He answered that the General asserted that it was true, and he asked him what the Emperor would do if he went to Spain in person; to which the General answered that if the Pope showed him that honor ". . . . . [quo]niam re vera adduceret illum ad omnia honesta, nam poterit . . . . . quod alias facere voluerit talia et eas accipere conditiones qu[as] . . . . . Sanctitati denegare nequibit, videns quod ipsa moveatur propter ruin[am] . . . . . cui ob particularem injuriam Cæsar omittere non debet ut . . . . . [si]miles alias afferens rationes, quæ super hac re adduci poss[unt]. Sanctissimus D. N. pro certo habet quod quum tantum honoris ejus access . . . . . sit allaturus Cæsari non posset ipse hujusmodi petitionem ejus Sanctitati den[egare] . . . . . ad hæc ipsa sperat se hujusmodi rationes Cæsari super ejus commodo, et u . . . . . ostensuram, quas ejus consiliarii ignorant et non intelligunt."

Said that the more he placed himself in the hands of the Imperialists the more arrogant they became, alleging past circumstances as a proof; and told him that if he went to the Emperor, it would cause great suspicion, considering his goodness and the cunning of the Spaniards. Persuaded him to peace, telling him that every Christian prince desired quiet; that the only obstacle was to find a method of treating, and he thought that if the Pope, the king of England, and Wolsey united for this purpose, appointing one as a head, it would not be very difficult. His Holiness replied, that if he went to Spain he would wish Wolsey to accompany him; but he did not wish to go as Pope,

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nor Wolsey as a Cardinal, but as joint ambassadors. The French king should be consulted. The Emperor should be asked to dismiss Andrea Doria, whom the Pope would engage, and would make the voyage in his galleys and those of Rhodes. He would stay awhile at Marseilles to speak with the French king. He did not wish Casale to write much about this, for he intends to send an ambassador to England. The Legate has spoken of it to the French king, who approved of it, and promised to meet the Pope. Giacomo Salviati showed [him] the Legate's letters on the subject. Warned the Pope again not to treat of private matters, for the least knowledge of this would cause an interruption, for all the powers of Italy would watch him as enemies.

Is certain that Wolsey would govern him. The General has a commission to offer the Emperor's daughter to the Pope's nephew, and to restore him. Thinks his conversation with the Pope will prevent him from declaring for the Emperor.

Showed him that his offer of going to the Emperor will be a reason for refusing to make any agreement with the Imperialists.

Lately St. Pôl sent 500 horse and 3,000 foot to take Doria, whose house is near Genoa. They were just discovered in time for Doria to send some baggage to Genoa, and he with 20 men resisted them until the bridge of the city was raised, and then he entered the city by a secret gate. The following night three ships with 1,700 Spaniards came to Genoa. It is thought they will go to Milan.

Lat., pp. 6.

[3 Jan.] **5140.** ITALY.

Vit. B. XIV. 6.
B. M.

. . . . . .

"Iste Generalis C[ardinalis S. Crucis] . . . . . .
descendit, dein . . . . . .
dies, totidem et . . . . . .
vult ire Neapolim. . . . . .
erant S^mus D. N. l. . . . . .
Generalem habere in [mand]atis re . . . . . .
150,000 ducatorum quos Cæsarei milites . . . . . .
ram intelligeret nonnulla bona nova q . . . . . .
nem domas suæ Sanctitatis. Quod quum ego a nonnu[llis] . . . . . .
nostris amicis intellexissem, volui antequam alloqueret[ur] . . . . . .
. . . si quid retegere possem, et inter cætera effeci quod Ca[rdinales]
. . . . . [et] Farnesius loquerentur cum ejus Sanctitate eamque
hortarentur [nullam occa]sionem concludendi pacem omittere, quum sit
quod res esse n . . . . . apto, nec magis ad propositum ; super
qua re dicti cardinales . . . . . runt cum S^mo D. N. quibus
ejus Sanctitas adeo aperuit hanc . . . . . [ut] ego perceperim quo
tendere volebat. Deinde me contuli . . . . . ea die locutus
sum, eique affirmavi meam ita ferre opin[ionem] . . . . . succedat ; ad quod
credendum adducebar quod is est hodie statu[s rerum ut] pro facilitanda pace
nullo pacto optare possemus, quia et . . . . . [præ]dicavit et imperiales
semper prædicarunt ejus Majestatem esse pr . . . . . vim coactam ad
pacem deventuram, sed si videret ab [rege] Christianissimo se ad pacem
attrahi aut similibus mediis ad ea[m] . . . . . [salvo] suo honore
ne videretur per vim coacta pacem co[ncludere] . . . . hodie bene conveniunt
quia dici potest quod Cæsar sit . . . . . quum nullum obstaculum illic
habeat ad exercitum conf[œderatorum] . . . . . ravit tanta sua cum
gloria et honore regnum . . . . . sare hucusque nulli alii tam
prospere cess . . . . . resolveret ad pacem concludend[am]
* * * tingueret ejus patrata facinora . . . . . .
. . . . . em Sedis Apostolicæ per suos factam . . . . . .

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. . . non propter aliquem malum effe[ctum] . . . . . ."

Mutilated. Vannes' hand. Modern marginal note: "1529 ut puto, 3 Januarii, Roma, Greg. Casalius."

3 Jan. R. O. **5141.** HUGH SHAWE, Alderman of Our Lady's Guild, Boston, to CRUMWELL.

In fulfilment of his letter for provision of fowls for my lord Cardinal, sends herewith 2 cranes, 3 byttors, 1 heronsewe, 11 grey birds, 13 plovers, 8 "wypys," 14 stints, 11 teals, 2 knots, and 1 yarewhelpe. Would have sent more if he could have got them. Has had 16 men riding about these three days to find them. Boston, 3 Jan., 2 o'clock in the morning.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c. the right worshipful Mr. Crumwell, this be delyvered at London. *Endd.*

6 Jan. Vit. B. XI. 11. B M. **5142.** ——— to ———

". . . . Signore et padron mio osservandissimo."

Has heard that the bishop of Aquila has entered Aquila, taken the Viceroy prisoner, and killed all the Spaniards there. There are said to be near Ascoli 700 men-at-arms, 600 light horse, and 4,000 infantry. Advises men to be sent to protect Aquila. (*Here follows a line of cipher.*) 6 Jan. 1529.

Hol., Ital., p. 1.

6 Jan. R. O. **5143.** EDMUND ABBOT OF YORK to CROMWELL.

Sends by his brother, the bearer, Cromwell's fee of 40*s*. Hoping that he continues to be friendly in all his causes, as he promised when the writer was last in London, begs him to further his charter sealing, in which he was of counsel with him. From the monastery, 6 Jan.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.;* To his very loving friend Mr. Cromwell, servant to my lord Legate's grace.

6 Jan. R. O. **5144.** WOLSEY'S COLLEGES.

Grant by the duke of Norfolk to cardinal Wolsey of the priory of Felixstow; and appointment of Ralph Sadler and Hugh Whalley as his attorneys. Dated 6 Jan. 20 Hen. VIII.

Lat., vellum; with the arms and crest of the Duke, beautifully tricked and emblazoned.

R. O. 2. Another copy.

5145. FELIXSTOW.

R. O. "A remembrance unto Mr. Cromewell of certain utensils that I saw at Filstou."

In the hall: three standing boards set fast in the ground; old hangings, of little value, stained, of the life of Job. In the parlor: a cupboard with two "awmeries," value at 5*s*.; an old long table next the window; a small square side table, and two old short forms an ell long, of little value. In the buttery: a bin for bread to be chopped. In the cellar: nothing. In the chamber over the parlor: a small bedstead, "and a noghty lok." "All the locks about the house been nought." Two old square chests; a pair of rude andirons. In the next chamber: a small bedstead, and an evil lock; a new clothes press.

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Reminds Cromwell of certain alterations to be made in the lease when Peteley comes.
P. 1. *Endd.*

5146. R.(?) to CRUMWELL.

R. O. Asks Crumwell to help him to obtain the ferme of Filstou (Felixstowe) from Petely. His wife met him in Southwark and asked for it, but he refused her. Would like to have it by Easter.

He asks 20*l.* for it, but it goes but for 12*l.*, and went before for 10*l.*, which Blakman of Shoreham paid. Asks Cromwell to send for him to the White Hart at Southwark, where he is staying, and doubts not he will make an end with him, "for he is very slypper in his promises."

Does not wish to give more than 12*l.* Thinks his matter is somewhat hurt by Edw. Ashe.

Does not expect to make much profit, for the ground is barren and stony.
Hol., p. 1.

8 Jan. **5147.** ITALY.

Vit. B. XI. 12. B. M. Dated the 8th, received 12 Jan. 1529, from "il Signore Cavaliere" [Sir Gregory Casale].

News has come today that Camillo Pardo and the count of Aquila have entered Aquila, having killed and put to flight the Imperialists. 700 lanzknechts have arrived at Popolo. Pardo and the Count have written to the French ambassador, that if he will send them 700 infantry they can hold out against all the Imperialists in the kingdom. Advises the placing of 1,500 foot in Aquila, which would prevent the Imperialists from levying any subsidy in the kingdom of Naples. Rome, [8] Jan. 1529.

The English have not yet arrived. . . . . Signore (the Pope?) has been ill with rheumatic fever; the fourth attack is expected *tomorrow*, which may be dangerous. It would be well *if the* cardinals from Venice were here.
Ital., p. 1, *copy.*

5148. W. KNIGHT to ———.

Cal. D. VI. 341. B. M. Some in England would suspect him of negligence, but he hopes to clear himself from that charge. "It is great marvel unto me the sudden alteration of matters. I thought at my departing from you that the devise for indiction of peace and a presidie to be given unto the Pope was the high and godly invent[ion] that should cause tranquillity in all parties, and have quieted the King's mind." Perceives that there is "some cacade that interturbeth all godly devices." The French king will have no truce, and intends sending shortly one of his privy chamber to the King to require 10,000 men for his enterprise on Spain. Will understand by Vincent de Casalis and a chamberlain of the Pope's, which departed hence two days past, "how untoward the Pope is in the King's great affair." He and his fellow expect to be recalled on their arrival. Will stay at Lyons till such doubts be resolved "as we write [of to] my good lord Legate." Will receive a letter with this, written at their suit to the Pope, "in the King our master's cause." "Farewell with this good new year."

P.S.—Despatched Thadeo for Rome yesterday, who will be there in eight days, as soon as Sir Francis Brian. Begs that the delivery of his obligation to William Popley may be remembered, and that Sir Petre may return to them, albeit they are countermanded, and that he may be paid 14 crowns which Knight and his fellow had disbursed for his coming into England. *Signed as above.*
Hol., mutilated, pp. 2. *Begins:* "Right honorable."

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8 Jan. **5149.** KNIGHT and BENET to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 141.

Though it may seem to some that we proceed negligently, yet when you have seen the two letters we have sent to Wolsey, you will perceive we could not have done otherwise. Nothing was more disagreeable to us than, after we were sufficiently instructed for your high matter, to find the French king nowise willing to accept a truce, and to learn by Gregory's (Casale) letter to you of the Pope's untowardness. If what Vincent, his brother, says be true, our going to Rome will be in vain. Paris, 8 Jan. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

8 Jan. **5150.** KNIGHT and BENET to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 13. B. M.

At their first coming to the court at St. Ger[mains], met in the great chamber a near kinsman of Sir Gregory Casalis, who said he was sent to the King and Wolsey by Sir Gregory. Told him to come to their lodging at his return to Paris, and they would give him letters to the deputy of Calais for his better passage. When he came, finding that they were going to Rome, he told them that the Pope was never more afraid of the Imperialists than now, as many of those who were present at the sack of Rome were there now, in great triumph and reputation, "and . . . . . the Emperor's ambassador, the archbishop of Capu[a] . . . . . of the Cæsarians, that susurred daily in the Pop[e's ears, sometimes] advising, sometimes threatening the Pope for gra[nting the] commission." He daily shows signs of repentance for having granted it, saying that he is undone if the decretal comes to the knowledge of the Emperor. Sir Gregory was told by Salviati, who wholly governs the Pope, that if sentence were given by the decretal, it not only would have no effect, but would be cause of the Pope's deposition, for the cardinal of Mayence had written that nothing would so much corroborate Luther's sect as granting this divorce. Vincent says it is not enough to put the Pope out of fear, but the Imperialists must be so handled that they will dread the King and his confederates.

See evidently that their voyage to Rome will be frustrate, for they cannot know the Pope's mind but by expounding and requiring the particular degrees in order. If the Pope refused the first and second requests, and they then attempted him with the third, they would disclose everything and obtain nothing. The whole matter would then come to the Emperor's knowledge, "and what might after be sp[oken, and] of all likelihood written, that might sound unto th[e King's] dishonor, and consequently unto his high disp[leasure, your] Grace can best conjecture." If the French ambassadors should call upon them to move the Pope to take the proposed guard, their untowardness would show that they do not intend to contribute unless the Pope will [grant] some secret requests, and the French will perceive that your pretence of doing so for the French king's sake is merely dissimulation, and that it is intended to put him to expence merely to obtain your own ends. It will also be the means of making known many dangerous secrets. Have, therefore, told Sir Fra[ncis Bryan] to consider . . . . . instructions, and also to find out from Sir Gregory how the Pope is disposed towards the King's affair. If he be well minded, "then they be f . . . . of all things for concluding of the presidie, if the . . . . . untoward, and they be required by the French ambassa[dors] to offer unto the Pope the guard, forasmuch as it y[s to be s]upposed that he dare take none, by offering they shall know what he meaneth, and if they do find him content they may say that we have the commission, and that they must tarry our arrival."

Are going today to Lyons, that the King may not conceive any suspicion by their staying here. Will wait there for further orders. Paris, 8 Jan. *Signed.*

Pp. 4, mutilated.

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9 Jan. **5151.** FRANCIS BRYAN and [PETER VANNES] to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 15. B.M.

Arrived today at Florence. [Bryan] writes of the dangers of the road. On their arrival at Bologna on the 5th, the prothonotary, the governor of the town, sent his brother to bring them to his house. He asked Brian after Wolsey, and then inquired about the progress of the King's affair, which he was surprised to hear was not yet finished, especially as he knew that sufficient commissions had been granted to Wolsey and Campeggio. He said he was sure the Pope would confirm whatever they decided. When Brian told this to Vannes, they determined to discover his opinion, as far as possible; for he has great authority with the Pope, and the whole state of Bologna is subject to him as a king, and he receives frequent messages and letters from the Pope. After delivering to him the letters of the King and Wolsey, told him that the cause of their journey to the Pope was to express the King's desire for the public good, and his assiduous care for the preservation of the Church, which Gambara said he knew much better than they could tell him. Bryan then desired him to use his influence with the Pope in the King's favor, which he promised to do most solemnly, but asked why sentence [was] not [given] by the Legates. "Putavi ego Petrus non esse . . . . . et nihilominus de producta brevis copi[a] . . . . . dicendum. Putat ne, inquam, D. V. R. [Pontificem] memoriam ullam meritorum Reg[iæ majestatis] tenere, et eo tempore præstitorum quum existim[aret] futurum nunquam ut ejus Sanctitatis opera egeret; putat n[e], inquam, D. vestra, pontificem eo esse animo, ut hu[ic] sanctissimo et plusquam necessario regiæ Majestatis vo[to] velit tandem satisfacere, nec alio ullo respectu addu[ctus] illud clanculum perturbet, aut differat?"

He answered that this was undeniable. Said that if they found the Pope of this mind they would easily obtain what would make the King's cause secure. He said he supposed they would obtain everything except the decretals. The Pope then, [they answered,] will not grant them, because the King's cause most needs them. He asked what was the use of decretals if the Pope would confirm every thing. Answered that he might die or change his mind, which would seriously injure the King's honor and the whole kingdom. After Gardiner's departure, the cardinal S. Quatuor, De Monte, and Simonetta had openly advised the Pope not to grant this. Why did they not openly say so in Gardiner's presence, and give their reasons? He answered that they were silent lest they should prejudice the judges. Why, I said, is it necessary to move with so much caution? What, he answered, if the Pope binds himself to confirm in two months whatever sentence the Legates pronounce? (*A line or more lost.*) ". . . . . mus, sed ubi animum Pontificis cognov[erimus] eum ad nostrum Regem perscribemus, D. . . . . cupere se dixit, ut Romæ adesset, m . . . . . interim offerens casu quo regia causa op[tatum] effectum sortiatur, dixit se scripturum ad Sangam . . . . . qui si rescripserit ejus præsentiam posse nego[tium] juvare, statim veniet alioquin pro officio . . . . . tatem obtulit. Mihi præterea Petro secreto [dixit], Pontifex forsan timet, ne si indicatur concili[um] . . . . . illi objiciatur, quod novum jus in re tanta condi . . . . . et veteri detraxerit ad solam principis g . . . . . et ea satis justa causa privationis ce . . . . . queat, diximusque non decere pontificem . . . . . adductum metu, de principe optime merito . . . . . sanctissima male mereri, adduximus e . . . . . pontificem Alexandrum in re consimili . . . . . consiliariis, regi Hungariæ olim . . . . . potestatis plenitudine satisfecisse, judicare . . . . . prothonotarius, quam disparia essent merita Regis [nostri] et regis Hungariæ; omnem ille operam nava-[turum] se promisit, quam diximus nos esse ab eventu . . . . . .

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maturos; et de hac re non plura sumus loqu[uti], Dominusque Brianus de omni sermone Regiam Majestatem suis literis certiorem nunc facit."

(*A line lost.*) "[s]pes omnis a Generalis adventu derivatur et pacem haud dubie subsecuturam confido," if the French king will give up his right to Milan and pay his son's ransom.

The courier who is sent by the French ambassador cannot wait till he copies this letter fairly. Florence, 9 Jan. 1528. *Signed by Bryan. Vannes' signature lost.*

Lat., mutilated, pp. 6.

9 Jan. **5152.** BRYAN and VANNES to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 143.

Since my last to you from Chambery, to write all that has happened would be tedious, especially as I have written to the Comptroller, to Norris, and to all my fellows of your Grace's chamber. On reaching Bologna, on Twelfth even, at 4, we were met by Martyn, secretary to the governor Gamber, and his nephew, by whom we were well received. The Governor asked me of your matters, and when I told him that they were not well, "he stepped back and blessed him, and sware to me on his faith he went (weened) it had been done." On this I was somewhat bolder, and told him you trusted no one so much as himself, as he had great power with the Pope. He said if he had been my lord Legate he would have given judgment on your side long ago; and he wondered the Legates had not done so, as they had a commission from the Pope for that purpose, and whatever they did the Pope would confirm. We asked him what would be the result if the Pope should not confirm, or should die; and he asked us, in reply, whether we would be contented if the Pope should bind himself by a bill to confirm the Legates' judgment, which he thought the Pope would do. We desired him to further the cause, and he said if he were Pope he would do it for two reasons: 1st, because the Pope might do it; and, 2ndly, because he knew England well, and if the King should die without heirs male it would cost the lives of 200,000 men. We thanked him, promising large offers if the matter took effect.

We cannot tell if he knows of any brief. I did not speak of it. He said he thought the Pope would not grant any decretal. He volunteered this. His reason was that cardinal St. Quatuor and others had told the Pope he might not. "But at our coming to Rome we trust that if fair words, large offers of money or pension, or bishoprics, or if all this will not serve, with some bold words we shall win these men." We said if the Pope were Pope, he might act as Alexander had done on a former occasion, in spite of all the cardinals. Other matters we have written to Wolsey. We trust to be at Rome on Tuesday. "I would have written to my mistress that shall be,* but I will not write unto her till I may write that shall please her most in this world. I pray God to send your Grace and her long life and merry, or else me a short end." Florence, 9 Jan. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

9 Jan. **5153.** INIGO DE MENDOZA to HENRY VIII.

R. O.

Lady Margaret has refused, without consulting the King, to grant letters of mark to the Spaniards living in Flanders, who have complained of the violation of the truce by the French within English ports. She trusts that the King will have the French duly punished. From his house in the suburbs, 5 id. Jan. *Signed and sealed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

* Anne Boleyn.

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9 Jan. **5154.** QUEEN KATHARINE to CHARLES V.

MS. Simancas. The King, having lately felt a scruple regarding the marriage between himself and her, has sought counsel of many learned men, and finally has referred the matter to be judged by the Pope, who has given a commission to the Cardinal here, and another sent by his Holiness, for the purpose. Has exhibited to the King two copies, the one of a bull, and the other of a brief, which were sent to her along with the Emperor's letters, and signed by some of his secretaries. That of the bull agrees with the bull itself, which is here; but, in the absence of the original brief, she is informed by her counsel that the copy will not suffice to be read before a judge. Begs him for the love of God to help her to obtain justice. Is sure he would regret to see her parted from her husband, and her child prejudiced. If the brief were here, she could demand her rights by law. Trusts the Emperor, being so nearly related to her, will not allow her to be dishonored. Begs, therefore, that he will send the original brief to the frontier of Bayonne, whence the King will provide to have it conveyed safely through France. The Emperor may order a copy to be made according to law, by a judge ordinary or bishop, taking with him a notary (*tomando consigo notaria para el corso*). Has given a procuration to the bearer, her chaplain, Thomas Abel, on this matter, and begs by all means to have the original. Hampton Court, 9 Jan.

Begs his favor for Juan de Montoya, who goes to conduct her chaplain through Spain, that he may go and come freely.

Spanish, modern copy.

ii. Thomas Abel to Charles V.

Is sent by the Queen to desire of his Majesty what may be most to her profit. She requests (1) that his Majesty in nowise give up the brief, notwithstanding that the Queen's letter earnestly requests it, as she was compelled under oath to write in that manner. (2.) That Charles should write to his ambassadors at Rome to use every effort to prevent the matter being examined (*no se vea*) anywhere but in Rome, for they have not yet begun to examine it in England; otherwise the Queen's cause will be in great danger. If the Pope reply that the Queen herself has not asked it, the ambassador shall say that she neither says, nor writes, nor signs anything but what the King commands her; for to this she is compelled by a solemn oath. (3.) The Emperor's ambassadors should complain to the Pope that he has given so many injunctions (*mandamientos*) against the Queen without having heard the parties, and should ask that he do not do so in future. (4.) The Emperor should send to England a good canonist as his ambassador, that he may, when needful, speak in the Queen's business, as they cannot refuse to hear an ambassador, as they did those sent by Madame from Flanders, whom they ordered to return. (6.)* That Charles should order good canonists and legists to examine the matter, and write to the Queen thereon something that she can make use of.

Spanish, modern copy.

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Add. MS. 4622, f. 111. B. M. "Advice to be given to the Queen's grace by her counsellers."

"Forasmuch as your Grace now late did show unto us of your Council the copy of a bull and a brief concerning your marriage, whereof by your commandment we delivered a copy to the King's highness," his Council, on examination and search in his treasury, where no corresponding brief can be found, but only a bull, suspect for many reasons that the original of that brief must be a forgery. When, therefore, process shall begin against you, the production of that copy will be of little use. You must, therefore, en-

* No 5th head is given in the copy.

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deavor by all means, for the King's satisfaction, "and as ye tender the continuance of love" between him and your Grace, to procure the original, which is now in the Emperor's custody. This, it is thought, you may easily obtain from him, if you write, telling him that your husband has conceived a great scruple concerning your marriage, for which he has felt it necessary to apply to the Pope, who has commissioned two legates to investigate it; and that your counsel inform you that the production of the copy of the brief will not be sufficient. You should desire him, out of regard for your honor and that of your child, to send it to England, telling him that, if conveyed to his confines near Bayonne, the King will provide for its safe passage through France. You may offer that an authentic copy be made, for which you have given procuration sufficient to your messenger, and which being deposited in his treasury will serve his purpose as well as the original; but that you have bound yourself to exhibit the latter within three months at the furthest.

If you decline to follow this course, it may be greatly to your hindrance; "for if we ourself were judges in this matter, and should lawfully find that where ye might ye did not do your diligence for the attaining of the said original, surely we would proceed further in that matter as the law would require, tarrying nothing therefore as if never any such brief had been spoken of." You had better also write to the Emperor's ambassador, from whom you had the copy, desiring him to write in your behalf to the Emperor. If the Emperor refuse, the Queen should make protest that he does her wrong, and appeal to the Pope for compulsories and other remedies. To satisfy the King, she should also protest, in presence of a notary, that she will use no delay, but endeavor *bonâ fide* by all means to obtain the brief as soon as possible.

Modern copy, pp. 8.

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R. O. Memorial of things to be said in answer to the Emperor by the English ambassadors, if the matter of the King's marriage be touched upon, and an appeal of the Emperor be spoken of.

First, they must take care not to say anything about the case themselves; but if anything be said about it by the Emperor or his councillors which calls for a reply either on the whole case or any part thereof, they are to adapt their answer thereto according to the following instructions:—

1. If it be objected that the cause rests on no good foundation, but is instigated by some one in hatred to the Emperor, after so many years, &c., it will then be necessary to relate the origin and progress of the whole affair, how it came to light, how carefully it was examined at home and abroad, then referred to the Pope, discussed at great length before him, and finally committed to be examined, viz., that whereas the King for some years past had noticed in reading the Bible the severe penalty inflicted by God on those who married the relicts of their brothers, he began to be troubled in his conscience, and to regard the sudden deaths of his male children as a Divine judgment. The more he studied the matter the more clearly it appeared to him that he had broken a Divine law. He then called to counsel men learned in pontifical law, to ascertain their opinion of the dispensation. Several pronounced it invalid. So far he had proceeded as secretly as possible, that he might do nothing rashly. He then assembled the bishops of England, and the most learned men both in divine and human law, by whom with mature deliberation all that could be said both for and against the marriage was epitomised in one volume. By common consent the cause was declared one for the Pope's judgment, and the King accordingly sent ambassadors to the Pope with the book containing the merits of the case. The matter was discussed before the Pope by Simonetta, dean of the Rota, cardinals Monte

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and St. Quatuor and Dr. Capasuk, auditor of the Rota, and afterwards by Vincent de Perusio. On being pressed to declare their opinions, the Pope asked the ambassadors instead, if they would undertake a general commission to be executed in England, and he would confirm the sentence. After long intercession, the ambassadors, finding there was no hope of getting the Pope to pronounce an opinion, addressed his Holiness, telling him that it was apparent he either would not or could not pronounce an opinion;—that if he could not, people would think God had taken from him the key of knowledge, and that pontifical laws which were not clear to the Pope himself deserved to be committed to the flames, as they had been elsewhere; but that if he could and would not do what he ought to do willingly, viz., show an erring man the way, it was gross dereliction of his functions. And they urged the Pope not to be wanting to a prince to whom he confessed himself under such obligations. To this his Holiness only replied by asking them to be content with a general commission, and not insist upon a direct sentence. The ambassadors then told the Pope that he did in fact the very thing he would not in words; for what was granting a commission but an acknowledgment, in part, of the goodness of the cause? At last the ambassadors had to accept a commission to cardinals Wolsey and Campeggio, and returned. Thus it is evident every step has been taken which behoved for the proper cognisance of the cause before the Pope himself; nor would the King have been at so much trouble and expence if he had only cared to indulge his own desires.

2. If only parts of the case be touched upon, as, whether such marriages are prohibited by Divine law, a little book has been drawn up, the arguments of which might be briefly referred to. Reasons adduced to show that the prohibition in Levit. xviii. applies to the wife of a deceased as well as of a living brother.

3. If the papal dispensation be alleged, it may be replied, that many learned men doubt the power of the Pope to dispense, and all agree that he cannot do so except for the most urgent causes, which are not found in the bull of Julius.

4. If mention be made of the brief which is with the Emperor;—there are grave suspicions about this brief, which, even if taken separately they be insufficient, collectively they are of great force. First, there is no entry of it in the registers at Rome. (2.) It is not in England, where it ought to be. (3.) It appears to have the same date as the bull, and it is extremely unlikely that a bull and brief should both be issued the same day about the same cause, or that a dispensation under wax should be more efficacious than one under lead. (4.) Further, it corrects the errors (*vitia*) in the bull which have lately been brought to light, and that to a quite unnecessary extent, as in omitting the word *forsan* lest it should suggest a doubt. (5.) Lastly, it is not dated according to the computation used in papal briefs, by which the year begins at Christmas; for, according to that computation, the date is before Julius became Pope.

5. If it be said these arguments reflect dishonor on the Emperor, as he who uses a forged document is no less guilty than a forger, it may be replied that the King quite acquits the Emperor of all intentional error in the matter, as he might easily have been imposed upon.

6. If anything be said of sending the brief to England;—there are many reasons why it should be sent:—(1.) It properly belongs to the King and Queen, to whom it is addressed, not to the Emperor. (2.) It concerns them to have true and valid dispensations. (3.) When the cause was heard in England, messengers from the Queen were sent to Spain to procure the original and not a transcript, that in such an important case the judges might decide with their own eyes; and though the Emperor might allege that it was in danger of being lost by the way, the loss would not concern him, but the King and Queen. The Emperor, no doubt, had good reason for sending

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only a copy when peace was not firmly established, but the King has no doubt he will send the original now in proof of his friendship to the King.

7. If the Emperor say the King's cause ought not to be judged in his own kingdom, it is to be answered that the Pope has judged otherwise, as the Emperor's ambassador at Rome can bear witness, in whose presence the English ambassadors related the whole affair from the beginning. (2.) What place could be more convenient for an examination of noblemen and other witnesses, and for an exhibition of documents which it would not be right to take out of the kingdom? The only real objection to such a course, viz., the power of a prince in his own kingdom, ceases in this case, as the King has always submitted himself freely to judgment, and allowed the Queen both foreign and English counsel. (3.) If England be an unsuitable place, how much less suitable is Rome, which was in the power of the Emperor, and is not even yet free.

Lat., pp. 26.

9 Jan. **5157.** CLAUDE DODIEU, SIEUR DE VELLY, to [FRANCIS I.]

Vit. B. x. 29*. B. M.

Since writing last on the 28th ult., the chevalier Vincent Nuscinelly, who was captain of 300 men at Barletta, under the charge of Simon Romano, has come hither, and reports that on Dec. 5 Rence had with him more than 6,000 men-at-arms, besides 500 or 600 light horse; that Barletta was well fortified and provisioned, and that the prince of Melfy, Federic Caraffa, and other barons of the kingdom were there. At Trani the Venetians have under the charge of Camillo Ursin 3,000 foot and 500 "capellets," and 16 galleys. Thought this number was exaggerated, but finds that the King has in la Pouille 8,000 men and 1,000 light horse, including the Venetians. On the 7th inst., the countess of Montorio sent a gentleman to tell him that Jehan Franc, brother of the count of Montorio, left la Matrice (Amatrice) on the 2nd with 250 harquebusiers and a number of peasants, and took Monte Real, which lies between Amatrice and Aquila, defeating the Spanish garrison. On the following Sunday, the peasants round Aquila assembled, and, with the help of some of the citizens, stormed the town, and took prisoners Julio de Capua, lately come to Abruzzi as viceroy in place of Sciarra Colonna, and the captain of the town. Is expecting letters from Camillo Pardo and the count of Montorio. Has urged the lords here to supply payment for 1,500 men to send to Pardo and the count for the safety of Abruzzi.* Asks him to send thither the abbot of Farfa and Stephano Colonna, with their men. They could, with the favor of Rence, make la Bruce and the Pope secure.

His Holiness is much pressed by the cardinal Cordelier to declare himself imperialist. Florence, 9 Jan. 1528. *Signed:* Clau. Dodieu.

Fr., pp. 3. *Add.:* Au Roy mon souverain seigneur. *Endd.:* De M. de Velly, Fleurence, 9 Jan. 1528.

10 Jan. **5158.** The SUBPRIOR and CANONS OF BUTLEY to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Had intended to elect Sir Thomas Sudborne; but, by the advice of their counsellors, have compromitted the said election into Wolsey's hands. Recommend Sudborne to Wolsey's favor. Butley, 10 Jan. 1528. *Signed:* Will'mus Gymbold, subprior et præsidens—Johannes Debynham—Jacobus Denyngton — *and eight others, all named. The last is Thomas Yppiswyche, by whom the letter was evidently written.*

P. 1. *Add. and sealed. Endd.*

* Here occurs a passage in cipher.

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10 Jan. R. O. **5159.** WM. GOLDWIN, Master of the School at Ipswich, to WOLSEY.

Expresses his gratitude and that of the people of Ipswich. Sends specimens of the handwriting of some of the boys, who, he hopes, will soon be able to speak Italian. The number is increasing, so that the schoolhouse is becoming too small. 4 id. Jan.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* R., &c., Thomæ card. Ebor. et de latere Legato.

10 Jan. R. O. **5160.** JAMES HYLL and THOMAS CHAUSER, Bailiffs of Ipswich, to WOLSEY.

Give their willing assent to Wolsey's request that the lands of old assigned to the grammar master at Ipswich should be amortised to Wolsey's college, for the support of the new master of grammar in the school there. Thank Wolsey for having so much consideration for the weal of the town. Ipswich, 10 Jan. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

11 Jan. R. O. **5161.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to ———.

On the 8th I wrote to you that the Pope was unwell. Since then his illness has increased so greatly that fears arose of his death; which God forbid, in these turbulent times. Last night he took some medicine, which has produced little effect. This evening we have received some hope of his recovery, as the fever has not returned at its usual term; but he is not yet out of danger. Yester even the Pope held a consistory, and created the magnifico Hippolito a cardinal. [Rome,] 11 Jan.

Copy, Ital., p. 1. *Endd.*

12 Jan. R. O. **5162.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to ———.

Last night the Pope had a return of the fever. Cause the mandate or proxy [to be sent] with all the clauses, especially that for extinguishing and compounding the pension. Rome, 12 Jan. 1529.

ii. Paul Casale to ———.

Hears that the Pope has been ill of a fever. Towards evening he was slightly relieved, and took supper, which he could not retain on his stomach. This, however, augurs well for his recovery; but some regard it as a bad sign. Rome, 12 Jan. 1529.

Copies, Ital., p. 1. *Endd.*

12 Jan. Le Grand, III. 277. **5163.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Has sent all the news he can gather to Francis. Has not been able to learn those brought from Rome by the brother of the knight De Casalis, whose coming they would have altogether denied, and at last pretended that it was only for his own private affairs. A messenger from the Pope has come to Campeggio, but only arrived yesterday, and I have not heard his news either. I know they want to keep things from you a little, under color that you do the like. They know or think they know that you have sent secretly a servant of Ferdinand to the Emperor; but they have not hinted this to me, so I fancy they are not sure of it. A man of weight about the court told me that William des Barres lately passed through France in disguise to go to the Emperor; also that a captain, Gabriel Lorraine, sent by Mons. Distein (D'Isselstein), has been here to offer his service to the King, with 6,000 lanceknights, and that the King had refused him, saying that he had some dispute with the Emperor, although not at open war,

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and that he had enough of good men in his own kingdom. All these things they have kept perfectly secret. The Spaniard* whom the Queen sent to the Emperor fell at Abbeville and broke an arm; six days afterwards they sent another, and had asked letters from me for his access to the court, which they have not yet come for, I know not why.

Wolsey told me some days ago that Mons. Bryant had in his letters expressed much satisfaction at some camp-beds which Francis had got made to send hither, and that the King also was very glad, and wished them sent forward. He desired me to write to you about it, without indicating that it came from him. The ambassador of Hungary has spoken with the Legate, who at first found his overtures rather hard, fearing that if the duke of Saxony or the landgrave of Hesse were elected emperor, trouble might arise in Christendom, they being Lutherans. The ambassador, however, has satisfied both him and Campeggio; but Wolsey assures me that though they have given their approval to his scheme they will not give him a single crown piece. I replied that I took this refusal as friendly (*pour accord*), since he delivered it to me himself and beforehand, and I went no further till I should hear from you. London, 12 Jan.

P.S.—Begs him to write more frequently for the satisfaction of the English, and to take care not to spoil anything, or let any one deceive them.

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12 Jan. **5164.** JOHN HACKET to [BRIAN TUKE].

Galba, B. IX. 142. B. M.

Wrote last on the 2nd inst., enclosing a copy of a supplication by the nation of Spain for the recovery of damage done by Frenchmen in the port of the Chamber in England. In his former letter, repeated the news he sent on the 24th ult., that the secretary, le Eleu Bayard, *was here with the lady Margaret and the Mons. de Hoghstrat secretly* for 10 days. By deliberation of some *secret counsel my Lady sends Rosimboz and Des Barres to the French king and the Regent to have the confirmation of them of all such articles as Bayard concluded here by virtue of his letters of credence; they have charge to pass thence to the Emperor in Spain, thinking by that means to make peace, unknown to the King or Wolsey.*

Has written several times about his own business and Harman's. Machlyng, 12 Jan. 1528.

Some lords here say they have news from England that *Wolsey* has preached openly in public *many great, scandalous and injurious words of the Emperor.* Answered that they were no evangelists who brought such reports. There are many here more inclined to speak ill than well.

Hol., pp. 2. *The former passage in cipher, deciphered.*

5165. [——— to WOLSEY.]

Cal. E. II. 192. B. M.

"Quod decedens R^mæ D. V. receperam ut q[uis sit] status rerum et quam vestrum de tota re consilium Chr^mo Regi meo satisfa[ciat promp]tissime perscriberem, hoc majore a me præstitum est intervallo, quod per hos . . . . . nihil certi constitutum esse videbam expectatione Rosselli vestri, in quem unum . . . . . vestrorum omnium consiliorum summam ac rationem et Rex vester Ser^mus et Illma D. [V.] conjeceritis." Both the King [Francis] and his mother intend to use Wolsey's advice. Thought it the better course to wait for Russell's arrival; but, this being deferred, the King desired him to anticipate it by writing to salute Henry and Wolsey. "Igitur sic habeat R^ma D. V. post adventum me[um] . . . . . bus rebus quas vel literis significandas regi meo vel decedenti istinc a v . . . . . illi exponendas man-

* Montoia.

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daverat, quum relatum quidem haud semel fuerit, multa . . . . . in præsentem necessitudinem præparata, habitus militum delectus, et nostratium . . . . rum et auxiliarium Germanorum, tum successor mihi ad vos designatus, a . . . . . fratris ad Pontificem profectio, tum omnia in adventum Rosselli esse rejecta, e . . . . . hos fines verti ut ita demum executioni demandentur, si consilium vobis n . . . . . cuerit, utque nisi vos Chr^mus Rex et Ser^ma mater, ubi rationem suam explicu[erint et] in sententiam adduxerint suam, parendum omnino statuerint fidelissimis [et] amantissimis consiliis vestris, quorum in authoritate sua omnia consilia, cu[ram], cogitationem, mentem denique omnem fixerint atque locaverint, seque t[ibi] commendarint atque tradiderint." Wrote to the King from England that Wolsey was suspicious in consequence of the journey of William des Barres to Spain. On arriving here learnt from his brother that the King and [his mother] were troubled by such reports, which had increased his illness. Proved to them that they should not suspect a king to whom they professed that they owed everything, next to God, and in whom their whole hope lay; that Wolsey also had pledged himself to a perpetual and sincere friendship. This reassured them, and they are ready for an occasion to testify their goodwill. Henry may persuade himself that these rumors are [the devices] of enemies to overturn their friendship. The herald who carried Francis's letters to the princes at Spires reports that Ferdinand, "frendentem et frementem," had suffered a repulse. He had almost [all] the votes on his side, and would have carried his point, if the princes had not seen from the herald's letters that he wished to follow the example of his brother the Emperor, and make a gain from another's crime and envy. Francis's ambassadors and letters have rendered everything there hostile to the Emperor and Ferdinand. An ambassador will be sent to Wolsey about this, as it is not safe to write. Is not certain how the Emperor's journey to Italy will turn out. He is busied about the preparations, but the time is not thought to be fixed. The German infantry whom [Francis] has raised have arrived here safe, to the number of 12,000. When they have joined the army in Italy with the men-at-arms, the Pope and Italy will have no cause to fear [the Emperor] ("C[æsare]"), chiefly because he will have no further hope of bringing Germans thither. Hopes to send him, either by the English or the French ambassadors, news which will please him, and cause him to approve the diligence of the King.

A letter has just come from St. Pôl, saying that he has crossed the Po with a good army.

Lat., copy by Vannes, pp. 4, mutilated.

5166. BRIAN TUKE to WOLSEY.

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Has just sent him letters received from Hercules, and now a servant of the Master of the Rolls has arrived with letters for Wolsey, and one to Tuke from Mr. Hacket, which he also sends, containing a further confirmation of the practices to be made between the French king and the Emperor for peace. Is occupied with such as bring money of the revenues. When I receive the minutes and writings "that your Grace commanded me," and have given some order about the receipt of the money, I will repair to you. London, Wednesday.

P.S.—Hears from Calais that this bearer was fain to tarry long by reason of the storms.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* "To my lord Legate's good grace." *Endd.:* "A letter of Master Tuke's." *Endd. in a modern hand:* "Letters to the Cardinal from Charles duke of Suffolk.—And from the Scottish Borders touching preparations in Scotland against England, &c."—"Item, some Irish advertisements.—Quere.—Scr. 10 April 1613."

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12 Jan. R. O. **5167.** SANDYS, ROBT. WINGFIELD, R. WESTON, NIC. HEUSSEY and CHR. HALES to HENRY VIII.

Wrote last, on the eve of Epiphany, of their meeting with the duke of Vendosme at Margysyn. Have lost no time in taking musters, and considering the houses necessary to be repaired and fortified at Calais and Guisnes, searching for provisions, &c. Have been assisted by Sir Wm. Skevyngton, master of the ordnance. Think that the best way to fortify them is with men and victual, as the timber, which must come from England, and other things from Flanders, are not ready. The time of year is unseasonable for working with stone, and the places must be first "disgarnished," to their great danger. If the King is sure of a truce or peace the places are well enough provided with the men resident, and with victuals for four or five months. Guisnes Castle, 12 Jan. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

13 Jan. Vesp. F. XIII. 135. B. M. **5168.** WILLIAM LORD SANDYS and others to WOLSEY.

Although they have reported their proceedings from time to time, by letter, have desired Sir William Skevyngton, master of the ordnance, to report what he himself has seen, in viewing and determining the fortifications to be made in these parts. Guisnes, 13 Jan. *Signed:* Wyllm. Sandys—Wyngffeld R. Sr. (Sir Robt. Wingfield)—Richard Weston—Sir Nichollas Heussey—Christopher Hales.

P. 1. To my lord Legate's grace. *Sealed. Endd.:* "Letters from my lord Sandis and others the King's commrs."

13 Jan. R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. I. 332. **5169.** EDW. BAXTER, Merchant Venturer, to CROMWELL.

Has two sons beyond sea at school, and wishes to provide for one of them some good spiritual living, "to be God's servant and a man of Church." Understands that Cromwell is in great favor with Wolsey, and asks him to obtain from his Grace some substantial promotion for one of his said sons. Will bear all the charges, and do to Wolsey and Cromwell such pleasure as they shall devise, according to the value of the promotion. Wishes for an answer by the bearer. Newcastle, St. Hilary's Day. "Your assured own unacquaynted, Edward Baxter, merchant venturer."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c., Master Thos. Cromewell, servant to my lord Cardinal's grace. At London. *Endd.*

13 Jan. **5170.** For the PRIOR and CONVENT OF SS. PETER AND PAUL, SHREWSBURY, Cov. and Lich. dioc.

Congé d'élire upon the resignation of Richard, the last abbot. Richmond, 13 Jan.

Pat. 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 12.

P. S. 2. Petition for the above, presented by Thos. Butler, prior, and Thos. Leche, monk, of the said convent. On 14 December the late abbot's resignation was read by the bishop of Coventry and Lichfield. 18 Dec. 20 Hen. VIII.

14 Jan. Cal. E. II. 111. B. M. **5171.** SIR ROBERT WINGFIELD to BRIAN TUKE.

Received today his letter, dated London, 12th inst., with the adjoined packet directed to Master H[acket], to whom he immediately wrote, and sent on the packet by post. Doubts not Tuke will have an answer shortly. Thanks him, in the name of the commissioners his colleagues, for sending

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word that the letters from him, the Lord Chamberlain, and others, have been received. If what Tuke writes about Vendosme's interview with the Lord Chamberlain and [Wingfield] at Margysyn is true, fears "there is some pad in the straw," for he has seen a letter from Paris, of the v . . inst., written by one who seems not to be ignorant, which states that the French king will either recover his children by force, or do otherwise for their recovery, as he and the Emperor will agree. The bruit is in Flanders that a truce with France has been agreed on for 18 [months], and that a marriage will be had between Mons. de Rewys and Mo[ns.] de Vendosme's daughter; wherefore [the reports] "so much discrepants causeth me to doubt that tr[uth] shall be found in some corner, which and shall prove . . . . . displeasure or damage to the King and his realm . . . . . take place more patiently." Returned . . . . . before yesterday from Guysnes and Hampnes, which places, [as well as] this town, if they could speak, would cry ou[t upon] the King and his council, specially if war sh[ould take] place, because the fortifying and repairing has [been] delayed till this time of year. Will not say more about this, as Tuke has seen their last letter to the King. Has just [received] out of Brabant news that the Emperor will have [war] with France, and that Mons. de Rewx and Sir George Schenke . . . . . of Fryse have raised 5,000 lanceknights, howbeit th[ere is no] speech at Antwerp or in Zealand of breach between the king of England and the Emperor.

English merchants there are marvellously well treated, and [have] sold their cloths better at this mart than they did. They have liberty to buy all manner of [merchan]dysys at their pleasure. Though all these tokens are to good purpose, the world is so unsteadfast nowadays, that he does not know who is best to be trusted; "wherefore it is [fit] w[e] turn us to the Prince of Steadfast[ness, praying Him to] stablish the hearts of princes in perfect pays [and amity among] themselves, or else I fear that or this year be e[nded there] shall be so many and so great storms of war in Criste[ndom], that by the mean it shall take more harm and . . . . . than shall may be repaired in many years after." Calais, 14 Jan. 1528.

Hol., pp. 3. *The latter part at f.* 117. *Add.*

15 Jan. R. O. **5172.** Sir Rob. Wingfield to Tuke.

Wrote last yesterday. Has received from him a packet of letters from Hacket, written at Malines, 24th ult.; also, another letter from Sir John Stile, master of the Fellowship, written at Barow, 30 Dec.; and another from a third person, dated the 4th. Hacket complains he has had no answer from you or Wolsey since 6 Aug.; and that Thomas Lyeghis, factor, cannot have had the money. Begs Tuke will see to this. Calais, 15 Jan. 1528.

Hol. Add. and sealed. Endd.

15 Jan. R. O. **5173.** Margaret of Savoy to Henry VIII.

Writes to the bishop of Burgos, the Emperor's ambassador, to speak to Wolsey about certain proceedings of Sir Wm. Sandys against the pledges of Michael Lumbier and his company, merchants, subjects of the Emperor. Malines, 15 Jan. 1528. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

15 Jan. R. O. **5174.** The Same to Wolsey.

To the same effect. Malines, 15 Jan. 1528. *Signed and countersigned.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

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15 Jan. **5175.** LEE to WOLSEY.

R. O. I beg you will remember your words when I took my leave of you at Hampton Court, and that the things now committed to our charge may be concluded one way or other. As the voice runs that the Emperor will go into Italy, I beg I may not have to follow him. Valladolid, 15 Jan. 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's grace. *Endd.*

15 Jan. **5176.** FERDINAND OF AUSTRIA to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. xxi. 48. B. M. Credence for Charles of Burgundy lord [of Bredam and Lou]rgham, whom he sends as ambassador to the King. Inspruck, 15 Jan. 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1, *mutilated. Add.*

16 Jan. **5177.** INIGO DE MENDOZA to [CHARLES V.]

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 6. B. M. The King and his Council attach so much importance to the brief that the Emperor has, that they are trying by every means to get it into their hands. The King has made the Queen swear that she will do all she can to procure it, for which purpose she has been made to write a letter and protestation addressed to the Emperor, quite against her own will. However, she has sent a messenger named Montoia, instructed by word of mouth, to inform his Majesty of the whole affair. It was dangerous to give him a cipher, lest it should awake suspicion in France. Suggests that a copy of the brief be made in the presence of the English ambassadors and some bishops, for the confusion of those who take Henry's part. Hears from Rome of the supplication and protestation made by the ambassador to the Pope about this matter.

Three days ago there arrived a messenger from the Pope, and another from the king of England's ambassador there, and, so far as I can understand, the Pope does not mean to give a mandate for settling the cause here.

The King has told me that he has begun to lay the blame upon his Cardinal, who, he says, has not fulfilled his promises in the matter. All that he has done about it hitherto has been to desire the Pope and the King to frighten the Queen, so that she should of her own accord enter religion; nevertheless he has secretly intimated to this Legate (Campeggio) that if she refuse, no further use shall be made of the commission which he publicly bears, without a new mandate. The ambassador, moreover, writes from Rome, that if the Queen had sent power to make the same demand on her own account that he has done on behalf of the Emperor, the cause would already have been revoked to Rome.

Has done his best to solicit the Queen to this effect. But she neither can nor dare do it. Nevertheless, I think she will write in her own hand to the Pope, by which her wish may appear.

Touching the continuation of the truce with France, &c.

Wolsey is very ill pleased that the English ambassadors are away from the court, but the less he likes it the more reason there is for keeping them at a distance. Perhaps it would even be better if they were out of the kingdom.

The collector who came from there (Spain?) has reported that he had been told by persons of authority, that, if this war goes on, your Majesty might make a new king of England (*hechar este rey deste reyno*); and such was the fear they showed that the Cardinal told them in public, that, in order to irritate the English against the Emperor, he had conceded to them one thing that they had long asked for, that foreigners should not be allowed to keep any household except with English workmen, and that a number of Flemings had already been compelled to depart.

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Nothing is more necessary than that the Queen should get the cause revoked to Rome, as neither she nor the judges are free.

Modern copy of a decipher from the archives of Simancas. Spanish, pp. 5. *Headed:* De don Ynigo, a 16 de Henero 1529.

17 Jan. **5178.** WOLSEY to BRIAN, VANNES and GREGORY CASALE.

Vit. B. XI. 18. B. M.

After the departure of Brian and Vannes, Francis Campanus, the Pope's chamberlain, and Vincent Casale arrived here. Received from the latter their letters, with which the King is well pleased; but he marvels at their small diligence in going towards R[ome]. The said personages, though they were not sent in such haste, and were delayed in France, have made more diligence than they. They ought to have made some progress in their cause before the arrival of the card. Angell, general of the [Franciscans].*

In order that they may proceed the more earnestly, sends a copy of his letter to Mr. Secretary and Benet. Urges them to proceed with the matter. Franciscus Campanus will shortly return, and will tell Casale how pleased the King is with his conduct, and how well his kinsman is liked here. Richmond, 15 Jan.

P.S.—The King has determined to send Dr. Stephyns to Rome, instead of Mr. Secretary and Benet, who will wait for him at Lyons. Mr. Secretary will then return to reside in France, and Mr. Benet will go home. He will ride in post the whole way. They must make all possible progress, and conclude the "presydye" if they can. Richmond, 17 Jan. *Signed.*

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.. Jan. **5179.** WOLSEY *to* KNIGHTE and BENET.

Vit. B. XI. 20. B. M.

"Master Secretary and Mr. Benet." Has [received] by their chaplain, Sir Peter, the bearer, their letters of the 6th and 8th of this instant month of Ja[nuary], [one] subscribed by them and the Master of the Rolls, and the other by them alone, narrating their conferences with the French king and his mother, and with Vincent, kinsman of Sir Gregory de Casalis, concerning the Pope.

Is not a little perplexed at their letter, for they understand Vincent's sayings in a contrary sense. Their last instructions were based upon the Pope's fear of the Emperor, which was to be removed by the "presydye" and the truce. Repaired to the King, fearing he would be much displeased that they had fallen into such despair,—especially at their having sent to Brian and his colleagues for suspension of their instructions, and detained Thaddeus courier so long with the letters directing them to introduce the matter of the "presydye" to the Pope. Appeased the King as well as he could, but he marvelled as much as he had done at anything for many days. Both their instructions and Brian's provided a remedy for the Pope's fear, which Vincent affirmed to be the chief and only impediment to the King's purpose; and they could not, therefore, have had a better occasion for hope and courage, nor more confidence to accelerate their journey. Their instructions also distinctly set forth that the presydye would remove the Pope's fear, and, by showing the determination of these two princes, would have put the Emperor in no little dread, which was all that Vincent said was necessary to attain the King's desire from the Pope. In proof of the Pope's affection he has sent Francesco Campana to declare that he is ready to do not only all that of law, justice, and equity can be required of him, but also as much as he can do *ex plenitudine potestatis;* and although he specially regards the indiction of a General Council, the Emperor's descent into Italy, and the restitution of his towns, which he is offered through the Emperor, still no perils will prevent his doing all he can for the King, "but would if he might know that [the

* Francis Quiñones, who was called de Angelis, cardinal S. Crucis.

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resigning] of the papality might confer to the conducing of the K[ing's purpose], be contented for the sincere love that he beareth unto h[is Highness,] rather than fail, to do the same. As for the prince . . . . . his Holiness not only tendereth specially and entirely . . . . . becometh the common Father to do to all such noble . . . . . of Christendom," but also for his virtues and his merits towards the Church and himself; he was also desirous to know of the progress of the cause, thinking that Wolsey and Campeggio had proceeded right far in the examination and decision thereof, with many other loving and kind demonstrations.

Although they did not know of this despatch of the Pope's chamberlain, still there was matter enough for them to have continued their journey, knowing the importance of the business, which admits of no negative, and the confidence with which they were selected. Assures them that whereas the King before their departure was in firm hope to have his desire liberally and speedily granted, "now [he finds] that at the coming of the said Vincent from . . . . . Rome there was none other matter there proposed on the [King's part] by Sir Gregory de Cassalys, but only the marvel th[at his] highness, at the first coming of my lord legate Campegius conceived, that he so much dissuaded the divorce and showed himself strange from the King's purpose, and that the Pope's holiness upon that only knowledge hath made so lov[ing] a depeche unto the King's highness, his Grace in manner as . . . . . himself, as there is good cause that Sir Francis Bri[an and] his colleagues before and you soon after coming with this . . . . . a matter unto the Pope's holiness whereof never hithert[o] . . . . . hath there been made, and whereby the fear that his [Holiness] is or might be in shall be removed, and all othe[r] . . . . . to follow, which may make to the Pope's purpo[se] . . . . . there is in manner a perfect surety that he shall w[ithout] difficulty, the matters being substantially handled . . . . . of the best of the degrees by you to be desired, se[eing that the] Pope's holiness, who, the three respects of General Co[uncil, the] descent of the Emperor into Italy, and the facile recovery [of the] pieces aforesaid remaining, hath showed himself s[o stead]fast and friendly by his own offer unto the furtherance of the [King's] cause, shall not fail, the same by declaration of your instruc[tions] and letters aforesaid removed, not only without further difficulty to embrace the same, but also most highly to give lauds and thanks to Almighty God, and to the kings, for the inventing of so perfect and assured a remedy and expedient far above his hope or expectation."

On their arrival with the Pope, which they must hasten as much as possible, they must begin by thanking his Holiness for the message sent by his chamberlain, and assuring him of the King's intention to stick to him in prosperity and adversity, and his zeal for the defence and honor of the Pope and of the Holy See. They must then speak of the three respects before mentioned, showing the King's devices for the Pope's weal, which will be a good introduction to the matter of the presydye; and having opened to him the taking upon him to manage the negotiations for peace, his repair to Nice, the assembly of the princes there to treat, and the perpetual establishment of the common army on the Emperor's refusal, they shall say that hereby all his doubts as to the Emperor's coming into Italy will be removed; for the Emperor, seeing his Holiness so assured, will rather accept the truce, and repair to the place of convention, or else, refusing the sai[d truce], will be compelled to remain for the defence of Spain. As to the Genera[l Council], when these things are thus set forth, there will be no colour for such a thing, and it cannot be [held] if the Pope, the King and [the French] king do not consent.

They must show him also what has been done by the two Kings for the

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recovery of the Pope's pieces, by which means his Holiness cannot fail to recover them surely and for a continuance; whereas nothing that can be had by the Emperor can be sure, for it is evident that all his acts tend to the injury of the Pope and the Holy See; and his Holiness may be sure that the Emperor, when he saw his time, would take from him in one day as much as he could give him in a year. The doubts respecting the three things spoken of by the Chamberlain are hereby entirely removed. They must thus attempt to remove his fears, and draw him from the Emperor unto these two Princes, which is the way for them to conduce the remainder of their charge. Desires them to cast away any doubt they may conceive of the French king's untowardness to the truce or to the contribution; for Mr. Secretary, who well knows the strangeness of princes to new overtures, may well think that such difficulty was only shown for some other purpose, especially to induce the King to contribute to his war towards Spain, to which the King is not bound unless both truce and peace [fail] by the Emperor's fault, but if the King accepts the truce, the French king will of necessity do so. They need make no mention to the Pope of any difficulty made by the French king.

As to the Pope's coming to Nice, both Campeggio and the Chamberlain affirmed that he would not refuse a much greater thing, so that they must not so easily give place to the [French] king's sayings and doings, nor to other contrar[y reports] that may arise. If the King thought that they, after proposing their charge, would wade no further, but take any answer, it were in vain for him to send such special and elect persons, whom he hath tried purposely to persist *viis et modis, opportune et importune*, and in any way to attain their object; but Sir Gregory, or any other person [pre]sent, might have been instructed by letters to do that or much more.

The King and he both trust that they will substantially look to their charge, and not abandon it for one or two refusals, for they know how cold and dull the Pope is. They must stick long upon the obtaining of the decretal, and, if that fails, proceed to the other degrees of their instructions, leaning always to the best that may be attained. Although the Pope will perhaps easily incline to grant a dispensation that the King may *convolare ad secundas nuptias cum legitimatione prolis ex secunda uxore suscipiendæ*, if the Queen will enter religion or vow chastity, as it seems by what Campeggio says, they must be well ware of conforming thereto, and abandoning the better degrees. The Pope might consent to it to stop their suits, for it must needs take a long time to find out what the Queen will [do], but the King thinks that she will never consent thereto. They must not, therefore, consent to this, unless they can attain nothing else, for it is to be feared it would be little better than nothing. Nevertheless, if, failing all [other] ways, they perceived that any [doubt] that the Pope "might be in of the Qu[een's consent] to enter religion might encourage him the . . . . . the decretal with promise that first the utt[ermost means] be experimented that conveniently might be to [cause the Queen] to enter into religion, and that failing . . . . . the decretal to be put in execution. It were . . . . . hurt, though, if ye could do no better, ye after that . . . . . having the decretal withal to be used as afore shu[ld] the sooner admit that degree; but surely unless it were . . . . . sooner to obtain the decretal, or that ye could by no [other] means possible attain any better degree, it shall be [to] little purpose, or none, as it is verily thought, to take this." They must consider the difficulty or even impossibility of bringing the Queen to such religion or vow of chastity, and order their doings accordingly. Does not doubt their having good expedition, especially if his Holiness accept the presidy, which was devised not only to please the Pope and the French king, but also for furtherance of the King's causes. They need not, therefore, be so scrupulous as to fear that either the French ambassadors or others perceiving their overtures would think that the device

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proceeded not totally for their cause, for it is right that when a prince does a kindness to another he should expect some benefit for himself. "*And as ye know and was declared to you in counsel, one of the things noted to be much to the avancement of the King's cause was that the Pope's Holiness, taking this presidy, should thereby be brought to have as much fear and respect towards the King's highness as he now hath towards the Emperor, and consequently be the gladder to grant and condescend unto the King's desire, though ye were ordered to show the French king it was devised chiefly for his sake, and to tee . . . . the Pope that it was invented principally for his surety, and yet it forseth not though they both think [that it were] don partly for the benefit of the King's cause . . . . . .*"

Sends to them letters to John Joachim, with a copy, as the French king is sending him to Rome to further the King's cause.

Casale's search for the bull in the [register] of pope Julius has been unsuccessful. There is, therefore, little likeness that any such brief was passed. It is to be feared, however, that those who forged the brief may falsify the record. They have now full instructions, and he urges them to acquit themselves according to the expectation had of them. If they fail it is evident that the Pope does not proceed sincerely or justly with the King, or as a good father of the Church. In this case they are instructed "wh[at] . . . . . by protestation and otherwise for declaration of the . . . . . determination and intent whereunto the King's highness [would] be as loth to proceed as ever was prince christened," if the urgent necessity and the weal of his person and realm did not force him thereto.

They may assure the Pope that if he assists the King his Highness will never forget his obligation, in prosperity or adversity. Writes also to Brian, Vannes, and Casale, enclosing a copy of these, lest, upon Knight and Benet's letters, they should forbear to conclude the presidy, which should not be retarded, considering the arrival of the general of the Observants, and other Imperial agents in Italy, who are urging the Pope not to grant anything that may tend to the divorce.

"A post scripta is put hereunto to command Mr. Secretary and Mr. Benet, the premises notwithstanding, to tarry at Lyons till Mr. Stephens come."

Copy by Tuke, pp. 18, *mutilated. There is a mutilated decipher of the passage in cipher in the margin.*

5180. [WOLSEY to SOME CARDINAL AT ROME.]

Vit.B.XII.157. B. M. Pocock, I. 187.

* * * * * They are making great efforts to have a sight of the original brief in order to pronounce some decision upon it. For that purpose the Queen has been induced to send to the Emperor to ask for it in her own name. He is to entreat the Pope to write to the Emperor, and demand the production of the original within a given time, as delays are prejudicial, and great suspicions exist. They are anxious to have their own opinion of the matter justified, and if your Lordship can do anything towards augmenting those suspicions, and make the truth appear, the King will be most grateful to you. You may be supplied with any sum of money necessary for prosecuting the inquiry, and discovering how this brief was procured. To delay sentence on a vain and suspicious brief is unjust and perilous to this kingdom.

Lat., draft, mutilated.

5181. CLEMENT VII. to [CAMPEGGIO].

Vit.B.XII.164. B. M. Pocock, I. 184.

Whereas it has come to the Pope's knowledge that the whole controversy of the divorce has turned upon the insufficiency of the dispensation found in the English State Paper office, and that the Queen has exhibited

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the copy of a brief, of which the original is in Spain, but not found in England, respecting the genuineness of which great doubts are entertained; we authorise you to reject whatever evidence is tendered in behalf of this brief, as an evident forgery, and to proceed according to the tenor of our previous letters.

Lat. Endd. in same hand at f. 177 *b:* Minuta commissionis decretalis. *The order of the folios is interrupted by a blank leaf at f.* 167, *and again after f.* 168, *from which the text will be found continued at f.* 176.

Vit.B.xii.150. B.M. 2. Another draft of the same, with the conclusion somewhat altered. The conclusion is printed in Pocock, I. 186.

17 Jan. **5182.** [TAYLER to WOLSEY.]

Cal.D.x.379. B.M. "[Please] it your Grace to understand [that . . . . . Mr. Secre]tarie and Mr. Benet in all things acc[ording to what was reso]lved in the French court, took their via[ge] . . . . . Thadeum the post before them in good dilig[ence] . . . . . And because Mr. Secretary had moved un[to] . . . . . to send into Scotland to let their ambassadors . . . . . should go into Spain. The King and M[adame] . . . . . the said matter called unto them the du[ke of Albany, and] communicated substantially with the said Du[ke because he] knew the nature of the Scots. So at that [time it was] thought, both by the King, Madame his mother, ... that it was, for the shortness of the time, best . . . . . should send a gentleman of his into Scotland, th . . . . . to your Grace, through England, with letters from th . . . . . declaring to your Grace the mind and intent of the Fr[ench king in that] cause; so that likewise the King's highness and your Gr[ace should be] instruct of the said French king's will and mind, [that then your] Grace might add or diminish as it should seem [meet], and according to the purpose, to the King's h[ighness] and your gracious contentation and intent, and if the . . . . . with safe-conduct passing into Scotland be not accep[table] in Scotland, according to his instructions, nor speed in [the matter] wherefore he is sent, and that the Scots, not regardy[ng the proposals] to them made, but obstinately follow their sensual . . . . . ryng to acquire new amities and feigned promise . . . . . the faithful admonitions and fruitful counsel o[f their allies] and confederates; than (then) the Duke in his own p[erson, with the] authority of the Parliament of all Scotland . . . . . and the realm of Scotland, shall come by . . . . . master, and of the French king, and your . . . . . in all his doings, and nothing d . . . . . go into Scotland, and if * * * . . . . . [r]enounce his protection and all such . . . . . of the Parliament; and further to . . . . . [as your Gr]ace shall advise him to do. Thus said . . . . . the 14th of Jan., and further showed [me of his intent to send] to England Mons. Doartie, and bring pres[ents to the King's highnes]s and your Grace, the which I trust shall the shor[tlier be despatched. On the] 14th day came tidings that one Tibaldus, of the . . . . . slain Andreas Doria, the which, if it be true, ... shall be informed. Furthermore I saw letters th . . . . . [from the a]mbassador of Florence confirming the death of Andr[eas Doria, a]nd that the 27th of December the card. S. Crucis . . . . . *per agrum Senensium dissimulato habitu*, with two servants, and is at Rome, as more largelier, I doubt no[t, your Grace] is informed from our ambassadors there.

The prince of Orange is declared vice le roy of Naples . . . . . and general governor of Italy for him. I hear nothing . . . . . Philip nor John Curson that should go into Spain . . . . . ."

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18 Jan. **5183.** HENRY VIII. to GARDINER, BRYAN, G. DE CASALE and VANNES.

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St. P. VII. 145. Commission for arranging a peace, in conjunction with Francis I., with the Pope, for the tranquillity of Italy, and the contingents of soldiers, pay, &c., for defence of the Pope's person. Richmond, 18 Jan. 1528. *Signed.*

Lat., parchment.

R. O. 2. Three modern copies of the above.

5184. STEPHEN GARDINER to [THOMAS] ARUNDEL.

R. O. "Gentle Master Arundel, by these letters I shall take you by the hand, and bid you most heartily farewell, supplying that which I could not yesterday do, as well for that ye waiting upon my Lord's grace, and I hasted to repair hither, were suddenly sundered, as also that in very deed my stomach would not suffer me so to do; but though I depart from you in body, I depart not in mind and soul, which, considering it may be where I list, ye may be well assured it shall be ever where you be during my life, wheresoever this body shall fortune to wander. As knoweth God, who send you most heartily well to fare. At Westm., this morning. Entirely your own, Steven Gardyner."

Hol., p. 1.

18 Jan. **5185.** JOHN SANDIS to WOLSEY.

R. O. Arrived at Mons. St. Pôl's camp the day before Pavia was assaulted, when nothing was done that Wolsey has not heard of already. The famine is continued, and no man is so strong but he is brought in danger of death by extreme sickness. Thought he should never have been able to do his duty. Came to the court on Christmas eve. There is no news but of the marriage between count Genever, brother to the duke of Savoy, and Madame de Longeville, sister to the Duke. Letters arrived on the 12th, saying that Andro Dore and Antone de Levar were both dead. On the 15th, "the littell Katillion" died, for whom the King and la Regente made great moan. Yesterday the King departed to Normandy, to a house of the Grand Seneschal's, called Anneyt, and it is said he will go thence to Bleis. Asks Wolsey to pardon his rude writing. Would not have presumed to write unless ordered. Begs Wolsey to obtain something for him from the King, for he had nothing for the long time he served his Grace. St. Germains, 18 Jan.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Cardinal's grace. *Endd.*

18 Jan. **5186.** CROMWELL to GARDINER.

R. O.

Ellis, 3 Ser. II. 113. Asks him to tell Wolsey that he does not come now, because he has to finish certain deeds relating to the college at Ipswich; viz., Wolsey's grant of the monasteries of Felixstowe, Rumburgh and Bromehill; the King's patents assenting to their suppression, and to the Pope's exemption of the college; his licence for the impropriation of the benefices belonging to them; Norfolk's deed of gift to Wolsey of the monastery of Felixstowe; releases by the convent of Rochester of their title therein; by the convent of St. Mary's, York, of their title in Rumburgh; by the earl of Oxford of his title in Bromehill; and by the French queen and duke of Suffolk of their titles in Sayes Court, Byckeling, and the priory of Snape. Will finish them, and come up tomorrow night or Wednesday at noon, to ask Wolsey about sealing them. Since Wolsey was at Richmond, has been to Lyesnes. The Thames has overflowed the marshes there, and the last tide has made a new breach,

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destroying what will cost 300*l.* to repair. If he had not been there to encourage the workmen, all the previous expenditure would have been cast away, and the workmen would have left. Has set the work going again. A new assessment has been made to pay for it, and the college is assessed at 220*l.*, which must be paid at once, and he must ask Wolsey for it. Encloses a letter from one of the masters of the works. Is going thither immediately. London, 18 Jan. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Dr. Gardiner. *Endd.*

19 Jan. **5187.** PAUL CASALE to his Brother the PROTHONOTARY.

R. O. After you left we were all thrown into confusion, from fright of the death of the Pope. His Holiness was in such extremity that one night, about 8, the physicians, finding no pulse, gave him over for dead. Next morning he recovered. The disease is so diminished that the fever has now left him, and tonight his physicians will give him a purge. In the tumult Hippolito de Medici was created cardinal, much against the wish of the Pope, and has the archbishopric of Avignon. Doria was created cardinal by some intrigue. Bryan and Vannes, the English ambassadors, have arrived. Two others are expected. The famine is bad here. Rome, 19 Jan. 1529.

Copy, Lat., p. 1.

R. O. 2. Another copy. *Ital., p.* 1. *Endd.*

Vit. B. XI. 29. B. M. 3. A third copy. *Ital., p.* 1.

20 Jan. **5188.** HENRY VIII. to JACOBO SALVIATI.

R. O. Has heard from his ambassadors and others of Salviati's zeal for his service. Means to write to him frequently. Is sending Steph. Gardiner, LL.D., to the Pope, and has commissioned him to confer with Salviati on matters which concern the King's health of soul and body, the security of his kingdom, and the honor of the Papal See. Hamptoncorte, 20 Jan. 1528. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1. *In Vannes' hand. Add. Endd.*

20 Jan. **5189.** JOHN BISHOP OF LINCOLN to WOLSEY.

R. O. The Cistercian abbot of Thame died the 18th. There is no one fit to succeed him, and the house is greatly in debt. Wishes Wolsey to direct his letters to the abbot of Waverley, the visitor of the Cistercians, in favor of Dompne Kinge, abbot of Bruarne, D.D.; otherwise the house is undone. I am founder of the same monastery, and anxious to promote religion there. Woburn, 20 Jan.

P.S.—Has received from the visitor of Oxford notice of your intention to visit the university this Lent. They have deferred their act and commencement till your arrival.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

20 Jan. **5190.** RICE GRIFFITH to WOLSEY.

R. O. Has taken one John Sant, that slew a servant of Brereton's, of the privy chamber, and escaped into Carmarthenshire. At that time it was rumored in the Marches, near where the Prince's council lay about 12 months ago, that the King was dead. Sir Will. Thomas inquired into the matter, and found that the rumor had been first spread by Sant; on which writs for his arrest were sent to Thomas as sheriff. He was taken in a lordship of lord Audeley's, and committed to a neighbouring castle, from which he escaped; but the writer, knowing him to be "resetted," laid watch for him,

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and at length took him, at great cost to himself. Cayrewe, 20 Jan. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's grace. *Endd.*

20 Jan. R. O. **5191.** D. HALNATH (?) to the PRIOR OF THE CHARTERHOUSE, LONDON.

Condoles with him on the great mortality they have sustained by the pestilence, in which they have lost four priests and two lay brethren. Hopes they died devoutly, as he has known divers since he entered the Order, "which hath specially caused me to make this great labor to come to London again." Wrote to the Prior at Michaelmas, by the prior of Shene, to have leave to come to London, or else to Shene, to be professed, or else to be bound by the general chapter. Offered them two years' probation. Thinks the prior of Shene would have taken him, but was prevented by the priors of Hinton and Axholme. If these wishes are not complied with, desires to go to Witham, where several cells are vacant. Would prefer this to being made officer of any house in the North country, as he cannot stand cold, "and aparty Northern men's conditions." Begs the prior and father vicar to make no more labor to make him an officer in a strange house, for they make all the monks envy him, "and when the charter cometh, then I am put in *ad ordinis voluntatem*, which is a sentence rather of tyranny than of charity." Complains that Spencer wrote untruly. If they will not call him home, begs that he be sent to Shene or else to Witham, or, as a last resource, to Bevall. "I love to be southwards, and I hate bondage." Axholme, 20 Jan. 1528.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. With a heading, stating that the letter was written before the prior of Hinton's servant came to Axholme.*

20 Jan. Galba, B. IX. 143. B. M. **5192.** JOHN HACKETT to BRIAN TUKE.

Received yesterday his letter, dated 11th inst. As to the complaints of the Spaniards, has told my Lady of the trouble taken by Sir Edw. Gulforth to save them from their enemies, and the order taken by the King to discover who were the aggressors, and to do justice. My Lady answered that she did not doubt it, but thought the King might, if he pleased, set order that such violence should not be permitted within his jurisdiction, and the Spaniards thought to be as free there as here, during the truce, which is not yet expired; she will not allow the Low Countries to break first, and says that what is reported to the contrary of Beaureyn and others is wind and vanity. Sir John Steyl (Stile), governor of the Merchants Adventurers, to whom he sent his letters of Dec. 24, writes that he forwarded them to Mr. Wingfield at Calais; supposes Tuke has received them by this time. Has written lately by Occhoa de Salzedo, the Queen's servant. Has been separately informed by two men of credence that *the French king and the Regent* have a secret "conwoyans" with *my Lady and Hoghestrat* to make peace with the Emperor unknown to *the King* or *Wolsey*. It is necessary to tell *the King* and *Wolsey* of this in time. Would gladly come over and show *Wolsey* more at large. They want to exclude their friends from knowledge of their secret business, but if he is not commanded to come over he hopes to send more news in a few days. Has delivered Tuke's letter to Hesdyng, who was right glad thereof. Will do his best for the recovery of Tuke's chain. Does not wish to trouble Wolsey, but asks Tuke to tell him that he has eaten all his corn green, and it would be convenient to him if Wolsey would advance him the half year from time to time, or else he must set more water in his wine, and take patience. Will send by his next letter the wid . . . . of his patent.

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My Lady said last night that Madame de Pynnoy, who came lately from France, was told by the French king to show verbally to my Lady that the French king is willing to come to an agreement with the Emperor, and that if the Emperor and he were at agreement they would cause *the King* to leave some fantasy that he has afore him. To[ld] my Lady that it was indiscreetly spoken for a noble prince. She answered, "Mons. lembassateur, [vous] pues fer touts les plessyrs que vouldres aux Franschoys, mes alla fyn vous ne trouveres jam[ais] bon fondement." Asks Tuke to send Friar West here with good instruction, and to send money to pay for Sir Ric. Akerston's costs of prison. As to his extraordinary expences about Harman's process, will send the sum total when it is finished.

Wishes the money due to him to last Michaelmas to be paid to Thos. Legh's factor. Hesdyng desires to be recommended to Wolsey, and is about to send him two cross bows. Machlyng, 20 Jan. 1528.

The Emperor has here already 50 pieces of ordnance and 400 hagbushes to be sent to Spain. Thinks Mons. de Reux will conduct them.

Hol., pp. 4. *Add. Endd.:* Letters, &c., xii. Jan. *The passages in cipher deciphered by Tuke.*

21 Jan. **5193.** FRANCIS I. to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

Cal. D. x. 323. * * * * *

B. M. "... an qui est entre nous que comme de ..... parlant des affaires que j'ay comme..... vous sentissiez de luy et de mondit sieur [le Cardinal mon] bon amy, s'ilz sont pas tousjours en .... de ne me laisser ny habandonner au ..... par ledit Perot Douarty, je feray contin[uer] ..... en la forme que vous adviserez pa ..... mieulx pour le bien et conduicte de mes .... pendant, et leur ayant ouvert ledit propo[s, en toute diligence] qu'il vous sera possible vous m'adver[tirez] .... qui vous y sera faicte et de l'espiran ..... ensemble de toutes autres choses que vo[us] .... de pardela. Et sur ce je vous diray a[dieu, Mons.] de Bayonne."

St. Germain en Laye, 21 Ja[n.] *Signed.*

Badly mutilated.

21 Jan. **5194.** JOHN CASALE to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. xi. 29**. The Pope is dead. He was in good health when Casale left Rome.

B. M. He was taken ill at mass on the Epiphany, as Wolsey will see by the enclosed letters. Received today letters from the duke of Urbino from Pesaro, saying that he was dead. Will write more fully by the next courier. Is sorry he left the city, for he might have done something to prevent the election of an Imperialist.

However, his two brothers will do their best, and also Peter [Vannes] and his companion, whom he supposes to be at Rome, as they left Bologna on the 7th. Italian affairs are in the same state as at the departure of his cousin Vincent, except what has happened at Aquila, of which he encloses an account. Venice, 21 Jan. 1529. *The signature is pasted on the preceding page.*

Lat., p. 1.

22 Jan. **5195.** GARDINER to WOLSEY.

R. O. This Friday morning, wind and tide being favorable, I embarked for Calais, intending to go on with all diligence to Paris, and there await my letters. Dover, Friday, 21* Jan. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's good grace. *Endd.:* Doctor Stevyns, of the the (*sic*) 22d of Jan. *Sealed.*

* The only year during Wolsey's legateship and before his fall in which the 21st of January was a Friday was 1519. The 22nd was a Friday in 1529.

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23 Jan. **5196.** VILLIERS L'ISLE ADAM to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Has been late in his return to Nice, in consequence of illness, through which he was detained at Lyons 26 days. Has spared no pains in making provision for his Order. As Henry has professed his willingness to assist them, sends Antonio Bosio, who lately returned from Spain and Portugal, to tell the King what success he has met with, the liberality of these monarchs, and the state of their affairs in the East. Nice, 23 Jan. 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

23 Jan. **5197.** WILL. LORD SANDS to ———.

Cal. E. II. 112. B. M. Has received his letter, "whereby . . . . . disposition of troublous constellations for h . . . . . whereof I beseech Almighty God to extend his hand of . . . . . ."

Hears from the captain of Boulogne, and from his son John Sandes, that the county Seint Poule has written to the French court of the death of Andrew [Doria] and Antony Levar, whereby the Frenchmen esteem themselves at a great advantage, and the Emperor at so much hindrance. Shatillion is deceased, and is much lamented by the French [king] and Madame Regent.

Heard yesterday from Flanders that the captain of Tourneham reported that [the] cardinal of St. Jaques and his confederates endeavored to steal the Emperor's eldest [son], and bring him to the French king, for which [they] were taken, beheaded and quartered. The letter enclosed may be transported with the next. As yet keeps his [bed]; by reason whereof, for the season he cannot come. Desires to be recommended to the commissioners. Will come to him as soon as he can walk. Guisnes, 23 Jan. *Signed.*

P. 1, *mutilated.*

23 Jan. **5198.** SIR ROB. WINGFIELD to [TUKE].

R. O. Wrote yesterday, and sent you a packet from the Master of the Rolls. A messenger has returned from Hacket with a letter which you will receive. Whereas I told you I looked for my Lord Chamberlain's coming, you will see by his letter enclosed how the matter stands. As he is not likely to be here so soon as is necessary, Master Halys shall pass to him tomorrow; for he and Sir Ric. Weston would be glad to be gone on account of the term. Our commission stretches to so many things that we cannot attend to them all. Will be glad, when the term is ended, if the solicitor were sent over again. Great diligence will be required, especially as love and trust are decayed in all Christendom. After I had despatched my letter Dr. Stephen arrived, of which Tychett did advise you. Calais, 23 Jan. 1528.

P.S.—"In these ye shall receive a letter directed to my lord Legate from John Sandes."

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Cal. D. x. 311. B. M. " . . . . . ces aultres articles contenuz tant en vostre [lettre que en celle de] Mons. le Legat, mon bon amy, devo[ient] . . . . . raisons et recors que sur ce il vous a alleguez . . . . . de conclurre et parfaire la chose le plus à mon [honneur] que faire se pourroit, vous l'en remercyrez [de ma part] le plus affectionnement qu'il vous sera possible, [et aussi] luy ferez entendre que je trouve les choses conte[nues en icelles] tres justes et raisonnables pour les raisons [exprimees] en vostre dite lettre, ne croyant qu'il y eust grande diffic[ulté de] . . . . . et arrester les choses sy une foiz elles estoie[nt] . . . . . et achemynées pour estre

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les principalles diff[icultés] . . . . . sy estoient derreniere-
ment trouvées du tout vuyd[ées et] hors de dispute, parquoy la ou il se
trouver[a quelque chose] de les offrir et proposer en lieu la ou il y eust
[pouvoir] souffisant de les accepter, et en ce faisant de [deliberer] et arrester
le faict de la dite paix, je seray tous[jours d'accord] qu'ilz soyent offers et
mis en avant; et puis que l'advis . . . . . dudit Roy mon bon frere
et perpetuel allye et de mondit [sieur le Legat] mon bon amy est tel que
suivant iceulx l'on conclue . . . . . car pour ung sy grant
et si necessaire bien a . . . . . l'on ne me verra jamais refuser
condicion honnes[te qui a este] conseillée et confortée par mondit sieur
le Ca[rdinal] . . . . . vous pourrez semblablement dire que . . .
. . . . . mieulx traicter, conclurre et pa . . . * *
* * . . . . Roy mon bon frere et perpetuel al[lye] . . . . . .
. . . . . uniement sans separacion comme je . . . . . .
. . . . il ne me sauroit advenir chose dont tant je . . . . . .
à mondit sieur le Cardinal, mon bon amy, de ceste la . . . . . que de plus
pres me touche . . . . . tre quelle . . . . . parquoy vous
le p[rierez] de ma part vouloyr en . . . . . de excogiter tous
les mes . . . . . les honnestes mo[yens que] luy semblera devoyr tenir
[pour] mener la chose à bonne [conclusion] en cestuy affaire, qui est com-
mung et general pour le bien [de toute] la Chrestienté, de traval, soing et
sollicitude que je sçay [que de] bon cueur il a accoustumé prandre pour mes
affaires par . . . . . comme j'en ay en luy une parfaicte et entiere fiance
. . . . . pour y parvenir il est question d'accorder et arres[ter]
. . . . . de la tresve generalle comme vous le m'escripvez par vostre dite
. . . . . ung, quatre, ou cinq moys, encores qu'il n'y ait personne
. . . . . t d'interest que moy je suis bien d'advis que en mectant . . .
. . . . . ladite paix en termes, il se parle semblablement de la . . . .
. . . pour l'amour dudit Roy mon bon frere et de mondit sieur [le] Legat
mon bon amy, et pour plus facillement et seurem[ent] . . . . . .
pouvoyr traicter et cappituller les choses je seray tres content . . . . . .
. . . . . de conclurre et accorder, pourvu qu'elle se face pour ceste
seulle [occa]sion et que les choses demeurent en l'estat quelles son[t] . . .
. . . . . ement de la dite tresve pour empescher que cepen-
dant l'Empereur ne . . . . . [Au demou]rant, Mons. de Bayonne, j'ay
veu et bien noté apr . . . . . lettre et la
depesche qui a esté faicte" * * *
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5200. [Francis I. to the Bishop of Bayonne.]

Cal. D. x. 312.
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". . . . . pour souffrir ne parmectre . . . . . .
. . . . . e qui y saiche engendrer doubte ne s . . . . . .
quant à moy, j'ay bien ceste seureté et . . . . . son
bon sens, prudence et grande experience . . . . . convenir
de chose sy cautelleusement . . . . . mise en avant comme
est ceste-la sans f . . . . . que la fin et intencion pour
laquelle elle est . . . . . est proposée n'est pour autre
raison que p . . . . . dessus et pour prolonger et
gaigner le temps . . . . . à celle fin d'empescher que à ceste
nouvelle sais[on] . . . . . n'essayons à plus vivement le rechercher
que [n'avons] encores faict, comme je voy qu'il sera force n . . . . . .
de faire qui le vouldra faire, venir et condescendre . . . . . ce qu'il
me semble se devoir faire, mais que . . . . . roidement et de
telle sorte qu'il congnoisse [quelle] puissance ont les forces jointes et unyes
de [deux] grans roys et si bien alliez comme nous som[mes, le Roy] mon
bon frere et perpetuelle allye et moy . . . . . pourroit par adventure

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par cy apres desd . . . . . autrement sentyes qu'il a faict jusqu[es a ce qu'il] prandroit à sy grant gl . . . . * * *
. . . . siste encores que ce ait esté . . . . . permission de Dieu que par la vertu . . . . . ministres, comme chacun a peu veoir et cong[noistre, luy] advisant que de ma part je suis deliberé d'y [pourvoir] entierement tout ce qui sera en mon pouvoir sans [rien] y espargner, car Dieu mercy je n'ay moins le moy[en de le] faire que je l'avoys au commencement de l'année passée . . . . . que ledit Roy mon bon frere de sa part ne sera . . . . . volonté de luy faire sentir et congnoistre sa force . . . . . faire, et qu'il est tenu et obligé de faire, et jesp[ere que en] ce faisant et le tastant en chose qui luy soit pl[us] . . . . . que l'Ytallye, que nous le reduyrons et ramenerons [à la] raison et à ce que tant nous devons desirer, et pour au . . . . . le terme n'est long d'icy à l'achevement de la tresve . . . . . à expirer en Fevrier, il me semble de ceste heure estre [besoin] de parler des choses dessusdites et de la deliberacion en quoy vo[us] trouverez ledit Roy mon bon frere de se preparer à faire la guerre cest esté, et ou et de quelle sorte il seroit d'advis et oppinion de la faire, ne se trouvant moyen de parvenir à ladite paix pour l[a conclu]sion de laquelle, quelque chose qu'il y ait, je ne su . . . . . y dit pour jamais refuser ny re . . ." * * *

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. . Jan. **5201.** [FRANCIS I.] to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

Cal. D. x. 302. B. M.

"[Mons. de] Bayonne, Mons. de Vaulx, Jehan Joaquin . . . . . faict de la part de nostre Sainct Pere plusieurs . . . . . la principalle de mectre paine accorder toutes . . . . . en Italye, pour apres les avoyr unyes, faire . . . . . Sainctete les seigneurs, potentatz, et communaultez dicelle . . . . . chef nostre Sainct Pere, et en laquelle le roy d'Angle[terre mon bon] frere et perpetuelle allye et moy seroient contracte[urs] . . . . qu'il m'a tousjours semble et faict encores qu'il . . . . . moyen de rompre les desseings et entreprinses [de l'Empereur et] d'avoir toute l'Ytallie contre luy et luy faire la gu[erre] de pardeca, ainsy que de pieca je l'ay faict remons[trer aux] ambassadeurs Italyens estans icy en la presence de . . . . . pour lors ambassadeur dudit Roy mon bon pere a . . . . . a ceste cause expedie icelle de Vaulx avec pouvoir et . . . . . aux Venitiens, Fleurentins, duc de Millan et de Ferrare . . . . . afin, si faire se peult une si saincte et saluta[ire] . . . . . ainsi que pourrez veoir par le double que je vo[us envoye] par Perot Douarty, a celle fin de les communicquer . . . . . audit Roy mon bon frere et perpetuel allye, [et a Mons. le] Cardinal mon bon amy, laquelle je ne faiz . . . . . auront pour tres agreable, veu mesmement . . . . . comprandre de leur volente, par les le . . . . . [jus]ques icy escriptes. Et * * * *

"[Au de]meurant, Mons. de Bayonne, je vous [advertis que de]puis quatre ou cinq jours icy arrive deux de . . . . . Marguerite, l'un nomme Rozimbos, l'autre Guillau[me des Barres] son secretaire, lesquelles, a ce quilz m'ont dit [a l'audience que] je leur ay ce jour d'huy baillee, sont venuz avec [charge de leur] maistresse de me remonstrer les attemptatz qu[i ont este] faictz au prejudice de la tresve nagueres conclutte . . . . . et qui vient prochainement d'expirer, demandant . . . . . en estre faicte selon que les cas le requerroient . . . . . d'adventaige nouvelle proclamation se feist de la dite [tresve] selon le placcart qu'ilz ont apporte, dont je vous [envoye] le double ; vous priant, Mons. de Bayonne, faire . . . . . bien entendre au Roy mon bon frere et perpetuel [allye] et a mondit sieur le

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Cardinal mon bon amy, ausquelz je [ne vueil] estre aucune chose sellee, mesmement des communica[tions] que telz gens auront pardeca, estant seur quilz m . . . . ront . . . . . mauvais que ladite proclamacion se face en la sorte q . . . . . je la vous envoye, comme dit est, veu qu'elle contient aucun . . . . . et qu'ilz ne fere . . . . . difficulte de leur couste d'ainsy le faire, ne voullant . . . . . er de vous dire, que apres qu'ilz m'ont en faict les . . . . . es dessusdites et prenant conge de moy * * * . . . . . ses en Espaigne pour les affaires par . . . . . [il] me semble n'estre inconvenient de leur accord[er] . . . . . danger que je voy en leur dit passaige.

"Au surplus, Mons. de Bayonne, je vous vueil bien [advertir de ce] qui m'est survenue puis trois jours de la grie[ve maladie] de nostre Sainct Pere, laquelle par les lettres . . . . . du dix, unze, quatorze et seizeyesme de . . . . . [est] tousjours alle en empirant, tant que finable[ment, comme] jay veu par advertissement venu a mon cousin le [comte de] Sainct Pol du duc d'Urbin, que le xix^e il . . . . . de vye a trespas, qui est nouvelle telle [et de si grande] consequence, qu'il me semble que l'on doit pens[er] . . . . . ce qui sera affaire en ceste matiere. Pour . . . . . de toute la Chrestiente, et pour ce qu'il est bien b . . . . . que Mons. le Cardinal bon mon amy, lieue . . . . . use de son accoustumee prudence a regarder . . . . . ce qui sera a faire en ceste endroict, po[ur] . . . . . que les choses ne tumbent aux inconveniens . . . . . par le passe. Vous le prierez a ceste . . . . . vueille travailler et mectre toute . . . . . chercher et trouver le * * * . . . [te]nir la main et m'employer de sorte . . . . . si faire se peult une paix generalle en l . . . . . en a de besoing, ce que je ne voy chose dif . . . . . faisant chacun de son couste comme j'ay entrepri[ns de faire du] myen, et que je scay estre l'intencion du [Roy mon bon] frere et perpetuel allye, et de mondit sieur le [Cardinal] mon bon amy, desquels vous mectrez paine den[tendre] les oppinions et advis, a celle fin de m'en advertir en [toute] dilligence, pour sellon iceulx me savoir en ceste [chose] guyder et conduire. Et actendant par Perot Douart[y que] je feray partir dens deux jours, pour leur faire plu[s] amplement et particullierement entendre toutes cho[ses] ainsi quelles seront survenues, je vous diray seull[ement] pour fin de lettre que j'ay ja commance a faire achemyner [mes] cousins les cardinaulx de Bourbon, de Lorraine, et d . . . . . p[our] se trouver a l'eslection qui se pourra faire du Pape futur, avec l'ayde desquelz et des autres cardinaulx que j'ay ja pardela autant affectionnez Francoys qu'ilz sauroient estre, [je]spere que pour le moins empeschera l'on qu'il ne se . . . . . ng a la devotion des Imperiaulx, et po . . . . . besongne ja * * * . . . . . ne et autre potentatz mes alliez . . . . . jay escript pour cest affaire dessaye[r] . . . . . force ensemble de huit ou dix mille hom[mes de guerre que] jay presentement pardela, a celle fin de pou[voir] . . . . . de donner liberte au Colleige des Cardinaulx . . . . . eslection, mais d'empescher ce moyen qu'il . . . . . en icelle faict aucun trouble ou violence, qui [est chose] concernant tellement le bien de toute la Chrestiente, [tant] general que particullier, que je ne faiz au . . . . . ne treuve bien pardela de me secourir et ayder a . . . . . entretenir ladite force, laquelle pourra estre cau[se] . . . . . de faire eslire personnaige selon nostre devotion . . . . . par la parvenir au bien de la paix et recouvrem[ent de mes] enffans, qui est toute ce que nous pouvo[ns a ceste] heure desirer, et combien que ledit Perot Dou[arty apporte des] amples instructions sur toutes choses, sy v . . . . . son armee la me faire entendre la responce . . . . . estre sur se faicte, continuant a me faire tousjours . . . . . comme vous avez tres biens faict jusques icy." . . . . . Jan. 1528.

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"[Mons. de] Bayonne, j'ay tousjours differe . . . . . [de jou]r a autre a depescher Perot Douarty po[ur aller devers le Roy] mon bon frere et perpetuel allye, pardeva[nt] . . . . . dedans peu de jours l'envoyer bien instruict [de toutes les] choses, tant passees que de ce qu'il me se[mble] . . . . . l'advenir, et pour ce que sur cela est icy a[rrive] . . . . . venant de nostre Sainct Pere avecques plusieurs . . . . . lesquelz j'ay delibere le depescher pour s'en . . . . . le tout toutesfoiz communicqu[e] et faict enten[dre au Roy] mon bon frere et perpetuel allye et a Mo[nsieur le Cardinal] mon bon amy, ce que j'ay differe de faire j[usque le departement] dudit Perot Douarty, a celle fin que ayant veu et [considere la] depesche dudit Joa[chi]m, il en puisse rendre . . . . . et entierement leur . . . . . Et ce pendant vous ay bien voulu renvoyer la . . . . . pour vous advertir des nouvelles qui me sont . . . . . passez survenues, tant du camp de mon a[rmee avec Mons. de St.] Pol, que de ce qui est en la Brusse et e . . . . . avec le sieur Rente, qui est en effect . . . . . Bayonne, que Montijan avec douze . . . . . alla l'autre jour . . . nore jusques s . . . . . il faillit a entrer pour * * *
. . . . . en laquelle il faillit a estr[e] . . . . . ne se feust gecte d'une fenestre en la . . . . . ou de ses esclaves le sauverent et le . . . . . lleres. Mais il ne sceust donner si bon vo . . . . . [a]llast et point entyerement tous ses meubles . . . . . gros tant en argent comptant, bagues, vaisselle, ... que plusieurs autres biens, estimans le butin qui a este [prins] a ladite course plus de ij^{m} ducats. Depuis le co . . . . . a deffaictz deux enseignes de lansquenetz sortiz de . . . . . et ung cappitaine des myens nomme Villeroque (?) ave[c] . . . . . mille hommes dont il a la charge, et . . . . . on l . . . . . deffaictz et rompuz sept ou huit cens, que Espa[igneulx] que Italyens, de sorte que ceulx qui sont en la Lom[bardie], tant a Millain que en deux ou troyes autres lieux, po . . . . . sont reduictz a sy petit nombre que j'espere estant . . . . . mondit cousin de Sainct Pol . . . . . je luy ay escript. . . . . bien tost le bon . . . . . temps, faisant les autres . . . . . les (?) veoyr comme il . . . . qu'ilz . . . . . nous aurons . . . . . fin de ce . . . ste (?) la . . . Qu[ant a] . . . . . de la Poille, il s'entend par lettre address[ee] . . . . . estans a Rom[me]," * * *

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5203. [MONTMORENCY] to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

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". . . . . le Roy a presentement . . . . . e, qui est telle novite . . . . . les provisions qui pour ceste heure . . . . . [plu]s amplement pourray veoir par les lettres . . . . . [qu]e remectray, et feray fin a la presente, en [priant Dieu vous] donner ce que plus desirez. De Pa[ris] . . . . . .

" [Ce po]rteur a este paye pour aller et revenir . . . . . vous advise que ladite novite a retarde . . . . . de Warty d'ung jour ou deux. Maistre Stephan es[t parti] cinq ou six jours a, sans veoir le Roy ne [prendre congie] des siens, s'excusant sur l'extresme diligence qu . . . . . vous advertiz que ledit Sieur n'estoit que a tr . . . . . luy a este baille tout ce que luy estoit necessaire p[our] . . . . .

" Signant la presente en ay receu une de vous du xx . . . . . mauvaise cause de vous plaindre de n'avoir long . . . . . de deca, mais je pense que depuis aurez eu . . . . . depesches sans

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ceste cy on il y a bien matiere . . . . . pour souvent aller veoir Monsieur le Legat." *Beginning of signature only visible.*

Add.: M. de Bayonne, conseiller du Roy, et son ambassadeur devers le roy d'Angleterre, &c.

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5204. FRANCIS I. to ———.

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"forussiz qui se viennent tou . . . . . ilz sont paradventure pour faire plus . . . . . et empescher les ennemys a faire nulz autres dessains . . . . . pour ce que tant pour l'armee que j'entretiens en la Lom[bardie], qui est de cinq a six mille hommes sans ceulx que pay[ent] mesdits confederez, et semblablement celle que jay en la dite p . . . . . et en l'Abrusse, il me convient porter une merveilleuse [et] excessive despence, chose que seul il m'est . . . . . aise de pouvoir soustenir ne porter, je serois b . . . . . ayant trouve ledit Roy mon bon frere * * * a Bar[le]tt[a] * * * d'Espaignolz, qui estiment en leur endroict aur . . . . . leur maistre et merite avoir de luy tresbonne . . . . . Et la ou par justice p . . . . . r baronny . . . . . chasteaulx de leurs propres auctorites s'en sont . . . . . entierement pour tout le dit royaume de l . . . . . qu'ilz ont use a Rommes du temps du . . . . . les seigneurs Neapolitains qui se so[nt] . . . . . susp . . . . . ." * * *

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5205. [FRANCIS I. to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.]

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". . . . . ent la moitie du bruyt qui co[urt] . . . . . tains aymeroient plustost avoir le Turc [pour maitre que deme]urer soulz l'obeissance du susdit Empereur.

"[Et q]uant a l'Abrusse, le sieur Camille Perde Urs[in] . . . . . Montorye, et de laquelle tyennent la plus grant [partie du pa]ys, mesmement la ville de la Matrice qui est . . . . . l ont de deux a troys mille hommes gaignans . . . . . ys. Ausquelz j'ay envoye le payement de . . . . . pour les renforcer, en maniere qu'il . . . . . moins les ennemys de tout ce cou . . . . . [se]ul escu, car avec le nombre . . . . . les jours rendre a e . . . . . ne conserver l . . . . . * * * . . . . . mil hommes des siens et . . . . . oye, qui fut laissee derrenierement . . . . . adventaige qu'il tenoit assieige le conte . . . . . [c]hasteau nomme Grudo (?) et pareillement . . . . . les terres, qui sont en une montaigne nom[mee] . . . . . mys Montefredonnye qui est au pied, et le . . . . . angerbe (?), lequel est assis au plus hault . . . . . Et combien que les dites places ne s . . . . . ce [nean]tmoins l'on en aura lu . . . . . des b . . . . p . . . se pouvoyr . . . . . ennemys ont envoye . . . . . Bourely (?), vray e . . . . . suppe . . . ."

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5206. FRANCIS I. to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

"[Mon]s. de Bayonne, j'ay receu vostre lettre du xij. . . . . puis deux jours, je vous aye bien au long escri[pt] . . . . . bientost apres faire partir Perot Douarty su . . . . . ay mande, par lequel vous

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pourrez ente[ndre] . . . . . Sy vous ay je bien voulu ce pendant depes[cher] . . . . . pour vous faire entendre que quant au pro[poz dont vous] m'escripvez par vostre dite lettre, que Mons. de Ve . . . . . le Millort Chambellant touchant a faire la guer[re] . . . . . mon intencion estoit de ly faire, je vous a[dvertis, Mons. de] Bayonne, que vous m'avez faict plaisir d'en re . . . . . sorte que vous avez faict, et que c'est verite . . . . . que vous en deviez dire; car apres avoir en[tendu tant] de Messire Silvestre que d'autres, la facillite . . . . . guerre en Espaigne qu'ilz m'ont faicte, et voy[ant] . . . . . du Roy mon bon frere et perpetuel allye est[re] . . . . . me suis arreste et resolu de l'entreprandre . . . . . ainsy que par ledit Perot Douarty, lequel [je renvoys] pardela pour cest effect, j'espere plus [au long faire] entendre audit Roy mon bon frere et perpe[tuel allye, et Mons.] le Cardinal mon bon amy pareillemen[t] . . . . . et conseil desquelz je suis delib[ere] . . . . . s en toutes * * * . . . . . et en qui j'ay plus de seurete et f[iance] . . . . . ledit Perot Douarty leur declairera bien am[plement] . . . . . il me sembleroit qui se devroit faire pour l['execution de] ladite emprinse, et que bientost il sera pard . . . . . remectray sur luy le demeurant. Et vous diray . . . . . quant au faict d'Itallye dont pareillement vous . . . . . mesmement du couste du Royaume que Dieu mercy [les] choses y sont en tres bon estat, comme vous p[ourrez] mieulx veoir par la lettre que j'en ay eue de mon am[bassadeur] estant a Fleurence, laquelle je vous envoye a [fin] que vous la puissiez monstrer et faire veoir a mondit [sieur] le Cardinal, mon bon amy, pour le faire entendre [au] Roy mon bon frere, que je suis seur aura plaisir [a] l'entendre. Quant a la Lombardye, vous avez veu [par ce] que je vous en ay derrenierement escript, et depuis ne . . . . . est survenu autre chose, bien m'escripvoient ilz qu'ilz avoient quelque entreprinse entre mains laquelle ilz esperoient bien tost mener a chef, de quoy et de [tout ce] qui m'en viendra je ne fauldray a incontinent vo[us adver]tir. Ce pendant, et entrant sur le propoz . . . . . * * * . . . . . d'Itallye et de la des . . . . . ne semble que vous ne devez faillir a ouv[rir] . . . . . faict ne l'avez, que je vous ay derreni[erement escript,] qui est de les pryre ne me laisser ny . . . . . besoing, mais vouloyr continuer a me s . . . . . a porter ladite despence que seul il est im[possible que] je sceusse faire et j'ay bien ceste seure[te] . . . . . qu'ilz ne feront point pis qu'ilz ont faict . . . . . et qu'ilz sont seurs que je vouldroys faire [le semblable en] cas pareil.

"Au demeurant, je vous advise que je m'en . . . . . a Paris, et que la j'ay commande qu'il se feist . . . . . de tous les marchans Angloys qui sont venuz [faire] plaincte pour le faict de ses depredations . . . . . avant que nulle autre chose faire. On reg . . . . . faire et administrer la meilleure et plus promp[te justice que] faire se pourra. Qui sera comme j'espere [telle que chacun] aura occasion par de la s'en contenter."

Sai[nt Germain en Laye], 24 Jan. 1528. *Signed.*

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5207. INSTRUCTIONS OF FRANCIS I. to his AMBASSADOR in ENGLAND.

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"[ambassad]eur par devers treshault . . . . . [Henry par] la grace de Dieu, roy [d'Angleterre, defenseur de] la Foy, son treshault, tresai[me frere, cousin, et] perpetuel allye, de ce qu'il aura [a luy dire et] remonstrer, et pareillement a M[ons. le Legat] son bon amy.

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"Et premierement, apres avoir s . . . . . et tres affectionnees recommandations . . . . . [au roy] d'Angleterre, son bon frere, luy presentera [les lettres] que le dit Sieur luy escript, et apres . . . . . creance ainsi et par la forme et . . . . . luy a donne charge de ce faire, tien . . . . . et propos que ledit sieur roy d'Angleterre . . . . . tenir, ce que s'ensuit :

"C'est assavoir que la ou il viendra . . . . . compte par le menu au dit sieur Roy pour [avertir mon dit] sieur le Legat de tout ce ques affaire . . . . . a faict depuis le partement de Mons. [de Langes ?] . . . . . du royaume d'Angleterre, et jacoit q[ue] . . . . . este escript a Monsieur de Bayonne ; tou[tesfois] . . . . . bien voulu que ledit sieur de Langey en . . . . . affin du tout en respondre, par le me . . . . . des propos, et ainsi qu'il verra qu'on l[uy veult] demander, et que les dits Sieurs puyssent . . . . . manifestement veoir que tout ainsi . . . . . Roy et pareillement Madame sa [mere] . . . . . et repoz en eulx tant de la . . . . . que particulierement de la del[iberation de ses] enfans, aussi b[ien] * * * *
. . . . . conseil at advis . . . . . ont pour le bien comm[un] . . . . . .

". . . . . nt a propoz de parler du voyage [que Mons. de Lau]trec a faict a Naples, dira que [le Roy a desp]endu incredible somme de deniers sans . . . . . y espargner, comme il a este audit de . . . . . re par les comptes qui en ont este rend[us] . . . . . icelluy sieur de Lautrec avoit entierement con[quis l'Abrus]se, la Pouille et terre de Latour, et n . . . . . Naples, lequel despieça avant son deces et . . . . . ste este le refreschissement de vivres que . . . . . lieutenant du cappitaine Andre Dorie, estant au service [de l'Empereur] soubz la banyere de France, luy avoit cont[re sa f]oy et serment donnez. Et pareillement quant . . . . . malladie se pourte au camp dudit Sieur la plus . . . . . [e]t plus estrange dont jamais l'on ayt ouy par[ler] . . . . . le dit sieur de Lautrec mourut avec plusieurs [autres] gentilzhommes. Ladicte ville estoit toute pres[te a se] rendre, mais la rompture du camp [dudit Lautrec, qui est] advenu par ladite maladie empesche la red[dition d']icelle ville, qui eust este fin de guerre, et aus[si auroit du] retirer infalliblement le Pape a nostre devotion, [et nous] mectre en seur[ete] de toutes choses.

". . . . . ledit Sieur a depuis entretenu au royaume de Nap[les] . . . . . ance le conte de Mortorio, le prince de Mel[pui] . . . . . de Trancte, Camille Pardo Ursin et plus[ieurs autres gentilshommes] du Royaume en grant * * * *

f. 239. . . . . [desp]endu depuis ladite . . . . . francs oultre l'ayde . . . . . Venytiens luy donnent.

"D'autre part ledit Sieur entretient . . . . . St. Pol son lieutenant, lequel est . . . . . a couste jusques icy 600,000 . . . . . espere de brief avec le duc d'U[bin] . . . . . le petit nombre de gens qui y est . . . . . sont, s'en vont tous les jours a . . . . . et de vivres, veu le nombre et . . . . . nouvellement a este baille audit . . . . . d'Ytaliens que lansquenetz comme . . . . . aise a cognoistre.

"Et avec ce entretient icelluy Sieur . . . . . grosse armee a la mer Mediterranee . . . . . plusieurs gallions et neuf ou dix gros [navires qui] sont sur la [mer] pour tousjours tenir . . . . . [en] craincte et despence et favoriser le . . . . . somme qu'il luy convient bailler aux . . . . . son sur les [ex]tremitez de son royau[me] . . . . . ceste heure a 500,000

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francs p . . . . . comprins l'ordinance [de] sa gendarm[erie].

"Et ne lassera ledit Sieur de faire . . . . . encores plus grosses si mestier est [affin que la] paix universelle soit faicte et qu[e l'Empereur luy livre] ses enffans, et sondit bon frere . . . . . enquoy luy est tenu lenn . . . . . .

"Plus dira * * * ce qu'il se l . . . . . des deux roys estans . . . . . bien de la paix, liberte . . . . . [la] Crestiente.

". . . rt dira que Jehan Joaquim, sieur de Va[ulx] . . . . . t de Romme avec memoires et instr[uctions] . . . . . a fin de faire une ligue entre m[ondit Sieur] . . . . . [l]edit sieur roy d'Angleterre son bon frere . . . . . [les es]tatz et communitez d'Ytalie deffensive et of[fensive, affin de] recouvrer la paix universelle, remectre . . . . . St. Siege Apostolique en la sorte et mesme au[ctorite qu'il] avoit este parcydevant, gecter hors d'Ytalie . . . . . [Allem]ans et Espaignolz, recouvrer messieurs les enff[ans du] Roy et ce que est deu a icelluy roy d'Angle[terre] . . . . . que a ces fins se face une grosse armee . . . . . [Italie,] qui sera souldoyee des denyers de la contrib[ution] . . . . . chacun desdits allyez fera, et neantmoins en mesme [temps le] dit Sieur doibt avoir une grosse armee aux confi[ns d'E]spaigne comme il sera dit cy apres.

"[E]t pour parvenir a icelle ligue ledit Sieur a envoy[e des amba]ssadeurs memoirs et instructions aux Venytiens, Fl[orentins, et au du]c de Ferrare, affin de composer les differens [qu'ilz on]t avec nostre Sainct Pere, et pour le desir que . . . . . a icelle paix universelle delaisse son royaume . . . . . [Na]ples et duche de Milan, sur lesquelz est . . . . . les dessusdits sieurs et potentats ayent, s'il est . . . . . euses des pieces qu'il commandra paradvant[ures] . . . . . pour satisfaction et contenctement * * *

f. 240. . . . . qu'il n'a faict jusq[ues] . . . . . ner paix universelle et . . . . . l demande.

"Le Pape par le moyen d'icelle . . . . . l'Empereur excommunie, et le pr . . . . . royaumes de Napples et Sicile . . . . . il demourera invoquer le bras [seculier] . . . . . croisade, affin que l'argent qui . . . . . a faire la guerre a l'encontre dud[it] . . . . . .

"Si priera bien fort de la part dud[it] . . . . . le roy d'Angleterre et Monsr. le C[ardinal] . . . . . de bien vouloir penser audit traicte d . . . . . a ses ambassadeurs a Romme y voulo[ir] . . . . . en ce qu'il leur sera possible comme . . . . . et necessaire au bien commun de ces deu[x] royaumes.

"Et d'autrepart dira que ledit sieur R[oy] . . . . . une grosse armee preste au moys d'A[oust] . . . . . du royaume d'Espaigne pour . . . . . la force et estant la dedans en us . . . . . maniere que lesdits sieurs Roy et le . . . . . et consellieront. Et aura en sa [dite armee] . . . . . mil hommes de pied dont les d . . . . . Et desja a envoye ledit sieur en . . . . . bonne somme d'argent pour len . . . . . sont prestz pour la plus gr[ande] . . . . . hommes d'armes, mil che[vaux] . . . . . artillerie avec sa * * *
. . . . . [ju]sques aceste . . . . . ee si bonne somme . . . . . frere s'en doibve contenter . . . . . [ic]elle guerre d'Espaigne, laqu[elle] . . . . . e ledit sieur Roy pour satisfaire a . . . . . records

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tant dudit sieur roy d'Angleter[re que de Mons.] le Cardinal son bon amy, ne sera l . . . . . [s]era bien tost une paix universelle . . . . . [l]edit Empereur sera assailly de tous c[ostes].

"[Ledit sieur] aura aussi sur mer grosse armee . . . . . la Mediterranee trente galleres et dix na[vires] . . . . . [g]ros gallyons armez muniz et equippez de t[out ce que leur] sera necessaire, dont la plus grande part . . . . . a preste ; et du coste de la mer oceane . . . . . [lie]utenant de l'Admiral de France, est icy pour dres[ser] . . . . . armee qui sera pour le moins de quinze g[rands na]vires. Et a delibere ledit Sieur de s'esvertuer de [son pou]voir pour mectre fin a la guerre; parquoy prie . . . . . [au]dit sieur roy d'Angleterre vouloir de sa part dres[ser une armee jus]ques a six bon navires et les esquipper pour l . . . . . pour ce trouver ensemblement avec l'armee [du] Roy son frere sur les confins et portz d'Espaigne.

". . . . . dira que deux officiers de la maison de Ma[dame] Margueritte, c'est assavoir, Rosimbourg et des [Barres son secre]taire, sont passez icy allans en Espaigne par . . . . . ont demande reparation de quelques . . . . . contre la tresve ainsi que ledit Sieur . . . . . cavoir (?) a Mons. de Bayonne * * * . . . . . ne telles que le . . . . . ment a entendre, mais a . . . . . se sont trouvez journellement . . . . . tresve au grant prejudice des . . . . . son royaume. Et la ou ledit . . . . . gens de Madame Marguerite a . . . . . le contraire, il leur plaira nad . . . . . mensonges.

"D'autre part, quant aux depredatio[ns] . . . . . Francois contre les Angloys dont me . . . . . parle audit Sieur, il en est aussi m . . . . . que plus ne pourroit. Et veult en . . . . . les traictez faictz et passez entre . . . . . sans y riens obmectre, et si aucu[n] . . . . . faicte au contraire le veult faire re . . . . . et de plain. Et a ces fins a mand[e] . . . . . d'Angleterre qui est icy de bailler les . . . . . marchans d'Angleterre et que les tra . . . . . ensemble, ensuivant lesquelz s'est de . . . . . que le roy d'Angleterre aura cause . . . . . .

"Et la ou ledit seigneur Roy d'Angle[terre et] Monsieur le Legat vouldroyent de . . . . . de ceste contribution jusques a ce . . . . . des partiz proposez a nostre Saint [Pere par Mons. Jean] Joaquin que par treinte et . . . . . ont charge de * * * . . . . . longueur telle . . . . . ouvertures mesmement . . . . . comme il est l'Empereur pour . . . . . [pr]omptement pourveu de faire de . . . . . es et mesmes de descendre en Ita[lie] . . . . . estre son intention qui seroit la . . . . . de tous les desseings communs. Pa[rquoy il est tres ne]cessaire que ces deulx Roys se resoul[droyent promp]tement de ce qu'ilz auront a faire, ce qu[e ne peu]lt bonnement faire sans que une bonne [conclu]sion se prenne de ladite contribution, afi[n que la de]ssus le Roy puisse mesurer ses forc[es] . . . . . [v]eoir qu'il aura a faire, et la dessus . . . . . guerre par si bonne et prompte execution [que] soit au bien et exaltation des affaires com[muns].

"[Da]vantaige s'ilz s'excusoient de conclusion certaine . . . . . sans ne se povoir resouldre qu'ilz ne voyent au . . . . . es forces le Roy mectera ensemble pour de leur . . . . . mer ce que par la raison ilz debvront faire con . . . . . nes que durant ceste este pourroit advenir par le . . . . . en du Pape suyvant les ouvertures de Mons. le . . . . . t l . . . . de ceste guerre ;

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leur sera dit . . . . . [n]y aura faulte que tout ne s'execute, tant en . . . . . qu'en Italie en la forme que dessus, qui . . . . . este sans excessifs fraiz et mises. Toutesfo[is] . . . . . t adviendroit la fin de la guer[re] . . . . . [co]ntribution et ne cha . . ." * * *

25 Jan. **5208.** J. HACKET to WOLSEY.

Galba, B. IX. 106. B. M.

Has received a letter from Tuke, dated the 11th inst., saying that he had not received Hacket's letter of the 24th ult., and asking Hacket to repeat the contents. Wrote on the 16th and 17th ult. that *my Lady* had told him that a French gentleman had come to *her*, who told her as a great secret that he had charge of *the French king* and *Reg[ent]*, how they suppose to find the way to make *peace and concord* between *the Emperor and the French king;* [but] because he brought no letter of credence, *my Lady* let him go home as wise as he came, saying that if he had brought letters *she* might give him answer by a letter, but to words she gave only answer in words.

About the 8th Dec. he came again to *my Lady*, with letters of credence and sufficient power from *the French king and Regent*, and declared to *my Lady and Hoghestrat* that if they will keep the matter secret, he doubts not that *the Emperor and the French king*, with their own subjects, will find the right way to a final *peace and concord*, without the mediation of any other persons; that he had power to bind the said *French king* and Regent* (?) *to pay the sum of* 100,000 *crowns to them that* will help to bring this business to perfection, and has showed them in writing how all may be brought to pass. This proposal was liked here meetly well, and at his request *my Lady and Hoghestrat* have sent Rossynboix and de Barris to *the French king and the Regent* for a confirmation, with commission to pass thence to *Spain to the Emperor at the French king's costs*, "s[ub] ombra" that they are taking my Lady's letters to the Emperor to inform him of the peace of Gheldyrs, "with other wyt . . . . . that they have done here upon the land of Owyrstycht and Uttrecht, which seemeth to dyw[ers] of their countries a right lawful cause, bu[t] the wennemens concept of the verity is [not] thought to be known by more persons than [are] named here after following:"—*my Lady, Hoghstrat, the card. of Luke, lord Fiennes*, the Aud[iencer], Rossynboix, de Barr[is, and] three other lords *of the order*, who do not wish this business to come to perfection, lest the exa[mple] of others might turn to their declination. They wonder here why the Lord Chamberlain and Deputy have visited so substantially the frontiers of Calais towards this country. It is right needful to see to such things. Heard a gentleman say that if two or three old ships were sunk at the entry of Calais haven, it would prevent them from having succours if there were war with this country. Would tell Wolsey all he knows if he would recall him, for he spends the King's money and his own without doing any great service. From Barrow, sent by Wm. Lok, 25 Jan. 1528.

The gentleman named above is "the Secrettayre Lesleu Bayart."

As to *my Lady*, if there were no worse English hearts about *her* than *she is her* self, we should know from *her* own mouth all business of importance. *She* told him in a general manner that *the French king* would fain make an appointment and *peace* with *the Emperor* unknown to *the King* or *Wolsey;* but his Grace knows how to find out the truth without letting the ambassadors know that he has heard of it. If he would write or cause Tuke to write that he has heard such tidings, and wonders that neither *my Lady* nor Hacket mention it, "whether such tidings be true or not, by such means I [should] know the right ground of my said *Lady* st . . . . . whether she be plain and good willing [to] us or not, touching this foresaid business."

* "Emperor" in MS.

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As to *the money* owed by *the Emperor* [to] *the King*, if this business takes effect *the king of Portugal*, as it is said, will be content to answer [and] pay the said *money*. It is reported here that Jehan Lalleman, who was secretary to the Emperor in Spain, has so misused himself that he is not well at his ease, if he be alive; and that Jehan Duram, who was secretary to the governor of Bresse, has taken sanctuary for some fault against the Emperor, whereby *Hoghstrate* has lost a friend. If he lost half a dozen, "*the Emperor* would be nothing the worse served between *the King*, your Grace, and him." A report has come to my Lady that *Wolsey* had openly declared some grievous words of the Emperor, but, as a discreet princess, she said that she might not believe such reports. "They have here their tongues at as great liberty as we have our wild beasts in Ireland." Mons. the Reux is preparing to convoy 40 new pieces of ordnance, and 10 other pieces, with 400 hagbushes, to the Emperor in Spain, and says that he never trusts to see this country again until the Emperor comes to Rome, or that he has his pleasure of the French king. If this people might as soon do a thing as they speak many things, they would do wonders; but for all their cracking, if they have no other help but of themselves, they will not break out unless we break first. For all this, it is necessary to attend to the defences round Calais. A secret parliament has lately been held about the defence of the country, and to collect money after the manner of a petition. They say that it is an ill token that *the King* would [not] buy and take in payment from the *French king* all the lands that my *Lady Van Dome* has in these countries; and also, as *the lord Fiennes* told me, that the men of Calais "kyttyls" much about Graveling, to know the strength of their works and the depth of their waters. At the said parliament there was ostension done secret . . . . . if the *Emperor* will he may be at a reasonable . . . . . *of peace and concord with the French king*, and *that more to his* [advan]tage than it was offered in times past.

The conclusion is kept secret.

Hol., pp. 7, *mutilated. Add. Endd.*

25 Jan. **5209.** Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Le Grand, iii. 281.

Does not wish to be too long without writing, though he has little to say, but if Montmorency give him no more occasion than he has done he ought to be excused. You know nothing can be more secret than the way things are treated here, and no one goes to court who is not sent for, or has not something special to do; so, unless you give me occasion, I shall have nothing to write to you. No doubt I can get up pretexts sometimes, but it would not be well to continue it. Besides, it would give satisfaction here, and avoid suspicions, if you wrote more frequently. I presume you have already heard Dr. Stephen, of whose departure I wrote to you. Although they kept it secret, I knew it four days before; but as the court was in the country I could not learn the cause of his mission. Two days ago, when Campeggio came here again, I tried to discover it, but I assure you the thing is so secret that even many of the Council know nothing about it. Probably, however, he will confer with you about it in person. I suspect that the Pope, by the chamberlain, whom he has sent to Campeggio, has commanded him to meddle no further, seeing things are taking quite a different turn from what he had been assured, and that the Emperor's affairs in Naples are in such a state that he dare not displease him; while Francis is not so strong in Lombardy as he hoped, and the Emperor's forces were increased by the arrival of the Spaniards, and the money brought by cardinal St. Cross. I will lay 20 to 1 that my conjecture is near the truth, and if he put it otherwise to you I believe he means to cloak the matter.

Begs him to write a line that he can show Campeggio, expressing satisfaction at his devotion to Francis.

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The intention, of which I wrote to you, to expel strangers from the kingdom, had cooled a little, but within these few days has been brought forward again, and I expect shortly that 30,000 Flemings will be sent away. They are much dissatisfied, and declare they will make war this year, but I think the English are more afraid than they pretend of not obtaining the truce, and I know that Wolsey was very angry that his men had kept Thade so long in court, for he would have liked the Pope to have come forward about that matter of truce; but, so far as I see, nothing is ready, and the Pope will be in no hurry to arrange it without full deliberation. The ambassador of Hungary has persuaded one Ossestre (Hochstetter), who was here about the gold mines that the king of England was seeking for, to return to Germany, on the plea that he was required by Ferdinand and the king of Hungary. But it is all a trick to avert suspicion about his passage, and in order to send news to his master; for he has let to farm to Hochstetter, as having the power to do so, the mines of Hungary, and has given him a faithful servant, whom Hochstetter, in going to the king of Hungary for confirmation of the contract, conveys safely to Germany, and by whom he informs the King, his master, of everything. I have informed the said ambassador that my brother was too ill to go on the voyage, and I named to him several of those whom he has seen at court, to ascertain with which of them he would be best pleased. He said he would be very well satisfied with La Pommeraye, and if he cannot get him he would have no one who is not a Frenchman, saying that in Germany they trust no other nation. As to my brother's marriage, I beg you will continue your good offices, and do me the favor to get Francis to allow me to convey hither 300 *muicts* of corn, which I have in my abbey, of my own growing. I will take this in recompense for the money which Campeggio compels me daily to lose "avec les ducs, dominique, et les aultres," but I do it for the honor of my master. London, 25 Jan.

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5210. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 295.

While waiting to close his packet at the departure of the tide (*au partement de la marée*), learned from a good authority that the charge of Dr. Stephen is, among other things, to tell the Pope that if he do not make Campeggio proceed with this divorce and despatch the matter, the king of England will throw off his allegiance. This, I am told, is quite certain, and it agrees with what I wrote to you. Campeggio came upon me today by surprise at my lodging, where, having leisure to speak to him apart, I tried to probe him on this matter, but I see he dare not speak, so I suspect that Dr. Stephen will not have told you everything either; but, at all events, I thought it right to tell you all I have been able to make out. Wolsey is in great difficulty, for the affair has gone so far that if it do not take effect, the King will fall out with him, and if he do, he will have to carry it with a strong hand (?) ("*il aura à faire à forte partie*"). Cheyney had offended Wolsey some days ago, and had been put out of the court. The young lady has put him in again, and used very rude words of Wolsey. Think what may be the effect of this. The duke of Norfolk and his party already begin to talk big, but certainly they have to do with one more subtle than themselves.

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5211. KATHARINE OF ARRAGON to MUSCETULA.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 13. B. M.

Has received his letter with the other writings. Thanks him for his diligence in her service, and begs him to continue. Wishes to know what answer the Pope made to his petitions. Will commend his services to the

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Emperor. Desires credence for Inigo de Mendoza. Hampton Court, 25 Jan. 1529.
Modern copy, Spanish, p. 1.

ii. Inigo di Mendoza to [the Same].

Has received three letters from him, the last dated on the 13th ult., and also the protestation and supplication made in the Queen's matter. Muscetula could not have done better. His advice that the Queen should apply to get the cause revoked to Rome would have been taken long ago if it had been possible; but she can do nothing but what her husband desires. His Holiness, however, should see that in this kingdom she cannot defend herself, and for the honor of the Church the case should not be allowed to be decided out of Rome. The Pope has always written to his Legate, as you have informed us, that, not being able to draw the Queen into religion, the case should be suspended (*que en el processo suspodiesse*) until he receive a new mandate from his Holiness.

A draft letter has been prepared with much trouble and difficulty, which the Queen may write with her own hand to the Pope, expressing her free will, on which I hope the cause will be removed to Rome.

Arrangements for communicating through cardinal Sanctæ Crucis.

The Queen had two dispensations from pope Julius. Of the first and principal the King has here an authentic copy, as the Emperor also has in Spain, but of the second they have none in England, and they will use every effort to get it from the Emperor; but his Majesty will, of course, take great care not to give it up, as in it consists the whole of the Queen's right. If the original or the register can be discovered at Rome, it would be well to get an authentic extract, or at least get it examined.

The Queen was compelled some days past to swear solemnly that she would use every effort to get the brief which the Emperor has, and they have made her write to the Emperor for it as urgently as if her life depended on it; but his Majesty must be informed that this was done entirely under compulsion.

Bids him inform the Cardinal Sanctæ Crucis that he has intelligence that the kings of France and England and the Cardinal make great suit to the Pope that he should go to Avignon, where they offer to go themselves, so as to arrange matters that the Emperor's journey into Italy may be prevented (*que pidan la jornada del Imperador in Italia*). London, 25 Jan. 1529.
Modern copy, Spanish, pp. 5.

5212. CARDINAL WOLSEY to the EARL OF BEAUMONT (MONTMORENCY), Grand Master of France.

From the French Archives.

Having begun to build two colleges, one at Ipswich, which is the place of my birth, and the other in the university of Oxford, where scholars shall be brought up in virtue, and qualified for the sacerdotal dignity, which edifices cannot be properly completed because we have not here in abundance the stone which you have there; for this reason I pray you very earnestly to be a means with the King your master that he will do me the honor to assign to me a quarry at Caen, in Lower Normandy, and that leave may be given to my people there to take and carry away all such stone as shall be necessary for the perfection of the said edifices, without paying any duty thereupon. Richmond, 26 Jan. 1529.

26 Jan. **5213.** BRYAN to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 148.

Since my last from Florence of the 9th, I have heard that the Pope was very sick. Remembering your letters and the money, I determined to leave them with Vannes at Orvyett, and go with Penyson to Rome. When we came to Orvyett, heard the Pope was not dead; so we rode to Vytarba,

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26 Jan. **5218.** JOHN CASALE to WOLSEY.

R. O. Although I wrote that the duke of Urbino had notified the Pope's death, the Pope was still alive, although given over for dead. Excuses himself for giving false intelligence. Venice, 26 Jan. 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

26 Jan. **5219.** FRANCISCO CATULO to the PROTHONOTARY [CASALE].

Vit.B. XI. 29*. B. M. . . . . "ra che non habbia tempo di scrivere, nondimeno voglio a ricordare a V. S. . . . . le son servitore, et salutarla da parte di tutta la brigata nostra di . . . . sa et allei me raccommando per infinite volte. Di Venezia, alli 26 di Gennaio 1529. D. V. S. servitore, Francisco Catulo, &c."

The end of a letter. Address mutilated.

26 Jan. **5220.** HUMFRIDUS NEUALLUS to WOLSEY.

R. O. A poetical appeal to be delivered from prison and the persecution of Dr. Lindon. The writer protests his innocence, addresses Wolsey as "genitor" (evidently as the founder of Cardinal's College), and speaks of the encouragement he has always given to studious youth. *Subscribed:* "Tuus, semperque erit ut potens est, Humfridus Neuallus capt' in Lincol. Oxoniæ Pathmo, 1529, 26 Jan."

Lat., p. 1. *Begins:*

"Dum tempus tulerit, dextram nunc tende cadenti,
Eripitoque lupi dentibus eque manu."

Ends:

"Ipse pater mundi, Wolseus omnivalens."

27 Jan. **5221.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to GARDINER.

R. O. Has received his letters by Vannes. Will be diligent in the King and Wolsey's causes. Is sorry that Bryan and Vannes should have come at such a time, and that the King's cause should have to be discussed amid so many troubles. Gardiner will learn from Vincent (Casale) his distress. Is grieved that Peter (Vannes) has brought him no money. If greater regard is not had to his expences, no Englishman coming to Rome will find him at his house, but that he has moved to the nearest hospital. Has relied on the great promises of the Cardinal. Rome, 27 Jan. 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

27 Jan. **5222.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to VIN[CENT CASALE].

Vit.B. XI. 33. B. M. Brian and Vannes arrived at Rome on the 25th. Should have advised them not to come if he had known the Pope's danger, but he has now escaped death. They could not have arrived at a worse time, for Casale has been in great confusion in consequence of the danger which has threatened the city. It has narrowly escaped being plundered by the people, in consequence of the scarcity of bread. As he has not been able to receive the ambassadors as they deserve, will try to assist them as much as possible in their business, though nothing can be done now in consequence of the Pope's sickness. Writes of the King's business in their common letter. The Pope is bent on making peace. In the last instruction sent to Dr. Kny[ght], Wolsey suggests that the Pope and himself should meet at Nice, and that the Emperor and the king of France should both come to their frontiers. Advised Brian and Vannes to ask Salviati to suggest this to the Pope, and told Salviati that this was better than going to Spain. Thinks the Pope's proposition of going to Narbonne is the best. Both his Holiness and Salviati think that if a peace is made the Queen can be induced to enter the religious state.

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The Pope escaped death by a miracle, and is still suffering from fever. Had good hopes, if he had died, of serving the King and Wolsey. The prince of Orange has returned to Aquila, whither 800 foot have been sent by the general of Abruzzo from Perugia. The count of Aquila will defend the city against the Prince, who has no artillery. The snow is so deep that it will be difficult even to pitch a camp.

Lat., pp. 3. *Headed:* "Ex literis D. Gregorii Casalii, ad D. Vin[centium], die 27 Januarii, Romæ datis."

27 Jan. **5223.** JACOBO SALVIATI to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 45. B.M.

Has received the King's and Wolsey's letters from the ambassadors. Writes also to the King. Will do all he can for them, but the Pope is so favorable that there is no need of his assistance. His Holiness is growing stronger daily, but cannot yet attend to business. Rome, 27 Jan. 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2. *The address pasted on.*

27 Jan. **5224.** REGINALD POLE to ROMULUS AMASÆUS.

Egerton MS. 1,998, f. 1. B.M.

Since his return from Italy the cardinal of York has been urging him to procure some professor of oratory from Italy, thinking that from his long sojourn there, and his acquaintance with learned men, he would be able to persuade some one. He has commenced a most magnificent work. The place is grand in itself, but much more so by the multitude of teachers and taught. Two hundred will be supplied with food and clothing. No class of learning is excluded, and each has its own rewards.

Wolsey has spoken to Pole particularly about Amasæus, and has authorised him to offer him 500 ducats a year, travelling expences, and benefices for his sons, if he has any destined for the Church. The quietness of a retreat here would be profitable both to himself and others, and he can assure him of Wolsey's kindness and munificence; but he knows his fear of change, and remembers his refusal of Matteo Giberti's offers. The disturbances at Rome (*rerum urbanarum*), and in the whole of Italy, which shortly followed, showed his foresight. Amasæus may think him not a fair adviser, as he is pleading the cause of his country, which he wishes to see profited by his instructions, but he also considers Amasæus's interest. He would be better off than he has ever been. Advises him to write to Wolsey whether he accepts or refuses. London, 6 kal. Feb.

Lat., hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Doctissimo viro D. Romulo Amasæo, Bononiæ.

27 Jan. **5225.** PETER VANNES to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 30. B.M.

The cardinal S. Quatuor tells him that the Cardinals will not expedite the bulls for the bishopric of Winchester for a less sum than 13,000 ducats. Both he and Sir Gregory have urged Wolsey's deserts, and the Cardinal advises that the matter should be deferred until the Pope can again propose it in a consistory. Several of the Cardinals and of the Pope's household are Imperialists. Does not know how the money will be provided; for the persons at Venice, to whom Vivaldi sent letters of exchange for 8,000 ducats, are bankrupt. Has written to Venice to know if the letters are of any value. As to the other 2,000 ducats, payable at Florence, although the merchants have agents here, they refuse to take less than 63 pence for each ducat, though 60 pence is the common charge here. Asks Wolsey to arrange about the price. Jacobo Salviati has been sent by the Pope to tell them that his illness prevents his attending to any business. The Pope is pleased at Wolsey's readiness to meet him in Spain for the settlement of public affairs, and will attend to this as soon as he recovers. He will not, however, go without Wolsey. Salviati says that Narbonne is the place which the Pope

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thinks most convenient, and that if the Imperial army comes hither again his Holiness would flee secretly, for he would not declare for the Emperor or any other, but treat every one alike. Showed him the evils that would ensue to the Church by the coming of the Emperor to Italy; to which he assented. Said it would be better for the Emperor to be detained on the frontier. He said that though there was hope of peace, the kings of England and France should strengthen their forces, as the Emperor's intentions were still doubtful.

He said, as from himself, that in making peace, even if it were procured by the Emperor, the King's wishes would be satisfied. Said he knew the Pope could do it if he would act in a straightforward manner.

Sir Gregory Casale has the greatest influence with the Cardinals and the Pope, is prudent and diligent, and omits nothing that he thinks will please the King and Wolsey. They could never find a better servant. He is obliged to live as the King's ambassador, and his diets are not paid, so that he will soon be compelled by poverty to retire. Asks pardon for his boldness in saying this.

All the Cardinals here consider Wolsey as the support of the Church. The cardinal Farnese and the cardinal of Mantua praise his manner of life. Will soon send Wolsey his epitaph. Brian behaves most prudently, and is beloved by all. Rome, 27 Jan. 1529.

Hol., Lat., mutilated.

5226. [VANNES, &c. to WOLSEY.]

Vit. B. XI. 44*. B. M.

Have obtained from the cardinal S. Quatuor a minute of the bull of union, which is now being drawn up. The Cardinal is vexed at the substitution of the words "less or more than 12 monasteries" for "less than 12 monasteries," as mentioned in the first instructions. As to the bull for the erection of cathedrals, the Cardinal has drawn up an information which will be laid before the consistory. The Cardinal desires to know why Wolsey wishes the removal of the clause "*de consensu quorum interest,*" which appears in the first instructions, and also why Wolsey has not sent former bulls for the erection of monasteries into cathedrals.

Wolsey must not be surprised at these bulls being delayed, as it is owing to the Pope's illness.

The money for the bishopric must be provided, as the Venetian merchants are bankrupt.

Lat., p. 1. *Vannes' hand.*

28 Jan. **5227.** PETER VANNES to GARDINER in London.

R. O.

Has written to Wolsey. Begs he will use his influence to induce Wolsey to take in good part what he has said of Gregory (Casale). Unless his necessities are supplied, he will be compelled to abscond. Tell Dom. de Welbeke that Gregory has sent him the bull; and if he wishes to express his gratitude, he is to give it to Vincent (Casale). Tell Martial that I will attend to his message by Clayburgh at the first opportunity. Thank Knevet for his kind letters. The cardinal of Mantua desires his remembrance. My compliments to the bishop of Carlisle. Rome, 28 Jan. 1529.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

28 Jan. **5228.** [GREGORY CASALE to VINCENT CASALE.]

Vit. B. XI. 46. B. M.

Desires him to tell Wolsey that he has obtained the following terms from ten cardinals for the expedition of his bulls: that they will comply with his wishes if he will give up the bishopric of Durham, the tax of which,

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10,000 ducats, will come to them, and also the tax of the other bishopric which becomes vacant by this exchange, and if he will pay 6,000 ducats. The see of Canterbury will also soon be vacant, from which they will receive the same amount. Said that unless they made this concession to Wolsey he would not give up Durham. They promised to obtain his request. Advises Wolsey to write and say that he does not wish them to expedite the bulls, as a yearly revenue of 2,000 ducats is not worth the expence, for the bishopric of Winchester does not exceed Durham by more than that.

He should still provide the money, for there is not much to be hoped for from these cardinals.

At a congregation held today the cardinal St. Quatuor exhibited the form of the bulls for the cathedrals. Many of the cardinals are contented that every thing should be done in England, and the bishops elected there, but that the *birretum* and the rochet should be conferred here. The Pope has slept well, and is without fever. News came today that 800 foot from Perugia have entered Aquila, which they will easily defend against the prince of Orange. Has kept this letter till the 29th. The Pope is again suffering from tertian fever, and Casale does not feel sure of his safety. Cardinal de Monte has shown him an article, which he has found, of a previous licence to create bishops in England.

Lat., pp. 2, *mutilated. Headed:* Ex literis D. Gregorii [ad D. Vincentium], die 28 Jan., Romæ datis.

28 Jan. **5229.** PAUL CASALE to ———.

Vit. B. xi. 34*. B. M.

The Pope has recovered after being twice in danger of death, but still suffers from fever, so that no business can be transacted. The last few days have been spent in frustrating the practices of the cardinal St. Angelo, in anticipation of the Pope's death. There has been great confusion in the city, and the people are thinking of removing their property and families.

Lat., p. 1. *Headed:* "Ex literis D. Pauli Casale, die 28 Januarii, Romæ datis."

28 Jan. **5230.** SIR FRANCIS BRYAN, GREGORY CASALE and PETER VANNES to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. xi. 35. B. M.

When they arrived at Florence they heard rumors of the Pope's illness, which were confirmed as they proceeded; so that many people wondered at their continuing their journey. Were received at Ronciglione by the card. Farnese, and gave him the King's and Wolsey's letters. He expressed his willingness to serve the King and Wolsey. He is a man of sixty years of age, and of great influence and prudence. Heard from him that the Pope's life was despaired of, and that the physicians suspected poison. His death was reported, and the roads were infested by robbers; so that the journey to Rome would have been very dangerous. Persuaded the Cardinal that he ought to go to Rome, and support the See Apostolic, and they thought that they could travel in greater safety in his company. Meantime false news of the Pope's death was brought by a Spanish courier, and they heard also "fa[ctiones] interim Romæ cœptas, cardinalem Columnam . . . . ab Urbe abesse, generalem Capuanumque nihil . . . ac dolo in tanta occasione moliri." The Cardinal, therefore, determined to go to Rome, and took them with him to his castle. Were met at six miles from Rome by Sir Gregory's brother with fresh horses. He told them that Sir Gregory was doing all he could to frustrate the plans of the General, and that the cardinal of Mantua had gained many Cardinals to his party, and was opposing the General. Were met on their entry into the city by Sir Gregory and the brother of the bishop of Worcester, and went to Sir Gregory's house. The Pope was not yet considered out of danger, and the city was in confusion. Found Sir Gregory "ferme labore confectum quo

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ex Pontificis obitu, Pontifex aliquis, v . . . . R^ma D. nobis ex sententia succederet, vo[ti]que compotes futuros nos sperabamus, si vis abesset." Discussion was commenced amongst the Cardinals whether, if, after the Pope's death, the Spaniards approached from Naples, they should retire to a safe place, and should disregard the bull fixing the election at the place where the Pope dies. While this was being discussed the Pope recovered. Jacobo Salviati sent to congratulate them on their arrival, and to offer his assistance; and soon after Sanga, the Pope's [secretary], also came, who told them that it was impossible to see the Pope till he was recovered, and he did not think they could do anything till they had seen him. Do all they can to gain the influence of the Cardinals. The chief of those who favor the King are cardinals St. Quatuor, Farnese, Cesis and Mantua. Has asked St. Quatuor to procure the expediting of the bulls, and has given him copies. "De bulla autem erigendi . . . . . cathedrales, &c., hæc proponatur oportet in [consistorio] quod fiet in proximo."

Have told Jacobo Salviati, who now never leaves the Pope, how much aid Wolsey expects from his influence, and that they were instructed to make use of his advice; that their charge was threefold, the negotiation of a peace by means of the Pope, the restoration of the See Apostolic, and the King's private matter. He answered that peace was expected from the arrival of the General; but he had brought no universal commission, but merely to treat for restoration of the hostages, Ostia and Civita Vecchia. He certainly offered that the state of Italy should be settled as the Pope wished; but his Holiness refused, from his desire for the general quiet of Christendom, and because he is arranging for his journey to Spain. Praised his Holiness's conduct, saying that this was the right way to obtain a general peace, if he would prefer the public good to his private interests; and they were commissioned to say that Wolsey would meet the Pope at Nice, Avignon or Marseilles. Salviati said he was rejoiced at this, and nothing would please the Pope more than for Wolsey to be his colleague; and he desired them to inform Wolsey that the Pope would not refuse this condition, and wished to fix on some safe place. Said that the Pope must beware of falling again into the hands of the Imperialists. He answered that his Holiness would never go unless he had the fleet of Doria and the French king at his disposal. Asked what the Pope would do if he saw that [the king of England] and the king of France would grant all that was necessary for peace, and the only obstacle was the Emperor's ambition; whether he thought the Pope would adhere to the two Kings. He said he thought the Pope would do everything to compel the Emperor to make peace. Desired him to encourage the Pope in this purpose, and to assure him that the Kings would protect him. He said the Pope did not need advice on this point, for his intention was to trust no more to the Imperial army.

Sir Gregory is sure that no news will be more welcome to the Pope than to know that Wolsey approves of his plan of going to Nice, and will meet him there; for he hopes by his assistance to remove all the obstacles to peace.

As to the King's affair, all expeditions of that kind are kept in the secret registers, which are now in the custody of the card. St. Quatuor, but in the time of pope Julius were kept by Sigismund, the secretary. They are divided into two volumes,—bulls and briefs. "In bullarum registro, ut v. R^ma D. [per litteras] D. Gregorii jampridem cognovisse debet, ipse [vidit] exemplar bullæ dispensationis." Now, by Sir Gregory's aid, they have found another register of briefs of the first, second and third years of pope Julius, and they have examined both volumes of the bulls and briefs at their lodging. Found nothing but two briefs and the dispensation for the King's marriage, copies of which they send. Found nothing else among the letters

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or books of Sigismund, "nisi non . . . . quæ fuligini apud filium remansisse dicuntur, ad [quem] misimus quendam ejus consanguineum," who promised to bring everything that had been found concerning the marriage. Heard that James de Castimberg, a colleague of [Sigismun]d, had certain writings, which at his death came into the hands of the archbishop of Capua, who, they fear, has forged something from them; for when they told Salviati, who had heard about this brief from Campeggio, that it was manifestly false, he said the Imperialists asserted that they had the authentic brief, and had found the registers and everything else necessary. Said they did not believe it, as there was nothing of the kind in the registers which they had searched.

Can do nothing, but they have got a cousin of Sigismund's son to claim the writings from the Archbishop; but it will be difficult, as the Archbishop is cunning, and is very urgent about this matter. Have asked card. St. Quatuor whether, if the Imperialists produce the authentic brief, they can render it of no avail by means of the treaty between Ferdinand and Henry VII. He said he thought such a treaty would be of no use, unless the Pope had assented to it. Have, therefore, drawn up certain articles by the advice of Jacobo Cortesio and Sir Gregory, and have sent them to Bologna for the opinion of Carlo Ruina, who is considered the best lawyer in Italy. Will also obtain the opinion of the card. of Ancona when he arrives.

There are no advocates whom they can retain, except young men, and those of little reputation. The Pope retains as his counsel Caposucca and Simonetta, the auditors of the Rota, and has given them benefices. Have been told by several Cardinals that the Imperial ambassador urges the Pope to give a commission to summon the cause hither; but Sir Gregory opposes him, showing the dishonor it would be to Campeggio, the King and Wolsey, and saying that the King has granted everything to the Queen that she could wish. Can, however, write nothing more until they have seen the Pope, and they know not when that will be.

Camillo Pardo Ursino and the count of Aquila have taken that town, and have sent to ask aid from the French ambassador, who will not grant it. 3,000 ducats have been sent from Florence, but the treasurer on the way has enlisted 1,000 foot. Hopes the money has not been wasted, for enlisting soldiers is not a treasurer's business. The Viceroy is marching to recover Aquila. Two days ago another Imperial ambassador, named Mayo, arrived here, with power, as it is said, to restore Ostia and Civita Vecchia. This will be an advantage to the Imperialists, for the Pope would be obliged to leave Rome if these cities were detained longer.

The bishop of Verona will not come hither. Has sent him the King's and Wolsey's letters.

"Habemus utrasque instructiones in promptu, e . . . . quas 20 Dec. V. R^ma D. misit, prior[ibus] accommodavimus, eamque partem transtuli, ut leg . . . . . quam subducta virgula, V. R^ma prescrips . . . . ."

Will do all they can for the promotion of the bishop of Worcester. Are keeping the King's letters to Venice about the restitution of Cervia until the Pope can see them; so that, if he die, the King can either take the same course or not, as he thinks best.

The cardinal of Mantua desires to be commended to Wolsey. Rome, 28 Jan. 1528. *Signed.*

P.S.—Casale writes about the [Emperor's] intended coming to Italy, which was not thought to be certain; but now a letter has arrived from cardinal Salviati to his father, speaking of it as certain, and the papal nuncio in Spain confirms it. Casale says that long ago the Pope wrote to the Emperor that he had determined to go thither to make peace, and he asked for the galleys of Doria for a protection; and if the Emperor refused or delayed this, there would be no doubt of his coming. It is said that he will

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bring 10,000 foot and almost all his nobility. Casale, in order to discover the Pope's mind from Salviati, said to him that the French king should prepare for a war in Spain, and send his troops to the frontier while a fleet was prepared by both England and France. The Emperor's journey would thus be prevented, and irreparable injury inflicted on him. Salviati said the Pope would approve of this; for if the Emperor came to Italy he would soon be master of everything, as the country is in great want, and he would get supplies from Sardinia, Sicily and Naples. A nobleman has been conveyed to Naples by the nephew of Andrea Doria, to arrange with the prince of Orange and Doria for the Emperor's journey, as it is supposed.

Lat., Vannes' hand, pp. 19. *Add. Endd.*

28 Jan. **5231.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 289.

While returning just now to the Legate, I received the despatch of La Chapelle, who has remained hurt by a fall on this side of Dovor. He has sent me, in cipher, that which you had charged him to tell me about the *propos* of La Hargerie; but to this I shall make no answer at present, except that I expect Wolsey will, as to the contribution, send me back to the terms borne by Thade, until Mons. Du Warty brings something else; but I must tell you that Wolsey has sent for me, though I had such a bad cold, to tell me the news from Flanders, for which I have referred Madame to you, not to trouble her with my bad hand. First, he said he meant to use the same sincerity towards Madame which she heretofore has used towards him, letting her know everything from which suspicion might arise, not among themselves, who were too well assured of each other, but among others, that all might know the stability of their friendship. He then produced a long letter sent from Flanders, in which it was mentioned that the Eleu Bayard had been twice with Madame Margaret, and signified to her the great desire of my Lady to arrange a good peace between Francis and the Emperor, even without comprehending England or any of the allies; and that Bayard, having had communication with the said Lady, Mons. d'Ostrade had returned to Madame, and had again gone to lady Margaret with a full commission, and made an appointment, which the lady Margaret had afterwards sent by William de Barres to have confirmed by the Emperor. In another passage, it was stated that Madame de Pinoy (so in the letter), returning lately from France, had told the lady Margaret that Francis was certainly making an arrangement with the Emperor, and promised her that the king of England would soon be made to change his purpose. On which my Lady said to a gentleman present, Do not I tell you that of anything the French do, "il n'en fault faire fondement?" This letter was written in English, and Wolsey repeated to me its substance in Latin. I looked at it closely; it certainly contained passages to the above effect; and when it came to these last words, it was in the original "ne vous dis je pas, Monsieur l'ambassadeur," so that I presume she was speaking to the English ambassador, for these were the only words of the letter in French. Wolsey, however, denied that the letter came from him; still I believe it did, but I think he does not wish me to hold the said ambassador in suspicion. He said, moreover, that the writer got his information about l'Eleu Bayard from divers and good authorities, which all agreed. I made the best answer I could, attributing the suspicions to the Flemings, who are trying both in France and England to dissolve this indissoluble tie, as Wolsey knows better than any other. I said I knew myself that they would have made use of an opportunity, of which I would have informed him a month ago, if I thought the thing would have gone so far; for about the end of the fair at Antwerp I had had a letter from the said Bayard, complaining that he had not found, as he expected, one Croquet, merchant, of Paris, to recover from him 10,000 livres; and hearing

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that he had crossed the sea, he wished I would make inquiry and get him arrested. About this I named to Wolsey some merchants of this town, who could give evidence. I had caused inquiry to be made at the time, without letting them know the cause. In brief, I satisfied Wolsey so far that he declared the matter was as fully justified as could be, and that he had undertaken, on pain of his head, to show the King that it was an invention of the enemy, but still desired me to inform Madame of it.

Excuses himself for not writing a longer letter, as his cold is so bad he has been 20 times obliged to rest. London, 28 Jan.

P.S.—I also told him that I had been informed by a Fleming, whom I named to him, that William de Barres had left to go in disguise through France, and that I expected he would either be taken in his passage, or that if he passed by safe-conduct, it would be to arrange the prolongation of the truce, which Margaret cannot do without the Emperor; which truce, I think, you should seek in order to satisfy the English.

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28 Jan. **5232.** SIR EDWARD GULDEFORD to WOLSEY.

R. O. Has received his letters, dated Richmond, 15 Jan., and has accordingly delivered to the Spaniards their ship and goods, which were in the custody of Englishmen.

Sends a book of his costs about the ships, amounting to 108*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*, which the owners refuse to repay. 19*l.* 12*s.* of the Spaniards' money has come into his hands. The ships' goods could not be saved without a great company of boats and mariners; and it was agreed both by the Spaniards and the French before him, the mayor of Rye, and others, that the ships should be kept by Englishmen till the matter was determined, and that those who were to have them should pay the expences. Would not have meddled without this. Asks to be repaid the remainder. The Spaniards sent for him to his house to come to their rescue, and he has been 15 days at Rye. Hopes Wolsey will see that he has no loss. Wolsey writes that he does not seem to have followed exactly his former letters, but he has done so as much as he could. Wolsey also writes that he has been partial in this matter, and has given cause of complaint for the Spaniards against the King's subjects, so that they have demanded letters of reprisal and marque from the lady Margaret against the English, but he is sure that no one can prove this accusation. Halden, 28 Jan. *Signed and sealed.*

Add.: To my lord Legate's grace. *Endd.*

28 Jan. **5233.** SCOTLAND.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 285. Confirmation by James V. of the indenture for the truce of 12th December, made by Wm. Scot, Adam Ottirburn, and Andrew Ker, on the one side, and Tho. Magnus, Anth. Ughtred and Tho. Tempest, on the other. Edinburgh, 28 Jan. 1528. *Seal.*

R. O. Rym. XIV. 286. 2. Confirmation by the same of the treaty of Berwick. Edinburgh, 28 Jan. 1528.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 286. 3. Commission by the same to George Ker to give and receive letters confirmatory of the same. Edinburgh, 28 Jan. 1528. *Seal.*

29 Jan. **5234.** CARDINAL JOHN SALVIATI to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 47. B. M. Wrote last on the 23rd, and has received his of the 21st. Will do all that Wolsey desires when the English ambassadors return. Sends letters

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from Rome, by which Wolsey will see that the news about Aquila is confirmed, and that, owing to the ill behavior of the Colonnese soldiers, the inhabitants opened the gates to the troops of Camillo Pardo Ursini. In Lombardy, St. Pôl is said to have . . . . thousand foot, and 1,000 others under . . . . Gonzaga and D. Caynini, who intend to take Casetum, and prevent the 1,800 foot at Arquato from joining those at Milan. The Pope caught cold on the 5th, from resting under a tree, which increased to a fever. Leeches were applied on the 21st. Received this news by a special messenger sent by his mother. His death would be the ruin of the See Apostolic and of Italy. Hippolito de Medici and a nephew of Andrew de Auria have been created cardinals, and also the cardinal S. Crucis, although he was declared a cardinal when in Spain. He has put off his journey to Naples on account of the Pope's illness. The prince of Orange writes to the Pope that he has a commission to restore the cardinals and the castles. The messenger says they are already liberated, and on their way to [Ro]me. Paris, 29 Jan. 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2, mutilated. Endd. at f. 53 b.

30 Jan. **5235.** GREGORY CASALE and PETER VANNES to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 50. B.M.

The difficulty about the bull for erecting abbeys into cathedrals arises from this, that most of the Cardinals think it will detract from the honor of the See of Rome if bishops are created except at Rome, or receive their investiture from any one but the Pope. Told them the reasons for Wolsey's request. Cardinal Farnese said that the King's dignity and Wolsey's merits gave weight to their requests. Some, however, still cling to the former opinion, and desire Wolsey to relinquish it. Cardinals SS. Quatuor, Farnese, of Mantua, and De Monte have some hope of obtaining it, for the last has found something to refute the reasons of the Cardinals. They all agree that the first *annata* must be paid, and cardinal S. Quatuor says that Wolsey granted it in his letter. Send a copy of the clause referred to. If it has to be paid Wolsey must provide money, for there is no trust put in promises here. "Cardinalis S. Quatuor ait annatæ summam futuram te[rtiam] partem illius portionis quæ episcopo assig[netur]."

Are trying to obtain a deduction from the 1,200 ducats for the expedition of the see of Winchester, in which they are opposed by the Neapolitans and Imperialists, who are eager for money. Have made them the offers mentioned in the last letters. Advises Wolsey to write, making a final offer of 5,000 or 6,000 ducats. Reminds him that they want money in consequence of the bankruptcy of the merchants. Rome, 30 Jan. M.D.[XXVIII.] *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 5, mutilated.

Vit. B. XI. 49. B.M.

ii. The clause in Wolsey's letter referred to in the preceding.

"Quod vero unum vereri possent, ne re hic diffinita annata Sedi Apostolicæ non caveretur, meam fidem facio, maximis id securitatibus providendum ut nullum inde Sedi Apostolicæ detrimentum generetur, id quod vos meo nomine promittere volo, ac quibuscunque cautionibus polliceri."

30 Jan. **5236.** BISHOP FISHER.

Turner's L. of Fisher. II. 303.

1. Decree of the University of Cambridge for the anniversary of Fisher. Cambridge, 30 Jan. 1528.

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2. Letter of compliments to the Bishop. From the Senate, prid. [cal. Feb.]

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31 Jan. **5237.** STEPHEN GARDY[NER] to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 47*. B. M.

Arrived here on Saturday morning at 7 o'clock. Found Mr. Secretary and Benet waiting for him. Will proceed towards Rome tomorrow. The news of the Pope's sickness, which he wrote from Paris, is confirmed. It is thought he is rather better, for there are no tidings to the contrary, "w[hich it] is to be thought shall soon be spread abroad; howbeit, forasmuch as your Grace, in instructions now given to Master Brian a[nd to] Master Peter, noteth the prophecy of Angelus to . . . . . pope, there chances in this time of the world so m[any] things *vaticiniis prædicta*, that these tidings do much [har]me, considering that of one writing de calamitatibus p[apæ] subjungitur, Papa cito moritur, which if it should ch[ance, as] God forbid it should, the commission given to your Grace [and to] my lord Campegius, *morte pontificis concedentis*, were [wholly] extinct and annihilate, unless the same were "in illius . . . . . cepta exequi et perpetuata, which may be done solo decre[to] citacionis," as Dr. Wolman and Dr. Bel can show. This event may not happen, but he knows how displeased the King would be if what has been obtained should be rendered useless. Lyons, 31 Jan.

Hol., p. 1, *mutilated. Add.:* To my lord Legate's good grace.

31 Jan. **5238.** ——— to ———.

Cal. E. I. 95. B. M.

Will learn the news of the Pope's death from the letters of the Grand Master. As the news is important they have despatched the courier. Begs he may be sent back again. He is to get Wolsey and Campegius to write to the College not to proceed to an election before the French cardinals have arrived, and get them to preserve neutrality, by which the peace of Christendom may be secured. If they consent to write, is to despatch their letters with all diligence. Despatches from Italy.—Need not write at greater length, as he will learn the news from Douarty, who will start tomorrow. "Ce Pl . . . . de Pie," 31 Jan. *Signature burnt off.*

Fr., mutilated, pp. 2.

Jan. **5239.** RICHARD BANK.

R. O.

Mich. term, 20 Hen. VIII.—Complaint of Sir John Husey against Richard Bank, for having, on 1 Sept. 20 Hen. VIII., forcibly broken into and entered the close of the said Sir John at Enfeld, Middx., and done damage to him to the extent of 10*l.*

"Ca. r. Sabbati prox. Octab. Hillarii; pleg. de pros., Johannes Luntley, Thomas Mercer."

In Banks's hand, p. 1.

5240. [J. HACKETT to BRIAN TUKE.]

Gal. B. IX. 146. B. M.

Wrote last on Jan. 28. Has since received a letter from him, dated 25 Jan., with instructions. Thanks him for the trouble he has taken about his arrears, of which Mr. Bowyer has received 100*l.*, in Hacket's name, in part payment. Hopes the rest has been paid either to him or to Legh.

The bishop of Brix, the Emperor's bastard uncle, and Gerard Mullart, the Emperor's ambassadors, left this place on the 6th, with about thirty-six horses, for Hamburg. Two days before they left a herald came from the king of Sweden with the ratification of the peace concluded with the Emperor, which is both offensive and defensive. The herald declared to "the queen Regent" that, if Lubeck and Hamburg will not agree to the

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Emperor's mind at this diet of Estland, the king of Sweden has all his ships ready to assist the Emperor's army. He said also that the French king and the king of England are urging the Lutheran princes, as well as Lubeck and Hamburg, not to yield to the Emperor's "cupitious" desires. "The queen Regent" answered that one of the burgomasters of Hamburg was with her with credence, by which she doubts not that they will agree with the Emperor and the king of Sweden, without asking counsel of England or France; and if they did not, they would repent it. The herald said they could not choose but repent it, and that his master had confiscated all goods belonging to Lubeck and Hamburgh merchants in his realm, and will continue to do so.

Hears that he is not of so great power as his herald makes brags. Mons. de Lassow is despatched with the Regent's letters to the Emperor. Another gentleman of the Emperor, Mons. de Garsbek, is waiting for news from the diet of Hamburg, which he will convey to the Emperor. Cannot perceive that the people here wish to begin a war with their neighbors. It were not meet for them to do so unless they were compelled, for they lack money.

Hears from Spain that Mr. Cornelis Schiperius, who was don Fernando's ambassador with the Turk, and was sent a while ago by Fernando to the Emperor, through these countries, is now of late ———.

Pp. 4, *hol., imperfect.*

5241. LORD DARCY.

R. O. "For a trew answer of their bill of Rothwell, putt in termino Hillarii a° xx° R. H. viij."

A list of the tenants of Rothwell.

Pp. 4, *in Darcy's hand.*

5242. ERASMUS to PETER BISHOP OF CRACOW.

Er. Ep. p. 1143. Gives an account of the reasons which induced him to transfer the dedication to his edition of Seneca from Thomas Ruthal bishop of Durham to another name, and of the cooling of the Bishop's friendship towards him when in England. Basle, — Jan. 1529.

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5243. GRANTS in JANUARY 1529.

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2. Edw. Smetyng *alias* Smytting, merchant of Haunce. Protection from arrest, &c. Greenw., 23 Dec. 20 Hen.VIII. *Del.* 2 Jan.—P.S.

3. Brian Tuke. Grant, in tail male, of the reversion of the manors of Thorpe and Thorpehall and Sarstell, Essex, with advowsons, &c. late belonging to Edw. duke of Buckingham, attainted, and afterwards granted in tail male to Sir Rob. Wingfield; to hold to the said Brian, &c. on the death, without heir male of his body, of the said Robert. *Del.* Westm., 3 Jan. 20 Hen.VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 37.

4. Hen. Fysche, tailor, native of Opyke, in the county of Flanders. Denization. Westm., 4 Jan.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

4. Jas. Pytman, cordwainer, native of Gueldres, in the duchy of Gelderland. Denization. Westm., 4 Jan. — *Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

8. Geo. Cely, gent. usher of the Chamber. Licence to export 200 tuns of double beer. *Del.* Westm., 8 Jan. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

8. The dean and canons of St. George's college, Windsor, proprietaries of the house or hospital of St. Anthony, London. Protection for their land and property in Calais, Hammes and Guysnes, and the marches thereof. Westm., 29 April 20 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 8 Jan.—S.B.

12. Tho. Garton, page of the Wardrobe. To be the King's arras-maker, with 6*d.* a

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day. Greenw., 29 Dec. 20 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Jan.—P.S.

17. Jerome West, one of the pages of the Chamber. Custody of the manor of Stekeley, Derb., lately held by Ankerus Frechevyle, of the gift of Peter Frechevyle; to hold during the minority of Peter, kinsman and heir of the said Peter. Hampton Court, 17 Jan. 20 Hen.VIII.—P.S.

17. Franc. Woodlyke, native of Brabant. Denization. *Del.* Westm., 17 Jan. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 17.

20. Ric. Crokes, of London, goldsmith, *alias* Nottingham pursuivant to the duke of Richmond. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Rob. Wingfield. Hundesdon, 23 June 20 Hen. VIII. *Teste* H.C. [Hampton Court], 20 Jan.—P.S.

20. John Mustyng, late servant to the countess of Richmond and Derby. To be chief arras-maker to the King, with 10*l.* annually, *vice* Cornelius van Strete. Hampton Court, 9 Jan. 20 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 Jan.—P.S.

20. Wm. Wolofer, of Byston, Norf., mariner, native of Farrey [Ferroe islands], in the dominions of the king of Denmark. Denization. Westm. 20 Jan.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

21. Tho. Curwen. To be one of the foresters or keepers of Gawtresse forest, Yorks., with 4*d.* a day, *vice* Edw. Woodes. Greenw., 23 Dec. 20 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 21 Jan.—S.B.

25. John Roydon, native of Saxony, licentiate in medicine. Denization. *Del.* Westm., 25 Jan. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

26. Commissions of the Peace.

Hants: Tho. card. of York, Wm. abp. of Canterbury, J. bp. of Bath and Wells, T. bp. of Bangor, T. duke of Norfolk, Arth. viscount Lysle, Wm. prior of St. John's of Jerusalem, Hen. lord Mountegewe, John Tuchet lord Audley, Wm. lord Sandes, Sir John Fitzjames, Wm. Shelley, Sir Wm. Paulett, Sir Tho. Lysle, Sir Ric. Sandys, Sir Jas. Worsley, Sir Wm. Gifford, Sir Geo. Puttenham, Sir Rob. Wallop, Ric. Lyster, Wm. Frost, Ralph Pexsall, Jas. Bettys, Wm. Dysney, Ric. Palshide, Steph. Coope, Rob. Bulkeley, Nic. Tichebourne, Hen. White, Tho. Haydok, Edm. Mervyn, Wm. Hawles and John Wyntreshull. Westm., 26 Jan.

Suffolk: Tho. card. of York, R. bp. of Norwich, N. bp. of Ely, Tho. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Rob. viscount Fitzwater, Rob. lord Curson, J. abbot of Bury St. Edmunds, Sir Rob. Brudenell, Sir Ric. Broke, Sir Rob. Drury, Sir Arthur Hopton, Sir Anth. Wyngfeld, Sir Wm. Clopton, Sir Tho. Tyrell of Gipping, Sir Tho. Tay, Sir Humph. Wyngfeld, Tho. Lucas, John Jernegan, Lionel Talmage, Tho. Barnardeston, John Sulyard, Tho. Jermyn, Tho. Russhe, John Hennyngham, John Harvy of Oulton, Edm. Lee, Rob. Raynold, jun., Clement Higham and Wm. Drury. As above.

Somerset.: Tho. card. of York, J. bp. of Bath and Wells, Tho. duke of Norfolk, Hen. marq. of Exeter, W. bp. of Majorensis,* Hen. lord Montague, John Tuchett lord Audley, John Bourchier lord Fitzwaren, Edw. lord Stourton, Hen. lord Daubeney, Sir John Fitzjames, Wm. Shelley, Sir Wm. Paulet, Sir Wm. Stourton, Sir Nich. Wadham, Sir Edw. Gorge, John Stowell, Tho. Clerke, John Horsey, John Brytt, Baldwin Malett, John Fitzjames, jun., Phil. Phuford, Tho. Jubbes, Wm. Vowell, Roger York, Jas. Hadley, John Cave, John Porter and Wm. Portman. As above.

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Salop: Tho. card. of York, J. bp. of Exeter, G. bp. of Coventry and Lichfield, C. bp. of Hereford, T. bp. of Bangor, Tho. duke of Norfolk, Wm. earl of Arundel, Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, Walt. Devereux lord Ferrers, Edw. Sutton lord Dudley, Sir John Porte, Wm. Rudhale, Jas. Denton, clk., Sir Edw. Croftes, Sir Wm. Morgan, John Russell, John Salter, Geo. Bromeley, John Leighton, John Blount, Ric. Horde, Arth. Newton, Tho. Kakyn, Ric. Foster, Ric. Selman, Tho. Newport and Wm. Chorleton. Westm., 26 Jan.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 4*d.*

26. Simon Dixon, draper, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Rob. Wingfeld. *Teste* 26 Jan. 20 Hen.VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 10.

27. Anth. Knyvet, gent. usher of the Privy Chamber, and Rob. Acres, yeoman of the Guard. Grant, in survivorship, of the offices of bailiff and keeper of Barkeswell park, Warw., with the herbage and pannage thereof, *vice* Sir Wm. Compton. *Del.* Westm., 27 Jan. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B.—— Vacated on surrender, 9 Nov. 37 Hen.VIII., in order that another patent might be made to the said Rob. and John Hygford.—*Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 19.

28. Gaol Delivery.

Bedford castle: At Elnestowe,—Sir Rob. Brudenell, Sir Ric. Broke, Tho. Fitzhugh and Wm. Wyat.

Aylesbury gaol: The same.

Cambridge castle: The same.

Huntyngdon castle: The same.

Norwich castle: The same.

Bury St. Edmunds gaol: The same.

* Majorensis or Majonensis, the bishopric of Anthedon, in Palestine. Pegge has the name "W. Gilbert episcopus Majorensis," 1516–26.

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Ipswich gaol: The same.

Colchester castle: At Stratforde Longthorne, Essex,—Sir John More, Tho. Inglefeld and Ric. Lyndesell.

Guildford castle: The same.

Lewes castle: The same.

Canterbury castle: The same.

Oxford castle: Sir John Porte, Wm. Rudhale and Tho. Brudenell.

Gloucester castle: The same.

Worcester castle: The same.

Hereford castle: The same.

Shrewsbury castle: The same.

Stafford gaol: The same.

York castle: Sir Anth. Fitzherbert, Ric. Lister and Jas. Fox.

York city gaol: The same.

Winchester castle: Sir John Fitzjames, Wm. Shelley and Rob. Dacre.

Fyssherton Anger gaol: The same.

Ilchester gaol: The same.

Dorchester gaol: The same.

Exeter castle: The same.

Launceston castle: The same.

Northampton castle: Sir Humph. Conyngesby, Rob. Norwich and John Jenour.

Okeham gaol: The same.

Lincoln gaol: The same.

Lincoln (city) gaol: The same.

Nottingham gaol: The same.

Nottingham (town) gaol: The same.

Derby gaol: The same.

Leicester (town) gaol: The same.

Leicester gaol. The same.

Coventry gaol: The same.

Warwick (county) gaol: The same.

Westm., 28 Jan.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 20*d.*

28. Commissions of the Peace.

Wilts: Tho. card. of York, Tho. duke of Norfolk, Hen. lord Montague, Edw. lord Stourton, John Tuchet lord Audley, Sir John Fitzjames, Wm. Shelley, Ric. abbot of Malmesbury, Sir Wm. Paulet, Sir Edw. Darell, Sir John Bourgchier, Sir John Seymour, Sir Hen. Long, Sir Wm. Stourton, Sir Edw. Baynton, Sir John Essex, Sir Edm. Tame, Sir John Brugges, Sir Anth. Hungerford, Sir Edw. Seymour, Ric. Lyster, Walt. Hungerford, Tho. Benett, clk., Ric. Hilley, clk., Tho. Elyott, Rob. Baynard, Anth. Stilman, Tho. Yorke, Wm. Ludlowe, Tho. Aprice, Barth. Hussey, John Bonham, Chas. Bulkeley, Rob. Wye and Jas. Lowder. Westm., 28 Jan.

Warwickshire: Tho. card. of York, G. bp. of Coventry and Lichfield, Tho. duke of Norfolk, Tho. marq. of Dorset, Wm. prior of St. John's of Jerusalem in England, Edw. Sutton lord Dudley, ———* abbot of Kyllyngworth, Sir Humph. Conyngesby, Rob. Norwich, Sir Geo. Throkmarton, Sir Edw. Ferrers, Sir Edw. Grey, Sir John Willoughby, Roger Wigston, Wm. Feldyng, John Smyth, Edw. Conwey, Tho. Trye, Reginald Dygby, Tho. Ardern, Simon Mountford, Rob. Fulwood, Tho. Slade, Ric. Verney, John Waldyff, Wm. Willyngton, Tho. Holt, Baldwin Porter and Ric. Willes. As above.

Pat. 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 5*d.*

Sussex: Tho. card. of York, W. abp. of Canterbury, R. bp. of Chichester, Tho. duke of Norfolk, Wm. earl of Arundel, Hen. earl of Northumberland, Arth. visc. Lisle, Tho. visc. Rocheford, Hen. lord Montague, Geo. Nevell lord Burgevenny, Tho. West lord De la Warr, Tho. Fynes lord Dacre, Sir John More, Tho. Inglefeld, Wm. Shelley, Sir Tho. Nevell, Sir Edw. Oxenbrigge, Dav. Owen, Sir And. Wyndesore, Sir John Gage, Sir Edw. Nevell, Sir Alex. Culpeper, Sir Wm. Fynche, Sir Wm. Pelham, Sir Hen. Owen, Sir John Dawtrey, Sir Ric. Shirley, Sir Edw. Bray, Sir Roger Copley, Sir Wm. Goryng, John Halys, Ric. Lyster, Geoff. Poole, Hen. Darell, Ric. Covert, Ric. Devenysshe, Tho. Thetcher, Wm. Scardevile, Ric. Sakevile, John Palmer, John Stanney, Tho. Shirley, Wm. Waller, Wm. Staple and John Parker, jun. Westm., 28 Jan.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 2*d.*

York, East Riding: Tho. card. of York, Tho. duke of Norfolk, Hen. earl of Northumberland, Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, Tho. earl of Rutland, Tho. lord Darcy, Ric. Nevell lord Latymer, Sir Anth. Fitzherbert, Ric. Lyster, attorney general, Tho. Magnus, clk., Brian Higden, clk., dean of York, Sir Wm. Parre, Sir Wm. Percye, Sir Wm. Bulmer, Sir Godfrey Fuljambe, Sir Tho. Tempest, Sir Wm. Eures, Wm. Holgill, clk., Wm. Frankeleyn, clk., Sir Ralph Eure, Sir Rob. Constable, Sir Rob. Aske, Sir Wm. Gascoign of Cardyngton, Sir Ralph Ellerker, jun., Sir Peter Vavasour, Sir Marmaduke Constable, Sir Wm. Constable of Hatfeld, Tho. Fairfax, serjeant-at-law, Wm. Tate, clk., Walt. Luke, Rob. Bowes, Wm. Eleson, Ric. Smetheley, Rob. Creyke of Beverley, Wm. Babthorp, Christ. Thyrkill, sen., John Talbot and Wm. Thwaytes. As above.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 3*d.*

28. Rob. Davell, D.D. Presentation to the hospital of the Virgin Mary, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, commonly called "the West Spitle," Durham dioc., *vice* John Bride, clk. *Del.* Westm., 28 Jan. 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 9.

28. Wm. Griffith, late of Southwark, yeoman. Pardon. Beaulieu, 26 Aug. 19 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 Jan.—P.S.

28. John bp. of Bath and Wells. Inspeximus and confirmation of charter, 7 June

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19 Edw. I., being a grant to Rob. bp. of Bath and Wells, and his successors, of a market and fair at their manor of Lideard, Somers. Westm. 28 Jan.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII.* *p.* 2, *m.* 15.

29. Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, treasurer of the Household, and Sir Anth. Browne. To be keepers of the great park of Windsor, *vice* Sir Wm. Compton. *Del.* Westm., 29 Jan. 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

5244. [FRANCIS I.] to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

Cal. D. x. 330. B. M.

"[Monsieur d]e Bayonne, j'ay receu voz longues l[ettres, et bi]en au long entendu le contenu d'icelles, ou vous . . . . . discouryr les propoz que vous avez euz avec M[ons. le Cardinal] mon bon amy et ce qu'il vous a mis en ava[nt touchant le] faict de ceste paix; enquoy je scay laffe[ction et amour,] non seullement de luy, mais du Roy mon b[on frere et perpetuel] allie, estre autant encline que je l'y sauroys moy . . . . . encores que la chose de plus pres me touche qu[e nulle autre] quel qu'il soit; et quant a la responce qu'il vous [dit avoir] este faicte en Espaigne au collecteur, Messire S . . . . . entendu de luy bien au long en passant parcy, le . . . . . tout son voyaige, et ce qui luy a este respondu s[ur la charge] qu'il avoit; qui m'a faict clairement juger et cr[oyre] . . . . . de dela peu de volonte d'entendre a ladite paix s'ilz [n'y soient] contrainctz par autre moyen qu'ilz ne l'ont este jusqu[es icy]. Toutesfoyz, affin que je ne soye veu en aucu[ne chose] dilayer ou reffuser les moyens et occasions qui [peuvent] offrir pour y pouvoyr parvenir, je treuve l'op[inion] de Monsieur le Cardinal, mon bon amy, tres raiso[nnable], et ne suis delibere n'en laisser perdre [occasion] qui me puisse estre presentee s'il * * * * *
[a]u fondement. Et combien que ma res[olution est] de ny faire ny entreprandre jamais [chose sans le] sceu et consentement dudit Roy mon bon fre[re et perpetuel] allye, et de ne permectre, s'il est possible, [que aucune] chose passe par autres mains que par les sy[ennes]; toutesfoiz, ayant entendu par vostre dite lettre que mondit [sieur le] Cardinal, mon bon amy, ne trouveroit mauvais que [l'on] essayast le moyen de nostre Sainct Pere dont . . . . . escript que le cardinal Salviati m'avoit derreniere[ment] parle, je suis bien d'advis de mectre paine d'en[tendre] quel fondement et seurete sy pourroit trouver, p . . . . . apres selon que ledit Roy mon bon frere, et mo[ndit sieur le] Cardinal, mon bon amy, me vouldroient conseiller et . . . . . savoir depescher communement personnaiges avecques . . . . . pour y entendre, ainsy que raisonnablement il se p[ourra] et devra faire, ne s'estant accorde nostredit St. Pere avecques le[mpereur], comme je suis adverty de plusieurs lieux qu'il est.

"Quant a l'autre point touche en vostredite lettre, que mondit sieur le Cardinal, mon bon amy, seroit d'advis qu'on essayast affin de [ne] refuser ny laisser en arriere ung seul moyen de . . . . . [que] se pourront penser et ymaginer pour parven[ir]" * * *

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5245. [FRANCIS I.] to the [BISHOP OF BAYONNE.]†

Cal. D. x. 329. B. M.

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. . . . . "seroit d'entendre au moyen mesmes . . . . . diffye toutesfoyz de sy bonne sorte que . . . . . cavillation elle retumbast a son deshonneur et . . . . . allegant sur ce

† Perhaps a continuation of the preceding.

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l'excuse que ledit Empereur pra . . . . . qu'il dit estre entre ledit Roy mon bon frere et . . . . . vuyder il treuve tresdifficille de se pouvoy[r] . . . . . pour les seuretez dont il a promis et offert . . . . . foy et promesse en faisant traicte de la dite paix . . . . . de mes enffans, et que a ceste cause il seroit [content qu'il] se feist prealablement une paix entre eulx de [ne] riens changer ne innover, mais seullement r[emettre] les choses en l'estat qu'elles estoient avant l'yntim[ation de] guerre, estimant que la dessus se pourra par ap[res] facillement dresser une bonne conclusion de paix . . . . . par degrez le contenu au memoyre que vous m'avez [envoye ;] vous luy pourrez sur ce respondre que encores que . . . . . son intencion en cela estre entiere et sans aucune . . . . . pour la seurete et fiance que j'ay en luy, tou[tesfois je] ne vous puis dire combien il seroit estrange . . . . . a tous mes alliez et confederez de veoyr le [Roy mon bon frere] et perpetuel allye que j'estime et a[ime comme mon] meilleur et principal amy et sy es[troitment lie avec] moy comme il est, prandre amytie tra . . . . . sans moy avecques nostre commung ennemy . . . . . qu'il seroit bien malaise encores que ce feust . . . . . garder qu'ilz ne pensassent que je feusse del[aisse ni] habandonne de luy, chose que non seullement . . . . . impossible de pouvoyr advenir, mais de laquelle [je ne] vueil de ma part en quelque sorte que ce soit [donne] occasion a personne d'en riens doubter ny souspe[conner. Et pour ce,] Mons. de Bayonne, et que cest moyen comme il . . . . . tres cler qui m'est mis en avant par l'Empereur pour nulle [autre] occasion que pour tascher de tout son pouvoyr, ainsi q[u'il] a tres bien essaye jusques icy, de separer et des[joindre] ledit Roy mon bon frere et perpetuel allye d'avecqu[es moy,] pensant par ce moyen alterer et diminuer la bonne et in[dissoluble] amytie et perpetuelle alliance qui est entre nous, je v[ous] prye vouloyr bien dire et faire entendre sur ce a Mon[sieur] le Cardinal mon bon amy que j'estime la paine qu'il a pris[e] non seullement a croystre et nourrir la dite amytie entre nous, mais a la garder et conserver jusques icy, tell[e et de] sy grand fruict et sy bien employee que je" * * *

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Feb. **5246.** FRANCIS I. to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

Cal. D. x. 331. B. M. "[Mons. de] Bayonne, actend[ant la depesche de Perot Douarty] pour aller pardela, y puiss[iez] . . . . . ce porteur, qui s'y en va en diligen[ce] . . . . . nouvelle que j'ay eue quant a la sante [de] . . . . . on m'escript de Venise, et semblablement de . . . . . a convalescence. Depuis le xix^e du moys p[asse] . . . . . n'ay je eu, ny dela ny d'ailleurs, certainete de . . . . . de quoy incontinant je vous advertiray pour le [faire entendre au] Roy mon bon frere et a Mons. le Cardinal mon [bon amy. Et] ce pendant vous ferez entendre les choses des[susdites] . . . . . que par ledit Perot Douarty ilz seront bien tost plus [au long advertis] de toutes choses." P[aris] . . . . . Feb. 1528. *Signed.*

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1 Feb. **5247.** GUISNES.

R. O. Ordinances for the town and county of Guisnes by the King's justices and commissioners, Wm. lord Sandes, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, John Halys, Christr. Halys and Wm. Briswode ; delivered to the baily and freemen of Guisnes in the King's open court holden there. 1 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII. *Pp.* 36.

R. O. 2. Duplicate. *Pp.* 26.

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1 Feb. **5248.** For GEORGE BULLEYN.

S. B. To be chief steward of the honor of Beaulieu, Essex, and of all possessions which are annexed by authority of Parliament or otherwise, and keeper of the New Park there, in the manor of Newehall; with 10*l.* a year for the former, and 3*d.* a day for the latter; *vice* William Cary. *Del.* Westm., 1 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII.

Pat. p. 1, *m.* 36.

1 Feb. **5249.** CARDINAL BOURBON to FRANCIS I.

Le Grand, III. 304. Has received his letters about the dangerous illness of the Pope, commanding his immediate presence. Regrets that an accident, of which the Grand Master will inform him, will prevent his coming so soon as he would wish. La Fere, 1 Feb.

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2 Feb. **5250.** COUNT DE CARPI to MONS. ———.

Le Grand, III. 296. Yesterday, the treasurer, Grollier, spoke to me from you of the present occurrences, desiring me to give my opinion to Francis and you, what should be done in case of the Pope's death. I gave him my opinion by word of mouth, but I think it right to draw up this little memorandum also, as my illness will not permit me to go to the King and you myself. The Treasurer also assured me on your part that you would take good order about my private business, though you had not been able to see to it yet. Thanks him for this intimation. Paris, 2 Feb. *Signed:* De Carpi.

ii. Roll of the cardinals who will probably take the Imperial side, with comments upon the name of each.

iii. Roll of the cardinals who will be of the opposite party.

iv. Cardinals who may be gained by one or other party.

v. Absent cardinals.

vi. Opinion above referred to.—Thinks Francis should write to the Sacred College, offering all his forces for the protection of the Church, and to secure the freedom of the election. The French ambassadors also should be instructed to hold like language, and, if they find the Imperialists inclined to use force, protest to the College that they should refuse to enter the conclave, or come out after they have entered, and retire to some place where they can conduct the election in surety.

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3 Feb. **5251.** GREGORY CASALE and PETER VANNES to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 54. B. M. Write in great haste by a person who is going to the count of St. Pôl. Hear from a sure and secret quarter that the Pope's disease has increased to delirium and vomiting, and his life is despaired of.

D . . . . . does all that the King and Wolsey could expect from any one. Have written to St. Pôl to ask the French king to send the French cardinals to the frontiers, for unless the new Pope is created by our faction the French will be able to do nothing. Cardinals Triulzi and Pisano, who have been lately released, are coming hither. As to the bishopric of Winchester, it was hard to make the Cardinals reduce the sum of 12,000 ducats proposed by the Pope, but they have now consented to 8,000. The money must be at once provided. Are attending to the King's matters. Rome, 3 Feb. 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2, *Vannes' hand, mutilated. Address pasted on.*

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3 Feb. **5252.** CHARLES [DUKE OF VENDOSME] to HENRY VIII.

[Cal. E. I. II. ?] I. 189.

Has received his letter expressing Henry's sense of his services to promote the amity of the two Crowns. His journey to Marquise had been at the command of the King his master to promote Henry's affairs. La Fere sur Oise, 3 Feb. *Signed.*

Fr., mutilated, p. 1. *Add.*

3 Feb. **5253.** JAMES V. to HENRY VIII.

Cal. B. I. 293. B. M. St. P. IV. 546.

Has received his letters, dated Bridewell, 9 Dec. Finds by the credence of Magnus he is "in ane part commovit" at his writings, dated Edinburgh, 20 Oct. Hopes the message he sent by Magnus in return will have satisfied him that James regards him as his most assured friend. If he sought a rupture it would be to his own destruction. Begs him to consider he has done more for Angus at Henry's desire than he would have done for all the world; but Angus refused his offer of pardon, meaning to cause a breach between the realms. Has given Magnus a credence, which he hopes will induce Henry to withdraw his favor from Angus. Hopes to bring the Borders into good rule, according to the ordinance of the commissioners at their last meeting in Berwick. The West Borders are at a good point, there is little complaint of the Middle Marches, and the matter of Liddesdale is in such train as probably not to give much trouble. Hopes Henry will have patience while he takes order for the minority of the earl Bothvile, lord of the land. Has had more trouble with that than any of the other Borders. Edinburgh, 3 Feb. *Signed.*

Add.

3. Feb. **5254.** JAMES V. to WOLSEY.

Cal. B. I. 308. B. M.

Has received his letter, dated at Westminster, 9 Dec. Perceives by it, and by the report of Magnus, Wolsey's continual labor for peace. Prays him to continue it. Has written at great length to the King as to the matters of the Borders, and Archibald "sum" (sometime?) earl of Augus and his complices. Desires credence for Magnus. Edinburgh, 3 Feb.

P. 1. *Add.:* "To ane maist reverend father in God, ye cardinale of York and legat of Ingland." *Endd.*

4 Feb. **5255.** YNIGO DE MENDOZA to [CHARLES V.]

Add. MS. 28578, f. 16. B. M.

Wrote in his last how the Queen had been compelled to send a messenger with a letter under her hand for the brief which is in the Emperor's possession. The messenger whom she first sent, by name Francis Philip, was obliged to return (*se volvio malo del camino*), and the Queen sent two others, one of whom she did not trust, and accordingly she sent with him a Spaniard, named Montoya, by sea.

They attach much more importance here to the brief which the Emperor has than to the dispensation, and do all they can to get hold of it. I believe they have word from Rome that it is not found in the register,—so it must be kept all the more securely, and care must be taken, even in giving a copy, that there be no mistake about it. It would be very desirable that it should be seen by the English ambassadors before it is used. Has received from the ambassador at Rome the protestation made upon this subject. Thinks he has used every effort to get the cause revoked to Rome. For this it is expedient that the Queen should send a power to decline this tribunal, or at least a letter under her hand, by which her will might be apparent. The power cannot be sent, because the Queen is surrounded by spies in her own chamber. The letter she [may find?] a place to write, although with great difficulty, by which the Pope will see alike the little liberty she is allowed,

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and that she approves of the requests made on her behalf by the Emperor's ambassador.

Thinks this will be sufficient to silence these judges, and get the cause removed into the Consistory. Campeggio has always written hitherto, notwithstanding his commission, that proceedings shall in no wise commence here until he receives a new mandate; and the King, knowing this, has sent a gentleman of his chamber, and a learned man, to the Pope, to press the matter. Believes the Emperor's just favor will weigh more than their unjust demands.

This lady, who is the cause of all the disorder, finding her marriage delayed, that she thought herself so sure of, entertains great suspicion that this Cardinal of England puts impediments in her way, from a belief that if she were Queen his power would decline. In this suspicion she is joined by her father, and the two dukes of Suffolk and Norfolk, who have combined to overthrow the Cardinal; but as yet they have made no impression on the King, except that he shows him in court not quite so good countenance as he did, and that he has said some disagreeable words to him. Is informed that the French king with this King and the Cardinal have urged the Pope to go to Avignon, where they will all meet, and arrange to stop the Emperor's going to Italy. Has not been able to learn the Pope's answer Has given notice to the Emperor's ambassador in Rome by cipher.

Every day matters turn up about the Queen, for which it is needful to dispatch couriers to Rome, but she has so little liberty that she is unable to find a messenger, and refers everything to me; nor can I myself do anything but send the despatches to Mons. Hochstrat, to whom I request you will write to use all diligence in sending couriers.

Touching the continuation of the truce, the Cardinal has spoken to me urgently enough, and has written still more pressingly to the king of France. Expects, when the answer arrives from the Emperor, Mendoza's licence will already have come.

The Spanish ships which the French had fought with in the harbour, and which were arrested until it could be found who was the aggressor, have been allowed to depart, and restitution is to be made of the goods. Fears, however, that much has been hidden away and distributed.

Wrote lately of the order made about foreigners. It has been directed principally against Flemings, of whom there are more than 20,000 or 30,000 in the kingdom, who have begun to leave. The order as yet has only been carried out with regard to one trade, but it will henceforth be applied to all.

Has just heard that the King has pressed the Legates so urgently to have the cause decided here that they have sent two secretaries to the Pope, and have given the King great hope of a favorable answer. The King is so hot upon it that there is nothing he does not promise to gain his end; and if the cause be tried here it may be considered as lost, for I have as little trust in the new legate as in the old one. Campeggio has done nothing for the Queen as yet, except to press her to enter religion.

The Emperor has done well to keep the ambassadors at a distance from the court, notwithstanding Wolsey's complaints of it, as their only occupation is to write what passes.

This letter has been written seven days, the ship having been detained longer than he expected.

News has come through France that the Pope is dead. Does not know if it is true, but has no doubt it has disconcerted them here, as they expected the Pope would be forced to comply with their wishes. It was told him by the Queen; and if it is not true, it is the fault of the French. London, 4 Feb.

Sp., pp. 10. *Headed:* De don Ynigo, a iiij. de Febrero 1529. *Modern copy from decipher in the archives at Simancas.*

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4 Feb. **5256.** The DUKE OF ALBANY to WOLSEY.

R. O. Thanks him for his offers made by his secretary Peter Vannes. Has heard from Francis a proposal made by the king of England, which he thinks very advantageous to the king of Scotland. Has given instructions about it to the bearer, the captain De la Roquette, which the King and Wolsey may diminish or augment as they think expedient. Paris, 4 Feb. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

4 Feb. **5257.** The DUKE OF ALBANY to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Knowing Henry's good will to the king of Scots, expresses his willingness to remedy the matters which the King communicated to Francis by his ambassadors* going to Rome. Desires credence for the captain De la Roquette, whom Francis is sending to England. Paris, 4 Feb. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

5258. ALBANY.

Cal. B. VI. 117. B. M. "Credence baillee depar le duc d'Albanye, &c., a maistre Jacques Lanis pour dire a Mons. reverendissme Mons. le cardinal d'Yorc, legat, primat et chancellier d'Angleterre."

Thanks Wolsey for his letters, and for the candor shown by them. The duke of Suffolk has sent to the king of France and to Albany expressing his master's desire for reform of the government of Scotland, and objecting to any alliance by marriage with the Emperor through his sister, the queen of Hungary, and the king of Scotland. If he wishes to prevent it, it will be necessary to act with promptitude, as the king of Scots desires it, and is urged to it by his subjects, as having no children. Encloses the copy of a letter the king of Scots had written to Albany on the subject. Francis and Madame are very sorry Wolsey was not there to manage the peace, and to promote the restoration of "Messieurs les enfans."

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4 Feb. **5259.** PAUL CASALE to VINCENT CASALE.

R. O. The Pope has pretty well recovered. As he could not take the purge nor retain any medicine, his physicians gave him four or five pills, which produced great evacuation; but on the day when he was thought to be better, he was again attacked by the fever, worse than usual, and was in great pain all night, with frequent vomiting and paroxysms in the head. His fever is very bad again today. They have great apprehensions about him. The Imperial ambassador has offered the citadel of Ostia, &c. to the college of Cardinals, on payment of 6,000 Spanish crowns.

Lat., p. 1. *Endd. Headed:* Ex literis D. Pauli Casalii ad D. Vincentium die iiij. Februarii Romæ datis.

Vit. B. XI. 55. B. M. 2. The same, in Italian.

Mutilated, copy.

4 Feb. **5260.** ABSTINENCE OF WAR.

Galba, B. IX. 110. B. M. Notification by the Emperor to the council of Flanders that the abstinence of war between himself and the kings of France and England, concluded for eight months from the 15th of last June, will endure until one of the contracting parties proclaims his intention to keep it no longer, giving two months' notice for the safety of merchants. Malines, 4 Feb. 1528.

Attested copy. Fr., pp. 2.

* Brian and Vannes.

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5 Feb. Vit. B. XI. 56. B. M.

5261. JOHN CASALE, the Prothonotary, to WOLSEY.

Wrote in his last letters that they heard the Pope was better, although the duke of Urbino wrote that he was dead. Encloses a copy of a letter from his brother at Rome. The Pope's maître d'hôtel writes that the fever which the Pope was expecting on that day, had not come on. The duke of Urbino has come hither to take counsel with the Signory for an attack on Milan. The Signory thinks the war should be resumed at once, and [the French king] has been asked to furnish St. Pôl with what he needs. A commencement will be made with the troops now under arms, and the Venetians will make a levy to reinforce them. Continues to encourage them to this enterprise, and to preserve Aquila, whither it had been determined to send 4,000 troops paid by the French king and by the Florentines. There has been a slight variance about it, for the Florentines say they do not wish to pay for troops to defend the Venetian cities in Apulia. Wolsey will hear more trustworthy news about the Emperor from Spain. The Turk's expedition seems to be put off this year. The Vayvode's ambassador says he has good news.

The abbot of Farfa, one of the heads of the Orsini, has just arrived. He is paid by St. Pôl to levy 2,000 foot to defend Aquila and Abruzzo. There is great scarcity of corn at Milan, and Antony de Leva has obtained permission from the duke of Savoy to bring 4,000 bushels from Vercelli. St. Pôl will try to intercept them, and also the 500 Spanish foot who have landed at Genoa. Venice, 5 Feb. 1529.

Has received letters from his brother, dated the 4th, of which he sends a copy. Venice, 9 Feb. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2, mutilated. Address pasted on. The endorsement pasted on the next page.

5 Feb. Add. MS. 27,447, f. 76. B. M.

5262. ELEANOR LADY RUTLAND to SIR WM. PASTON.

Has received his letter, and supposes he has heard from her brother Leeke about her chief business.

Asks him to move Hen. Digby to proceed in the probation of her Lord's testament, the finding of offices and other matters, and to send her word from time to time. Commits everything else to him. Desires her duty to her mother. Belvoir, 5 Feb. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my father, Sir Willm. Paston, knt.

5 Feb. R. O. St. P. IV. 551.

5263. QUEEN MARGARET to HENRY VIII.

Thanks the King for the honor he has shown to her at the confirming of this last peace, as explained to her by Magnus. Has informed Magnus of everything important in this realm, and shown him divers matters to the honor of England, partly touching herself. Hopes they will be duly weighed. Her affection for Henry has never abated, though some have reported the contrary, as Henry experienced when Margaret had the chief authority next her son. Edinburgh, 5 Feb. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

5 Feb. R. O.

5264. THE SAME to WOLSEY.

To the same effect. Edinburgh, 5 Feb. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

5 Feb. Nero, B. VII. 58. B. M.

5265. VENICE.

Deliberations in the council of the *Rogati* about sending gallies to England. Dated 14 Jan. and 5 Feb. 1529.

Ital., pp. 44.

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6 Feb. **5266.** CHARLES V. to BISHOP OF BURGOS.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 21. B. M.

Hears by various ways of the urgent efforts made by the king of England to obtain a divorce from his Queen, the Emperor's aunt; a thing which grieves him deeply, especially in the present scandalous state of the Christian commonwealth. Believes it must arise from the sinister persuasions of some who are about him. Has no doubt it will grieve all good subjects to the kingdom who know that this marriage was made by express permission of the Holy See, and has remained unquestioned so many years. The Emperor is compelled for his part to support his aunt, and has given charge to his ambassadors accordingly. He has also prayed the Pope that the cause may be determined in Consistory, and not in England. Desires the bishop to labor in this behalf in the Queen's name at Rome. Toledo, 6 Feb. 1529.

Spanish, pp. 4, modern copy from the Acad. de la Historia at Madrid.

5267. CHARLES V. to BISHOP OF BURGOS.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 57. B. M.

Has received his letters of 17 and 19 Nov. and 2 Dec. by Bilbao, but not the despatches which he says he sent by Sancho Martinez de Leyva.

Writes briefly, as the courier is about to depart to Bilbao. He will see by the letters carried by Monforte and Moqueron the diligence the Emperor has used in Spain, and also in Rome, in the matter of the queen of England. Has news from Rome that the ambassadors have used all diligence with the Pope to get him to revoke all commissions he has given about it, and remit the cognisance of the cause to Rome. Hears that the Pope has fallen sick, and is in danger of his life.

Spanish, pp. 2, modern copy.

6 Feb. **5268.** E. COPLAND, Priest, to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Passed the Christmas with Mr. Leson and Mr. Woke, a gentleman of Mr. Compton's council. Told them of Cromwell's pains about procuring him the benefice of Yardley, and that nothing remained but to reclaim the advowson which Sir Wm. Gascoyne has. They promised to speak to their master to ask for the advowson again. Asks him to urge this on them if he meets with them. Oxford, 6 Feb.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Thomas Cromwell, dwelling beside the Friar Augustines in London.

5269. HENRY VIII.

R. O.

Commission stating that the King has heard with great grief of the death of Pope Clement VII., and authorizes Steph. Gardiner, LL.D., Sir Fras. Bryan, Sir Gregory Casalius, and dom. Peter Vannes, to visit the Cardinals, and treat with them touching the election of a new Pope. They are to receive what moneys they require by way of loan in the King's name, and pledge the King and kingdom for repayment. Greenwich, — Feb. 1528, computation of the Church of England. *Signed by the King.*

On parchment. The royal arms are beautifully tricked at the head, with a large initial H. fancifully drawn and shaded with sepia.

Vit.B.xiv.118. B. M. Pocock's Records, II. 603.

2. Corrected draft of the preceding.

Badly mutilated. Endd.: " . . . . . commissionis factæ post [obitum] pontificis."

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5270. INSTRUCTIONS to GARDINER, BRIAN, GREGORY CASALE and VANNES at ROME.

Vit. B. XI. 67. B. M.

Since the departure of Gardiner the King has by sundry ways been advertised of the Pope's death, so that the charge committed to them cannot be executed. Considering the dissensions among Christian princes, and the prospect of the ruin of the See Apostolic unless the ambition of those who wish to exterminate it is repressed by the help of good and virtuous princes, it is necessary that such a head and common father should be chosen as can and will provide for the restoration of the Holy See, will have the assistance of virtuous princes, and can resist the inordinate ambition of the Emperor, who studies for his own exaltation to suppress the Church. The King's matrimonial cause, which has been committed to them, delay in which would bring manifold dangers, can only be settled by the special favor of the Head of the Church; and he is loth to recur to any remedy except the authority of the See Apostolic, if he can find there favor answering to his merits, of which favor he would be clearly deprived if the future Pope were a person of whom he was not perfectly assured. The French king is thoroughly united to him. When all the Cardinals are considered, none can be found furnished with the requisites before named, except Wolsey, who is well known to have as fervent zeal as any person for the tranquillity of Christendom, the restoration of the authority and rights of the Church and the See Apostolic, the weal and exaltation of the kings of England and France and their allies, and also for the perfection of the King's cause.

The French king has spontaneously offered to use his influence on his behalf. He is the only person who can cope with the inordinate ambition of the Emperor, establish tranquillity in Christendom, and prevent the injury which will ensue to the Church from the passage of the Emperor to Rome next January. The King expects that the Emperor will endeavor to obtain the election of a Pope who is devoted to him, and take from him all the rights and patrimony of the Church, using him as his vassal and chaplain, or else by little and little "extinct" him and his authority. The King desires them, therefore, to use every means to advance Wolsey's election, as that on which depends the making or marring of the King's cause.

If the future Pope were an enemy to the King, it would be impossible to obtain the King's desire. If he were indifferent, he would get nothing but fair words and delay, as has already been seen in one who had more cause to adhere to the King than to be indifferent. A list is enclosed of the Cardinals likely to be absent and present at the election. The names of those favorable to the kings of England and France are marked with "a," the Imperialists "e," and the neutrals "n." Thirty-nine Cardinals are expected to be present, and it will be sufficient to gain twenty-six. Twenty are thought to be friendly, so that six only need be gained. If the Cardinals present, having God and the Holy Ghost before them, consider what is best for the Church, they cannot fail to agree upon Wolsey; but as human fragility suffers not all things to be weighed in just balances, the ambassadors are to make promises of spiritual promotions, offices, dignities, rewards of money, and other things, to show them what Wolsey will give up if he enters into this dangerous storm and troublous tempest for the relief of the Church; all of which benefices shall be given to the King's friends, besides other large rewards. The ambassadors are furnished with a commission for this purpose, and letters to the College of Cardinals, and particular Cardinals, which they are to deliver. By promises and arguments they must firmly unite a band of twenty, eighteen, or at least sixteen cardinals, who will prevent any adverse party from gaining

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the election, and make the residue more ready to come over to their side. But if any for private ambition persist in contending for themselves, it is evident that they are seeking the ruin of the See Apostolic, and the ambassadors must find means to have some sure persons in the conclave to practise what is necessary, and to send information to them so that they may know how to act. Suggests that De Vaulx should be one to enter the conclave, not as the French ambassador, but as the servant of some Cardinal, and that Gregory Casale should do the like. As this election by one way or other suffereth no negative, if for lack of grace or entendement there should be any despair thereof, the ambassadors are to publish a protestation passed by the Cardinals in England and France, of which a copy is enclosed. This may beforehand be couched and devised by Gardiner, and set forth by the policy of De Vaulx and Casale. The Cardinals on the English and French side will then leave the conclave, repair to some sure place, and proceed with the election, notwithstanding any election that may ensue at Rome.

The ambassadors may offer the Cardinals a guard of 2,000 or 3,000 men, to be in Rome during the election; and if the offer is accepted, they must take money by exchange, and provide the men. The French king has ordered Renzio to lie between the army of Naples and Rome, and the viscount of Turenne and the Venetians will lie on the other side, so that they will be free from fear of the Imperialists.

The Cardinals need not fear that Wolsey would reside at Avignon or other place away from Rome; for, first, he would resign all his dignities, and have no convenient habitation except Rome; and, secondly, the reason of his desiring the Papacy is his zeal for the Church, and he would therefore proceed directly to his See. The ambassadors are to use all means to gain the Venetians, the Florentines, the duke of Ferrara and others. They must assure the adherents of the Medici of Wolsey's favor; the Florentines, of their freedom; the Cardinals, of the recovery of the patrimonies of the Church; and the Venetians, of a reasonable settlement concerning Cervia and Ravenna. They must show the duke of Ferrara that Wolsey was the means of his alliance with the French king, and promise the continuance of his favor, Bids them have regard to the conduct of the French ambassadors, lest, despairing of the advancement of Wolsey, they incline to some other Cardinal, and refuse to make the protestation. Desires them to assure the Cardinals that, if the Imperialists proceed to an election without the consent of the residue, no prince will favor them except the Emperor and his brother. The King would consent to the election of the cardinal Campegius, if the election of Wolsey were impossible.

Signed by the King at the beginning and end; pp. 23.

Vit. B. XIV. 11. B. M. Pocock's Records, II. 605.

2. List of the Cardinals supposed to be imperialists or otherwise.

Vannes' hand; mutilated.

6 Feb. Vit. B. X. 72*. B. M. Burnet, IV. 75.

5271. WOLSEY to SIR GREGORY CASALE and PETER VANNES.

Laments the death of the Pope. It is of the utmost importance that they see no one elected who is hostile to the king of England. Leaves to their dexterity and fidelity what they are to do for the promotion of himself. They will gather this from his letters. London, 6 Feb. 1528. *Signed.*

Lat. Address pasted on.

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7 Feb. **5272.** WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Vit. B. XI. 57. B. M. Fiddes' Wolsey, Coll., p. 211.

Although they are sufficiently informed, by the instructions given to Mons. Vincent, of the King's and his intention concerning his advancement to the Papacy, writes these few words to him as the person whom he most trusts, and by whom this matter will be most set forth. Doubts not that he considers the state of the Church and all Christendom, and also of this realm, which would be utterly undone if the King's secret matter were settled in any other way than by the authority of the Church. It is therefore expedient to have such a person for [Pope and] common father to all princes as will apply a remedy; and although Wolsey considers himself unsuitable on account of his old age, yet, when all the Cardinals are considered, there will be found none who can and will set a remedy in the aforesaid things, except himself. If it were not for the restoration of the Church and the See Apostolic to their former dignity, and for the sake of obtaining peace amongst Christian princes and relieving England from its present calamities, would never accept the Papacy; but, in accordance with the necessity of the time and the will of these two Kings, will do all he can to attain this dignity. Wishes him therefore to use all his power, and spare no expence, promises or labour to bring this to pass, and to act according as he sees how persons are inclined. He and his colleagues have most ample power. Leaves everything to his skill and faithfulness. Westm., 7 Feb.

Hol., partly Latin, mutilated, pp. 2.

5273. LIST of LETTERS.

Vit. B. XI. 58*. B. M.

Letters of the French king to the Pope on public and private matters; to the cardinals of Mantua, S. Severin, Farnese, Monte and Ursini, and to James Salviati.

Ten other letters, to be directed to whom we please. The King's letters for Wolsey. A bundle of letters containing an ample commission to the French ambassadors. Letter to the count of St. Pôl for our safety. General letters patent.

Lat., Vannes' hand, p. 1.

7 Feb. **5274.** JOHN DU BELLAY, BISHOP OF BAYONNE, to WOLSEY.

Cal. E. I. 153. B. M.

Had certain intelligence this morning, while on his rapid journey, that the Pope was alive, notwithstanding the report of his death confirmed by the duke of Urbino. Wolsey will rejoice that the Head of the Church has been preserved from that impious villain. Will communicate to the King and his mother Wolsey's great interest in their welfare. From Clermont near Paris.

P.S.—Encloses [letters] of the King in the bundle, confirming the truth of what he had stated. Defers going to court till tomorrow.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. Add.: "Rmo. &c. Carl. Ebor. Sed. Apl. Legato ac Angl. Canc. dignissimo."

8 Feb. **5275.** JOHN WEST, Friar Observant, to WOLSEY.

R. O.

As touching Ric. Harman's matter, it is time I were gone. The last day is Friday fortnight, 26 Feb., as John Hacket writes, when Harman will be delivered, and Hacket cast in the costs; a great encouragement to Lutheranism. My father-in-law, Sir Th. Exmew, died Saturday last, 6 Feb., and held from me and my sister, Kath. Colswell, certain evidences of lands in Middlesex, which I sold her and her husband William at the death of my mother, lady Eliz. Exmew, who died 14 Feb. 1528. He also withheld from my sister 20*l.* sterl., also a chalice and vestment, a chain

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of gold of 42 oz., 6 rings of gold set with stones, and 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* bequeathed me by Wm. Browne, late alderman of London. My father-in-law, Exmew, promised that my sister and her husband should be his executors; but his executors, Th. Kyttson, mercer, and one Brokett, goldsmith, retain all his goods. Greenwich, 8 Feb. 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord legate of England's grace. *Endd.*

8 Feb. **5276.** BISHOPRIC OF WINCHESTER.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 287. 1. Bull to cardinal Wolsey, for the see of Winchester. Rome, vi. id. Feb. 1528.
Lat., vellum.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 288. 2. Bull to the clergy of Winchester, for the same. Rome, vi. id. Feb. 1528.
Lat., vellum.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 289. 3. Bull to the vassals of the see of Winchester, for the same. Rome, vi. id. Feb. 1528.
Lat., vellum.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 289. 4. Bull to the people of the diocese, for the same. Rome, vi. id. Feb. 1528.
Lat., vellum.

S. B. b. 5. Bull to Henry VIII. Rome, vi. id. Feb. 1528.
Lat., vellum.

9 Feb. **5277.** GHINUCCI and LEE to [WOLSEY].

Vesp. C. IV. 287. B. M. By letters from the court and the coast of Biscay, it seems that the Emperor's journey to Italy is put off for this year, and that the biscuit is ordered to be sold. The Emperor commanded John Almaigne to tell the earl of Desmond's servant that if he desired to treat with him he should send an embassy of men fit for that purpose. Has ordered a merchant on the coast, from whom they heard this, to send information to Tuke, and to inquire whether any artillery is being made for the Earl. Letters have just arrived from the court, saying that the Emperor still intends to go to Italy, but that difficulties are continually growing. The ambassador of the marquis of Mantua, who came from France with a safe-conduct, has probably come to purchase some title for the Marquis from the Emperor, as he is not contented with the confederates.

He had not left on Jan. 31. The ambassador of the duke of Ferrara is leaving. Valladolid, 9 Feb. 1528.

The Nuncio who negotiated between the Pope and the Emperor has died suddenly. Two days before the Emperor gave him the bishopric of Avila, worth about 1,200 ducats annually. *Signed.*

Pp. 2, *in Lee's hand.*

9 Feb. **5278.** LEE to [HENRY VIII.]

Vesp. C. IV. 288. B. M. On the same subject as the preceding.—Some think the delay of the Emperor's journey is in consequence of his doubt of the King, and some think, for the loyalty of this country, if he left it. Another cause suggested is lack of money.

There is much clamour for wages, which are in arrears for two or three years. Some of the Burgonion guard have gone home. Valladolid, 9 Feb. 1529.

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9 Feb. **5279.** GHINUCCI and LEE to WOLSEY.

Vesp. C. IV. (311.) B. M.

The bearer, who is factor to a London merchant, has made daily suit for three months to the Emperor for restitution of two ships taken in May by Biscayans. Before leaving England he obtained a safe-conduct from don Inachus. The Emperor gave him good words, but put him off from day to day. At last he told the Emperor that he could stay no longer, for he had spent all he had. His Majesty told him to stay a few days, and ordered Almayne to give him 20 ducats for his expences. At last the Emperor gave him a schedule to the Justice of Biscay, ordering the sale of the ships and goods, half to go to the owner and half to the takers.

Almayne doubted whether the order would be obeyed, but said that, if not, the Emperor would give him as much out of his own coffers. The justice returned the schedule in two months unfulfilled, and the Emperor has told the merchant that he could do no more. Fears that John Radcliff, who brought Wolsey's letter, will have no better speed. Valladolid, 9 Feb. 1528. *Signed.*

In Lee's hand, p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

R. O. 2. Another holograph of the same.

9 Feb. **5280.** CARDINAL'S COLLEGE, IPSWICH.

R. O. Final concord made in the Octaves of the Purification of St. Mary, 20 Hen. VIII., by which Wolsey conveys to the dean or master of his college of St. Mary, Ipswich, the manors of Bornehall, Panyngton, Hyntelsham, Horrolds in Burstall, Barnes in Thurlston, Felixstowe or Filchestowe and Rumburgh, with lands in Ipswich and other places.

Parchment.

R. O. 2. Duplicate of the same.

10 Feb. **5281.** GHINUCCI to WOLSEY.

R. O. Refers to their common letters. Has no news to communicate. Valladolid, 10 Feb. 1528.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

12 Feb. **5282.** GHINUCCI to WOLSEY.

Vesp. C. IV. 291. B. M.

Received yesterday his letters dated Dec. 23. "Cum animadvertissemus *oratorem Pontificis aliquid tractaturum vel operaturum in negocio matrimonii, ipseque ab octo diebus citra mortuus sit,* cognoscentes *Cæsarem alias de quærenda dilatione in hac materia suspectum facile hinc dilationis ansam accepturum,* visum est nobis omni qua potuimus diligentia id D. V. R. significare, quo, si ei videatur, possit *impedimentum quod hinc pasci posset prevenire et negocio prout sibi videbitur providere.* Hoc non tacebo quod *licet mors hec aliquantulum dilationis* prima facie videatur *paritura,* si tamen compensetur *quod mortuus plus a Cæsare quam a se ipso pendebat et quod* poterit serenissimus Rex et D. V. R. operari ut *ad hoc nunc deputandus talis sit a quo quod* equum et honestum sit *reportare posse sperare valeat plus bre[vi]tatis quam moræ hec mors afferet.*" The remainder is in their common letters. Thanks the King and Wolsey for speaking to the Pope in his behalf. Valladolid, 12 Feb. 1529.

Hol., part cipher, Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

Vesp. C. VII. 40. B. M. 2. To the same effect.

Lat., p. 1. *Endd.:* "1529, translata e cifris etc."

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12 Feb. **5283.** GHINUCCI and LEE to WOLSEY.

R. O. Received the despatch of Curson on 11 February, by Thomas Badcock. Curson came to Fountrabye with the Queen's servant on the 2nd. He had better have stayed in Bayonne, "for some means should have been found that they should not have prevented noder Curson ne us." It appears by Badcock that Abel intended to go afore. As they have been there ten days, it is not unlikely that information has reached the Emperor. Without his letters, will not be allowed to depart. Have no ways to send to Curson, except by Badcock. The nuncio-apostolic, to whom the rescript was to be delivered, died about ten days back. Valladolid, 12 Feb.

P. 1. *Cipher, deciphered by Tuke. Add. Endd.*

Titus, B. I. 331. B. M. 2. Duplicate of the preceding. Valladolid, 12 Feb.

P. 1. *Cipher, deciphered by Tuke. Add.*

12 Feb. **5284.** LEE to TUKE.

Vesp. C. IV. (312.) B. M. *Tuke writes him words of some comfort, but the deeds do not so appear. Is forgotten.*

In January last, after the intimation, when Lee would have dissuaded the Emperor from sending so ungoodly an answer, he sent to them the transumpt of a bull touching the Queen's marriage; but no brief or transumpt of a brief was shown to them, which probably would have been done, if the Imperialists had had one, "if it came of themselves to show that they showed; and we again remitted it, making no answer, as we had heard of no such thing." Thinks this was in the letters which Clarencieux brought, and in others sent before. He can tell this to the King and Wolsey. My lord of Worcester is well. Asks Tuke to procure leave for him to return when my lord of Worcester returns. Valladolid, 12 Feb. 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Cipher, deciphered by Tuke. Add.*

12 Feb. **5285.** EDWARD FETYPLACE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Desires his interest that he may be assured of more years in the farm of Poffeley, and will fulfil his part of the bargain. Requests him to be good master to Master Prior, who today takes his journey to my lord Cardinal. If Wolsey allow Mr. Prior to remain at Poffley, "I beseech you stop no part of the parsonage, ne of what liberty he will demand to have in the said house." Is as willing Mr. Prior should have the preferment as that he should have it himself. If he can obtain enough to remain in the house, Fetiplace hopes Cromwell will fulfil his promise to him. "Upon the Thursday after your departing, John Edden, your farmer, came to Poffley with one cart, and carried away such stuff as was appointed to go to Oxford; so that the bedding, which Fryer bought for 10*s.*, was in my chamber, and the door was locked; and because the key was not there at that time, he, with great oaths, with levers brak up the doors." But for Cromwell's sake would have rewarded him after his desert. Requests him to deliver to the bearer "the ynchonkeyon wych ye promyzyd me for Jhon Sans and for Stamp." Desires to know with what words the writs should be delivered. 12 Feb.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* To his right trusty friend Mr. Cromwell, dwelling against the Fryer Agustyns yatt at Lundun, be thys delivered with spede from the kastel of Donyngton.

*** *On the margin and fly leaf of this letter occur some scribblings, in Cromwell's hand, of words and clauses of deeds.*

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12 Feb. **5286.** CARDINAL'S COLLEGE, IPSWICH.

R. O. Grant by John Higden, dean of Cardinal's College, Oxford, to Wm. Capon, dean of Cardinal's College, Ipswich, of the lands and site of Stanesgate and Blakamore, with their appurtenances. Dated at the college, 12 Feb. 1528. *Signed by Wolsey.*

Lat., vellum. Seal attached.

12 Feb. **5287.** DECREE.

R. O. Decree of Wolsey as Chancellor, ratifying an award of certain arbitrators in favor of Michael and Peter Erdara, in a dispute with Martin de Guynea. Dated 12 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII.

Lat., p. 1.

13 Feb. **5288.** CROWN LANDS IN WALES.

Commission to Sir Roland Velavile, Rob. ap Ryce, clk., Ric. Bulkeley, David Owen, clk., and John Wyn ap Mered, to inquire into the value and amount of concealed lands belonging to the King in cos. Anglesea, Carnarvon, Merioneth, and Flint, and in the lordships of Denbyghland, Ruthingland, Bromefeld, and Yale. Westm., 13 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII.

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R. O. 2. Copy of the preceding. *Pp.* 2.

13 Feb. **5289.** MAGNUS to WOLSEY.

Cal. B. II. 77. B. M. St. P. IV. 552. Came hither from Scotland on the 8th, and received from Thos. White, one of the King's messengers, Wolsey's letters, dated 31 January, with the ratification of the peace lately concluded, and of the articles accorded apart by indenture. Wrote to the king of Scots, the Chancellor, and others of his Council, advising them that the ratifications on their side should be ordered in like manner. Hopes everything will be completed next week. Will remain till the plenary execution of that cause. Sends by Thos. White all letters received from the king or queen of Scots, and his own poor advertisements. Will come up afterwards, both to declare all matters concerning his late business, and for the sake of his health. Could obtain no plain resolution of the matters entrusted to him till now, by reason of the king of Scots' long absence from Edinburgh, and the delay in assembling the Lords of his Council, who did not meet there till 18 Jan. After the receipt of his safe-conduct came to Edinburgh on Twelfth even in Christmas, the king of Scots being then at Stirling. Was met on the way by Adam Ottirburne, and largely presented by the town of Edinburgh with wine, wax, and other presents. The King wrote to Ottirburne to see him well treated; and by special letters to himself, desired him to wait till he came to Edinburgh in 8 or 10 days, as he had removed into the country for his pastime. James nevertheless did not come till 14 days after, when most of the Scotch nobles were present. Magnus' sudden return northwards from Newcastle had given rise to various evil rumors, that the King was not content that peace was concluded unless the earl of Angus had been received into favor. Owing to this several attempts were made upon the Borders. Does not believe this was the cause of James staying away from Edinburgh, considering his gentle proceedings afterwards, unless it were that he does not like being spoken to about Angus, on whose part new displeasures have been done.

On 19 Jan., James came to Edinburgh. Had audience next day. Was conducted to the King by the bishop of Galloway and the abbot of Arbroath, privy seal. Stated that he had been instructed, before returning southwards, to visit the young King so as to report of his prosperous estate to his uncle. Delivered the letters of the King and Wolsey, which he received right

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joyously, enquiring for their welfare. He desired Magnus to wait a day or two, when he should be better advised of the purport of the said letters,—and would hear his credence. Was sent for two days after to the King's presence, who said to all his lords that, as I was his old acquaintance, he would use me familiarly, and took me apart with him into his privy chamber. Here Magnus declared his credence, how the King wished him to see James's prosperous estate, "and joyed much of his waxing sithens my last being with his said Grace;" that he was instructed to move him to follow the advice of his most honorable and discreet councillors, as it was reported in England that he was too much guided by light and young counsel, hinting the dangers that might arise from this. At this James said he was much bound to his uncle for his good advertisement;—observed of himself that young counsel was the destruction of the king of Denmark, and he hoped to be better advised. Commended his wisdom in this remark, and added the example of the fall of his grandfather James III. from the same cause. Spoke of the Armstrongs of Liddersdale, who presumptuously said they would not be ordered either by the king of Scots or England, and boasted that they had been the destruction of 52 parish churches in Scotland, besides the unlawful attempts they had made within England. Showed him that without justice and due correction within his own realm he could not reign like a king, and advised him to appoint officers on the Borders for redress; that the two nations could not continue together in good order unless kindness and justice were shown; and mentioned how often the King had made intercession for Angus, who had been treated with all the more severity every time. Said the King had written to Angus also to act so as to obtain mercy. James said it was impossible to make redress or repress theft, as it was encouraged by Angus giving so many pardons to offenders, and binding them to his service. He must have Henry's help. He and his Council, however, have bound the officers of the Borders, and the earl Bothwell, lord of Liddersdaile, to reduce the country to justice. When he urged conciliatory conduct towards Angus and his friends, James said he had been ready at Henry's intercession to accept them to mercy, but they refused it, as Wolsey will see both by the king of Scots' letters and by the instructions signed with his hand, which Magnus has to show, as also by a memorial of the provincial of the Friars Observants in Edinburgh, who was mediator between the Scotch king and Angus.

James says that when Angus encroached upon his authority, he promised to be a good lord to him if he would remove to his own lands. The Earl gave good words, but continued his intrigues, "conspiring further matter than he was forfeited for." James says it will be sore against his will if he continue in Scotland, especially as Angus did disappoint the giving up of Temptallon Castle, as he had promised to do, murdered Davy Fawconer, spoiled a great ship, and has done much harm in burning corn. Finding the king of Scots felt so strongly upon this point, Magnus consulted with the archbishop of Glasgow, chancellor, the archbishop of St. Andrew's, the bishop of Aberdeen, the earls of Arran and Argyle, Sir William Scot, and Mr. Adam Ottirburne, but could find no remedy. At last offered the King, on the part of Angus, 2,000*l.* to be reconciled, but without effect. Reminded James what gentleness the King had shown him in making a good answer to the sharp words in his former letters, and advised him to take the example of his uncle's merits, who had been his special preserver in his minority. James declared he would never show himself ungrateful. Magnus then, as a poor man who had often taken great pains for the peace of both realms, begged leave to be plain with him, and said he was not a little surprised that he should lean so readily, as was said in England, to those who might be the King his uncle's enemies. Touched on the efforts made in Flanders to obtain in marriage the dowager of Hungary the Emperor's sister,

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who was many years older than James, and would bring him small profits and much trouble. Showed the danger of Albany's being sent to Scotland if James declined from England; and that though there might be some business between England and France on the one side and the Emperor on the other, it was not likely to last, and, by the wise counsel of England and France, James would be left quite alone.

James found it hard to make answer, and said he did not mean to seek new friends, though special motions had been made to him by others. Seeing he was perplexed, Magnus said he wondered particularly that James cared so little about my lady Princess, touching whom, so far as he knew his Grace had received no desperate answer. James said he had heard she was promised to the duke of Orleans; but he would send more familiarly to his uncle, as there was no marriage that he more desired. Is sure neither James nor his Council will seek any other alliance without the King's advice. Has received assurances of this from the Queen, the archbishop of St. Andrew's, Sir Will. Scott of Balwery, and Adam Otterburn. Never found the queen of Scots more devoted to England. Has seen letters from John Moffit, conservator of the Scotch nation in Flanders, and practiser of the marriage for James, stating that the Emperor will have 200 ships of war ready by the 15th inst., and that there are in Flanders a good number of ships ready to be conveyed to him, with guns, powder, shot of stone and iron.

Angus is at this moment burning and doing displeasures in Scotland; and earl Bothwell, appointed lieutenant of Lothian, is doing all the displeasures he can to remove him; so that it was with great danger Magnus passed between Edinburgh and Berwick. Is sure Angus was not in fault for this, and that James will be displeased; but cannot see how the Earl can continue, as he depends only on the King. Berwick, 13 Feb. *Signed.*

Add.

13 Feb. **5290.** For the MONASTERY OF SHAFTESBURY.

Assent to the election of Dame Eliz. Zuche as abbess. Westm., 13 Feb.

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14 Feb. **5291.** KNIGHT and BENET to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Visct. Turyn, who has been some time with the count of St. Paul in Lombardy, arrived here yesterday by post, and sent us a letter from Dr. Stephens, dated at Alexandria the 6th inst., where he had arrived in good health, though on his way from Lyons he had met with a dangerous fall. He intended that day to ride 20 miles, accompanied by a number of men of war, for fear of the Spaniards. It was said the Pope had recovered, and had given audience to cardinals and ambassadors. It was fortunate Sir Peter brought us your letters, else we had been at Rome sooner than Mr. Stephens was at Lyons. Will follow our last instructions whenever we hear of his arrival. Lyons, 14 Feb. *Signed.*

Pp. 2, *in Knight's hand. Add.:* To my lord Legate. *Endd.*

14 Feb. **5292.** HACKETT to TUKE.

R. O.

Wrote on 26 Jan., and on the 9th of this to the deputy of Calais. Has had no news of Friar West's coming. Yesterday, riding with my Lady from Mechlin to Brussels, she told me that De Bredam was going to England with letters from the king of Bohemia, asking for succours against the Turks. I told her I thought the best resistance to the Turk was for a general peace in Christendom. She agreed, but said we must watch the times, and that on the 15th the truce between England, the Low Countries, and France would be proclaimed; that formerly the French king was not so well disposed.

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The offers he now makes are much more to the Emperor's honor, but she could not say whether he would accept them. Brussels, 14 Feb. 1528.

P.S.—This Monday, the 15th, the truce was proclaimed. There was news of the Pope's death on the 19th, but I have heard from Rome that he has recovered.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

15 Feb. **5293.** MOLD PETIS.

R. O. "Confession of Mold (Maud) Petis, in the which is contained the articles how and for what cause she slandered untruly Mr. Thomas Bradshawe, vicar of Godshill, and Rob. Irneshawe."

When I was in prison dame Anne Wurseley, wife of Sir James Wurseley, sent to me several times Mr. Wyntersall, told me if I did not tell the truth I should be had to London and racked. She also sent to me Thos. Holbroke, my father-in-law, and Thos. Dymmoke, who told me Rob. Irmeshawe was thrown in prison in the Castle of Casbroke (Carisbrooke), and that there were found in his chest writings "what things it was that should have poisoned my said Lady, with divers oths (others ?), to the intent it should have been named a reigning sickness,"—that Irmeshawe had confessed,—that Tho. Bradshawe had fled from his benefice,—and that my father-in-law wished to know of me what things it was that should have poisoned my Lady. I told them the truth, that neither the vicar nor Irmeshawe had instigated me to such matters, and I was told by my father-in-law and Dymmoke that if I would send my Lady the effect of my mind, she would forgive me, and procure my pardon.—Note. This promise was made because Mold had committed petty treason in burning a barn of Rich. Barton, "when she was not in her good mind by reason of a slander." My father-in-law said priests were false and worked by spirits, and that I should be hanged for keeping the vicar's counsel. My Lady also sent to Winchester to me by Will. Gryme certain powders, which I was to have pounded for her. It was said that I had been seen to do it, which was not true; and that if they did not take effect, I was to get leave to go on pilgrimage to Our Lady of Grace at Southampton, where I should get such things as would do my business. When my Lady saw that she could not get me to say anything contrary to the truth, she caused me to be bailed out of prison, and sent to Mr. Waytes, of Wymaryng, where she was examined by three of her servants, and for fear of death slandered the vicar and Irmeshawe. After this Mr. Cope, Mr. Wayte, and Golde, of Portsmouth, were sent, as they said, by the Chief Justice, and I was examined in presence of Sir Jas. Worseley and my Lady, when I confessed I had slandered them to please my Lady. Long before this they had removed me to Portsmouth to meet my Lady, who would have had me confess that I had poisoned her indeed. Afterwards Mr. Welles told me that if I said anything to please her against the vicar, my Lady would kneel before the King to have my liberty, if it cost her 100*l.*, otherwise she would spend as much to put me to death. This confession was made in the presence of John Angill, notary, and eight other witnesses.

ii. Lewis Gogh, of Westminster, baker, confesses before Walter Williamson, mayor of Winchester, that Wm. ap William, keeper of Winchester gaol, who had a child by the same Mold, had sent him to her when she was in prison at the King's Bench prison in Southwark, to obtain a confession that the vicar of Godshill had incited her to poison lady Worseley.

iii. Indictment against Tho. Bradshawe, of Godshill, and Molda Peteous, of Appuldurcombe, Isle of Wight, spinster, for having conspired on the 14 Feb. 19 Hen.VIII. to poison John Geffrey, and others of the household of Sir Jas. Worseley.

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R. O. 2. Depositions of Richard Smyth, of Appledorcombe, Michael Raby, and others, against Mold Petyus, suspected of poisoning lady Worsley at Portsmouth.

One of them dated 15 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.

On the 8th July 22 Hen. VIII. dame Anne Worseley sought an interview with Petys in the King's Bench prison, and got her to confess before a notary that her deposition against Bradshawe was made without solicitation on her part.

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15 Feb. **5294.** STEPHEN GARDINER to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Advertises the King of his arrival. Unless the Pope is of a better disposition than at present he appears to be by Brian's letters, Gardiner's coming in the King's cause is not likely to be of much use. Will nevertheless do the best he can, and prove his fidelity. Hopes his service will be acceptable. Rome, 15 Feb.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd. by Wriothesley.*

15 Feb. **5295.** JO. TAYLER to [WOLSEY].

Cal. E. III. 54. B. M. "After I had clos[ed my letters to your] Grace, came unto me the ambassador of Fl[orence, who showed unto] me letters in the which were contained t[wo letters of] Camillo Aperdo and the conte de Montori . . . . . in Aquila, perceiving that the prince of Ora[nge] . . . . . viceroy de Brucia, come with such power . . . . . that they were not able to resist. In the night [they retreated] and left Aquila, and went to a strong castle [called] Matrice, and to another called Montlione, so that . . . . . take without any resistance." The same letters contained that . . . . . of Florence had letters from Rome, dated . . . and 30 Jan., stating that the Pope *laborabat variis* [*pericu*]*losis accidentibus*, so that he was not clean deliver[ed from his] sickness, and that the Florentines feared the Pope's sudden death, lest the Imperialists, being still near Rome, would make a Pope after their mind. Thinks it is ex[pedient] that Vincentius Casalius were near Rome, *in omne* . . . . . to do what Wolsey has committed to his c[harge], with the counsel and aid of the ambassadors there resident. Paris, 15 Feb. 1528. *Signed.*

P. 1, *mutilated.*

15 Feb. **5296.** SANDYS to WOLSEY.

R. O. Mons. Bayonne arrived here on Saturday the 6th, and left with great speed towards the King his master. He desired me to write to you in behalf of a merchant of Paris, named John Brice, who has lost a ship at Waleden, in the lordship of Marke and Oye. The report is that the truce is enlarged for two months. Desires he may come to England after the feast of Easter. They have already commenced repairing the fortifications of Calais and Guisnes. Those at Guisnes were much worse than they appeared to be at first sight. Calais, 15 Feb. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

15 Feb. **5297.** INCLOSURES.

Harl. MS. 442, f. 101. B. M. Proclamation to be published by the sheriff of Kent, ordering the breaking down before a fortnight after Easter of the fences of lands unlawfully enclosed. Westm., 15 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.

Modern copy, pp. 2.

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5298. [LEE] to CHARLES V.

Vesp. C. XIII. 322. B. M.

"Copy of our letters to the Emperor."

Desires a safe-conduct for John Curson, who, they hear, has come to the borders of Fontarabia, and will bring things to be communicated to the Emperor.

Hol., p. 1.

15 Feb. **5299.** CHARLES V. to the ENGLISH AMBASSADORS.

R. O.

Has sent a safe-conduct to the Englishman at Fonterabie. If they have anything to say to him on their King's behalf, will be glad to see them, but it must be before his departure on the 1st of March. Toledo, 15 Feb. 1529.

Copy in English, in Lee's hand, p. 1. *Endd.*

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2. The Ambassadors to the Emperor.

Have received his letters licensing their coming. Are informed from England that a safe-conduct has been sent to a servant of their King coming from England, for whom they are now waiting. Valladolid.

Copy in English, in Lee's hand, p. 1. *Endd.*

15 Feb. **5300.** GHINUCCI to [WOLSEY].

Vesp. C. IV. (315.) B. M.

Wrote three days ago jointly with Lee. It was perhaps not necessary to send the letters with such diligence. Had not time to read everything that was sent to them. "Legeram enim quod in meis particularibus literis cifris additum fuerat ubi dicebatur quod *non discederem ex Hispania quousque singula ab Urbe mihi et nuncio pontificis huc mittenda perbecta* (pervecta) *essent etc.*," which seemed to agree with the custom usual in such cases, for he thought such things *were done by the hands of the ambassadors.* Is in some perplexity, because in Wolsey's long letters to him it is supposed *that a new ambassador should be sent hither for this purpose.* It would not be much expence.

Expects leave to go to the court in three days.

Hopes to write something to his satisfaction about the matter mentioned in the long letters.

Wishes he had a copy of the bull and the briefs. Valladolid, 15 Feb. 1529.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *The cipher deciphered.*

16 Feb. **5301.** CHARLES V. to MUXETULA.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 52. B. M.

Suspects he is not fully informed of the state of the divorce question. Knows that cardinal Campeggio has obtained an express commission from the Pope to proceed in it. Nevertheless, with a brief of the Pope directed to the Queen, he told her, in his credence on the part of the Pope, that he was sent for that purpose, and advised her to avoid greater inconveniences by entering some monastery, which she has not chosen to do, maintaining what is due to her own honor and conscience. And although she has not herself objected to the partiality of the tribunal, which she does not dare to do, and is not allowed advocate, nor proctor, nor writings to defend herself, it would be unreasonable that a matter should be determined in England in which the King himself is a party. Neither can we safely send the original of the dispensation in our possession, seeing that it is a matter which touches the validity of the dispensation and the authority of the Holy See. The Pope ought to revoke the cause to Rome, at the Emperor's sole request, and recall the commission given to Campeggio. Approves of the advice given by Mendoza to search the registers for the dispensation; but even if the register be lost it does not affect the justice of the Queen's cause, because we have

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already sent hence an authentic copy, and have the original in our hands. Is sorry to hear of the Pope's sickness. His death might create a schism in Christendom. Toledo, 16 Feb. 1529.

Spanish, pp. 4. *Modern copy from a draft from the archives of Simancas.*

16 Feb. R. O. **5302.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to VINCENT CASALE.

As Peter (Vannes) writes to Wolsey of the King's affairs, I shall say nothing to you, except that here we spare no pains. Although nothing can be done at present in consequence of the Pope's infirmity, I do not cease to make all the interest I can with Salviati and S. Quatuor. I do not know what to hope of Dr. Stephen's mission, and how far the Pope ought to pronounce the brief produced by the Queen a forgery. I think his Holiness will do nothing; and you may tell Wolsey so, in the event of his desiring my opinion. I hear you have told him that if the Pope's fears were removed, he would do everything for the King, *licita et illicita.* But if you rightly remember, I told you that the Pope would do all that could be done; for there are many things which the Pope says he cannot do, *veluti esset bulla decretalis;* and so he will say of that brief, that he can pass no decision on a brief emanating from pope Julius, in the event of its being brought from Spain. But, suppose he would, they cannot remove the fears of his Holiness, not even with a guard of 2,000 foot; for when the Pope was defended by 30,000 troops of the League, and when Lautrec was successful, I saw how much he was afraid of the Colonnas and Imperialists. Now he will be more afraid in consequence of his success. Nothing but the liberation of Italy will remove his fears. When, therefore, you say that the Pope will do *illicita,* that must be understood *quæ aliquo modo possint colorari.* If you remember, one of the reasons for my sending you to England was to tell the King and Wolsey that they should make some other arrangement; because, if the Pope's fears were altogether removed, he will never do what we should want of him. He will, however, use all his efforts for peace, and go hither and thither to secure it, wherever we ask him; but I do not think he will consent to any of the terms brought by my fellow ambassadors.

I would have sent the bulls for Winchester, had not Dr. Stephen told me that he wished to have some alteration made in them.

Tell Wolsey I have employed all my interest, and that of my friends, in expediting them, and with the greatest success that could have been expected. In about eight days we shall be able to negotiate with the Pope. The state of Italy grows worse. The influence and exactions of the Imperialists are on the increase, nor do I see how they can be resisted. It will be necessary for Francis to appoint the duke of Ferrara as captain general of the forces. Rome, 16 Feb.

Lat., pp. 3. *Endd.:* 16 Feb. 1528.

16 Feb. R. O. **5303.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to CLERK, Bishop of Bath, in London.

Begs his favor in behalf of his cousin Vincent Casale, who is employed in the writer's affairs with the King and Wolsey. Rome, 16 Feb. 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

Ital., p. 1. *Add.*

16 Feb. R. O. **5304.** THOS. CANNAR, Priest, to CROMWELL.

As to the grants he sends for them to seal for the use of the college at Ipswich, the dean of our college and the canons of my Lord's grace's college at Oxford cannot seal them without further licence; for one clause for alienating possessions in London, Blackamore, Gingemargarete, Wyllyngale,

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THOS. CANNAR, Priest, to CROMWELL—*cont.*

Bowellys, Bromefelde, Shellow, Norton, Whytell, Sowthewelde, Kelldon and Stondon, Essex, would include lands lately belonging to the monastery of Thoby, which they have no licence to alienate. Wishes the said clause to be altered, and restricted to the former possessions of the monastery of Blackamore, or else they must have a further licence. Oxenford, 16 Feb.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Cromwell, dwelling against the Austin Friars in London.

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5305. CARDINAL'S COLLEGE, IPSWICH.

Ratification by Wolsey of the grant of St. Lawrence Blakamore, Stanesgate, &c., and their appurtenances, by his college at Oxford, to his college at Ipswich. Westm., 16 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII. *Signed and sealed.*

Lat., vellum.

17 Feb. Vesp. C. IV. 292. B. M.

5306. GHINUCCI and LEE to [WOLSEY].

On the receipt of the despatch of Curson, of which they wrote on the 12*th and* 15*th, sent in all speed to the Emperor to tell him* they had news from England *to declare to him.* Enclose a copy of their letters to him. Have today received a letter from him by the president of the Chancery, of which they enclose a copy, desiring them, *if they have anything from the King, to come to him before he leaves Toledo, which he intends to leave in the beginning of March. In order to keep him still in doubt whether they have anything from the King to him,* only made answer to the president that they would prepare with all diligence. The president told them that the Emperor had appointed a man to see them lodged, and that they must make haste, or his Majesty would have left. *Pretended that it would be very inconvenient to them to miss the Emperor,* but that they must wait for him who is sent by the King. *Think in truth that it will be more expedient to find the Emperor already departed, for if they were to propose to him the matter of the divorce, which he would take ill, just at his departure, they would get no answer, and he would have many days' leisure to excogitate some new practises. Could not follow the thing for lack of the briefs. Will, therefore, propose a new thing to him, until they "have him in some place standing," even if they follow him to Barcelona. See no preparation for the voyage to Italy. The great men have not yet been summoned. Wish to know the King's and Wolsey's pleasure. Ghinucci sends considerations by which the truth touching the brief may be tried.* Valladolid, 17 Feb. 1529.

The president has just sent to say that they ought to write to the Emperor. *Were somewhat perplexed, lest, if they refused, the Emperor might suspect that they had nothing to say from the King, and stop their coming. On the other side they considered Wolsey's commands. Enclose their answer to him. Could not avoid writing that they had something to say to him from the King, but will verify it only in the letters touching the divorce. Signed.*

In Lee's hand, pp. 2. *The cipher deciphered by Tuke.*

5307. LEE to BRIAN TUKE.

R. O.

We sent you two packets by sea and land, 12 and 15 Feb., "and now with haste do again this." Refers him to the cipher. Did not sufficiently mark the transumpt sent to us last year in Jan. after the intimation, which my lord of Worcester says was of a bull and not of a brief. That is a matter which more toucheth his faculty; "albeit, seeing that the transumpt, which we see was sealed with the Emperor's confessor's seal, and subscribed only with the hand of Almayn, and not Martyne, I may well think the same." I observed that the transumpt bore date about the time Philippes was

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with the Emperor, *i.e.*, when my lord Cardinal was in France. My lord of Worcester now sends "considerations whereby somewhat the truth may be known." Pity that falsehood should have victory. Has sent letters to the Master of the Rolls to be forwarded to Tuke. Begs that money may be provided by Vivaldi, this running up and down is so expensive. Expects to have to follow the court to Barchinona.

P. 1. *In Tuke's hand, endorsed by him:* Copy of Mr. Almoners letter to Brian Tuke.

19 Feb. **5308.** HENRY VIII. to CLEMENT VII.

Add. MS. 15,387, f. 207. B. M. Theiner, p. 560.

Expresses his delight at the Pope's convalescence. Greenwich, 19 Feb. 1528.

Copy, Lat.

19 Feb. **5309.** GHINUCCI to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Thanks Wolsey for speaking so much in his favor to the King, and for promoting him to an honor he had never expected. Professes his gratitude. Valladolid, 19 Feb. 1529.

P.S.—Writes to the King at the same time.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Sealed and addressed. Endd.*

R. O.

2. Duplicate.

Hol. Add. Endd.

19 Feb. **5310.** GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.

R. O.

Hears from Wolsey that his name is mentioned among some of those prelates whom the King intended to advance to a higher dignity. Expresses his thanks. Valladolid, 19 Feb. 1529.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

Vit. B. XI. 59. B. M.

2. To the same effect.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Address pasted on.*

19 Feb. **5311.** GHINUCCI and LEE to [WOLSEY].

Vesp. C. IV. 293. B. M.

Today the president sent to them to say that he had another letter desiring them to make haste to Toledo. Could not get there more than a day or two before he leaves, and fear that if they opened the matter when they could not follow it up, that they would not be allowed to follow the court. Nothing can be conveniently done before the coming of the rescripts. When they arrive, will know how the matter may be solicited toward the Pope's messenger; and they think it best to delay their going to the court until his arrival. The only colour for this delay is that they are expecting the King's servant, and that the despatch is still in his hands. When this will not serve, must desire some other. If they proposed this measure when they had no leisure to speak of the other, they might be commanded to remain, and so lose all hope of entering into communication. They will have a much better opportunity if they wait till he is stationary for a time. Neither Curson nor the Queen's servant have come, and they do not know where they are, but they hear that the Emperor has sent a safe-conduct for Curson. A person whom they sent to the Court tells them that the Emperor will go towards Barcelona on March 1. Valladolid, 19 Feb. 1529.

Curson has a credence, which they must know before they see the Emperor. Signed.

In Lee's hand; cipher, deciphered by Tuke; pp. 2.

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20 Feb. **5312.** CHARLES V. to the COUNCIL and NOBLES OF GUIPUSCOA.

Vesp. C. IV. 294. B. M.

Declares his desire for peace, and the danger in which Naples is of being overrun by the Turks. Is going to Barcelona, and leaves his Empress and Philip and Mary his children to govern these kingdoms. Intends to offer the French king new terms which he cannot honorably refuse, and will stay at Barcelona until he has fresh news, when he will go to Italy if necessary. Desires them to maintain order during his absence. Toledo, 20 Feb. 1529.

Lat.; copy by Silvester Darius; pp. 3. *Endd.:* Nova ex Hispaniis.

20 Feb. **5313.** WOLSEY to SIR GREGORY CASALE and PETER VANNES.

Vit. B. XI. 82. B. M.

Thanks them for the trouble they have taken about the bulls of Winchester. Although he supposes they have been ascertained by Gardiner of what concerns the King's matter and his own affairs, thought it well to send another letter in Latin, to be shown to the Cardinals, to induce them to consent to a lower sum. If they will not grant the bulls for 5,000 or 6,000 ducats, they have little regard to his merit, or to the profit which will accrue to them by his acceptance of Winchester. Has already the profits of the see by the King's grant, and can hold them with Durham without any bulls. If it were not for the evil example, would not give 1,000 ducats for the bulls. The spiritualties of Winchester, which he can enjoy during the vacancy by virtue of his legateship, are not worth 300 ducats a year, and the temporalties he has already. Doubts not that the Cardinals on hearing this will be liberal in granting the bulls, in the expedition of which he begs them to use all diligence. Will perform all obligations and promises which they make on that behalf.

Anthony Vivalde acknowledges that the banker at Venice has absented himself, and 10 days ago he sent a kinsman of his to recover what he could, and to make provision for the payment of the 8,000 ducats. He writes also to his agents at Rome to pay the 2,000 ducats at the easiest possible price, and to provide 6,000 ducats more for the bulls, if necessary.

Doubts not therefore that they will have money enough. Westm., 20 Feb. *Signed.*

Pp. 4. *The address copied at the foot.*

20 Feb. **5314.** WOLSEY to [GARDINER, BRIAN, CASALE, and VANNES].

Vit. B. XI. 60. B. M.

By the letters which they will receive from Vincent Casale they will see what was decided by the kings of England and France as to procuring Wolsey's election to the Papacy, for the advancement of which the French king sent the bishop of Bayonne to Rome; and Vincent Casale was dispatched immediately after with instructions, of which copies were also sent by Hercules de Mysolo, nephew of bp. Staphileo. However, when the bishop of Bayonne was between Calais and Paris he heard of the Pope's recovery, and sent word thereof to the King. At the same time Gardiner's letters from Lyons arrived. When the Bishop and Vincent arrived at Paris, and had more certain knowledge of the Pope's recovery, they deferred their journey till they might know the King's pleasure. Meanwhile arrived the ambassadors' letters from Rome dated 28th ult. The King thanks them for what they have done. Hopes soon to have news of the Pope's entire recovery. Wishes them meantime to proceed with their charge, seeing how ready the Pope showed himself to labor in the cause of peace, and also for the advancement of the King's cause, offering to resign the Papacy if he could do any good thereby. But as the Pope's illness is likely to endure, and it would be injurious if he died while they were ignorant of the King's pleasure, Vincent Casale is sent on with the dispatch given him at his

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departure, and with these letters. These things are to be kept secret, but as they will have some color to speak with cardinals and others on these matters, they should win over as many as they can, showing them the great benefits which will ensue from Wolsey's attainment of the dignity, and advising them to leave the conclave with a protestation, if there is any likelihood of violence. Commends them for having set that forth when the Pope's life was despaired of. They must attend to any means of dispensing with the ordinance compelling the election to be held where the Pope dies.

Leaves the management of this to their fidelity and wisdom. The King and he are anxious to hear of Gardiner's arrival at Rome, and the Pope's answer to his charge ;—which seems likely to be favorable, considering the towardness of his Holiness to please the King, his refusal to make a treaty with the Emperor for the defence of Italy, and his late overtures to John Joachim for a league with the kings of England and France, which they will understand by the enclosed copy of the French king's letter to the bishop of Bayonne. Wishes them to consult John Joachim, and to show the Pope that, although he has not mentioned it to the King, the King is willing to enter such a league. His Holiness then taking upon himself the negotiations for peace, Italy would be safe, whether they took effect or not.

In all their doings they must have regard to the undelayed perfection of the King's great matter, and in no wise consent that it shall remain in suspense upon any treaty; but they must show the Pope that when a treaty is made, the Emperor will more easily agree if it has been done, and Wolsey would never travel to such a convention until the King were sure of obtaining his request. Neither the King nor himself would be satisfied with any hope that the matter could be settled with the Emperor's consent at the convention. Therefore, if the Pope wishes for peace, he must first settle the King's matter, and the Emperor will with little business take the same in good part, as there will be no remedy; but if the matter is still pending he will be more obstinate, and try to hinder the other things which are to be treated.

If the Emperor sees that it will be to his benefit to make peace, this cause of matrimony will not prevent him; and he is not accustomed so to ad[here] to his sisters or other near of his blood, that he w[ill] for theirs postpone his own causes. Besides, if the peace did not ensue, war would follow, and then, if the Pope decided the King's matter, it might be thought to be from malice to the Emperor.

They can assure the Pope that there is no fear of the Emperor's descent into Italy, for the King's ambassadors in Spain write that the voyage has been laid aside, and such preparations will be made in France that they may be well assured the Emperor will not dare attempt the voyage.

As soon as the King's matter is settled, Wolsey will meet the Pope at any indifferent place, and go into Spain if it is thought convenient. Shows the necessity of choosing an indifferent place, lest the Emperor should get the Pope, the Cardinals and Wolsey into his power. Wishes them to fulfil their instructions about the bishoprics. Westm., 20 Feb.

The King and he write to congratulate the Pope on his recovery. Copies are enclosed. *Signed.*

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21 Feb. Vit. B. xi. 79. B. M.

5315. BRIAN, GARDINER, GREGORY CASALE and VANNES to [WOLSEY].

Wrote last on the 13th, enclosing the bulls concerning Winchester. The Pope soon after relapsed into fever, causing great suspicion, but is now gradually recovering his strength, and they expect he will be able to attend to business in a week. After the taking of Aquila, the scattered forces which favored the French betook themselves to Amatrice (*ad Matricem*), and they

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will be destroyed unless speedily succoured. Sir Gregory thinks this ought to be attended to immediately. The French ambassador seems to neglect everything, but he has sent a man to Amatrice this evening, to ascertain how aid can best be sent. The abbot of Farfa, who came too late to save Aquila, has been asked to use the money he brought with him to defend Amatrice. He promises to do whatever the ambassadors of the Allies think best. Sir Gregory is using all his efforts to protect the kingdom of Naples from the Imperialists. Renzi is too far from the Imperialist army to be of any service. The Imperialists have not restored Hostia and Civita Vecchia, and are waiting to see if the Pope recovers. Have received letters from the man sent by Sir Gregory to Foligni, saying that he has been able to find nothing concerning our business. Rome, 21 Feb. 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., Vannes' hand.

Vit.B.xi.78*. B. M. P. S.—Asks Wolsey to provide the money for the bulls relating to Winchester.

Lat., Vannes' hand, p. 1.

22 Feb. **5316.** The MONASTERY OF SHAFTESBURY, Salisbury dioc.

1. Writ to the escheator of Devon for the restitution of the temporalties on the election (confirmed by Thomas cardinal, archbishop of York) of Elizabeth Zuche as abbess, whose fealty is ordered to be taken by John Olyver and Edward Stewart, clks. Westm., 22 Feb.

2. Similar writs for Sussex, Somerset and Dorset, Wilts, and Bristol (to the mayor and escheator).

Pat. 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

5317. GRANTS to WOLSEY.

1. Thomas cardinal of York.

S. B. Custody of the possessions of Sir Walter Strikiland, deceased, during the minority of Walter Strikelond, s. and h. of the said Walter; with wardship of the said heir.

In the margin of the inrolment is a memorandum, dated 22 *Feb.* 21 *Hen.VIII., signed by John Tayler, that this entry was found to be without date.*

Pat. 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 18.

S. B. 2. Custody of the possessions of John Rither during minority of Henry Rither, kinsman and heir of the said John, and son and heir of Sir Ralph Rither, with the wardship of the said heir.

In the margin of the inrolment is a memorandum, dated 22 *Feb.* 21 *Hen.VIII., signed by John Tayler, that this entry was found to be without date.*

Pat. 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 18.

S. B. 3. Custody of the possessions of Sir William Compton, deceased, during the minority of Peter, s. and h. of the said Sir William, with wardship of the said Peter.

In the margin of the inrolment is a memorandum, dated 22 *Feb.* 21 *Hen.VIII., signed by John Tayler, that this entry was found to be without date.*

Pat. 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19, *and p.* 2, *m.* 12.

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23 Feb. **5318.** AWARD.

R. O. Receipt by Thos. Cryspe, mercer of London, from Ric. Randall, prior of Our Lady of Canons Asheby, Northamptonshire, of 10*l.* according to the award of Sir Ant. Fitharberd and Wm. Shelley, justices of the King's Bench, made 22 Nov. 19 Hen. VIII. 23 Feb. 1528. *Signed.*

24 Feb. **5319.** LEE to TUKE.

R. O. Sent packets on the 12th, 15th, and 19th. Curson is not come, though a safe-conduct was sent to him on the 15th. Requests him to take order with Vivaldi for money. A new diet will be held in April. Valladolid, 24 Feb. 1529. *Signed.*

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24 Feb. **5320.** THOS. DONYNGTON to WOLSEY.

R. O. Has delivered to the dean and treasurer of York his letters for obtaining the lease and dimission of the parsonage of Bishopburton, appropriate to the "divident" of his church of York. The Dean was obedient to the letters, but the Treasurer is obstinate, and says he has granted the parsonage to a servant of his, named Mowmforde, "who hath married one that he is affectionate unto." The Dean has offered him another freehold for his servant, but nothing will satisfy him. He has sent up the said servant to Wolsey, and he will deliver the lease, if he cannot persuade him to the contrary. Thinks he intends to defer the matter till the assize is passed, and so disappoint Wolsey, unless he will take the lease immediately on the servant's arrival, and send it to York before the assize, when the Dean will make a new lease. Sir Wm. Percy and his lady will make release of all the lands which Wolsey has purchased of Sir. Robt. Ughtred in reversion, and which she has in her dower. He will perform everything mentioned in the book he sent to Wolsey, before the justices of assize in York, which will be in this 4th week in Lent if he can obtain the farmhold of Bishopburton. Has discharged all those who have annuities out of the manor of Kexby. Will send shortly the confirmation of the Chapter for the impropriation of Wetwange, and the consent of the abbot of St. Mary's for the priory and cell of Romesburgh. "From your church of York," 24 Feb.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate a Latere and Cardinal. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. "Articles to be performed by your Grace (Wolsey) to Sir William Percie according to the book that your Grace hath subscribed with the said Sir William Percie's hand."

1. To sign and seal the release of the parsonage and tithes of Bishop Burton belonging to the chapter of York. 2. To appoint him steward of the said lands for life, and allow him the letting of them meanwhile, if there be any such clause in the book. 3. That the bailiffs and officers of the lordships may continue during lady Percie's life; after her decease Wolsey may gain 3*l.* a year by taking them into his own hands. 4. To perform the covenants in the book signed by Percy and delivred to Wolsey by Sir Will. Smith, auditor of his college at Oxford; for performance of which "I and my friends stondeth bounden to the said Sir William Percie in an 100*l.*, before he and his wife made the said release." 5. To write to the abbot and convent of Selby to renew Percy's lease of the tithes of Reedenes, of which they wish to deprive him.

ii. "Informations to my lord Legate."

1. That Sir William and lady Agnes his wife have released the lands in a bill enclosed in Wolsey's letters and in one annexed hereto, whereof the said lady was possessed in dower or jointure. 2. Parcels not specified in the indenture between Wolsey and Sir Thos. Ughtred. 3. Ughtred's covenant

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not so advantageous as my Lady's release. 4. A reversion of 10*l.* a year to Wolsey out of Atwick and Bouston in Holdernes on the death of Henry, younger son of Sir Hen. Ughtred. 5. It would be commodious to Wolsey if Henry Ughtred made him a release, which, according to the opinion of serjeant Fairefax and others, should be to Wolsey himself, &c.

iii. The "bill" above referred to.

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R. O. 3. Articles devised between Wolsey on one part and Sir Wm. Percy and Agnes his wife on the other.

1. Sir William and Agnes shall give up all their rights in the manors, &c. in Yorks. and Lincolnshire, which would revert to Sir Robt. Uthered, son of the said Agnes, at her decease, to the use of Wolsey during her life. 2. They shall make a sure and lawful estate of all the said manors to Wolsey or his assigns at his expence. 3. They shall suffer him to receive all the rents, &c. 4. They or others now seised of the said manors to the use of lady Agnes shall remain seised of them to Wolsey's use. 5. Wolsey shall cause the dean and chapter of York to grant to Sir William and lady Agnes a rentcharge of equal value to the lands. 6. Sir William shall be high steward of the said lands. 7. He prays Wolsey to renew his rights in the parsonage of Bishopsburton, Yorks., belonging to the dean, treasurer and canons, for his lifetime, without which he will have no convenient mansion to reside in. 8. To grant him "the Uthered his landes" in fee farm, or at least the feoffment during his wife's life; and 9. To grant him the stewardship of Hoveden and Hovedenshire with a reasonable fee.

Pp. 3. *Signed on each page by Percy. Endd. by Wolsey's clerk.*

24 Feb. **5321.** FRAGMENT of a LETTER of RAINCE.

Le Grand, III. 305.

A servant of yours was today in a high place (*en lieu haut et grand*), where some conversation took place about the said negociation for peace, and he said that it would be a great wrong to the cardinal of York if arbitration were had recourse to without reference to him. Answer was made to him by one who understood matters (*par qui peut et entend*) that it was well remembered in him, and that in such case, rather than not attain so great a good, they would make the Pope St. Peter, and Wolsey St. Paul. 24 Feb.

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24 Feb. **5322.** CHARLES V. and EARL OF DESMOND.

Vesp. C. IV. 297. B. M.

1. Instructions to Gonzalo Fernandez, chaplain of Charles V., to treat with the earl of Desmond. Toledo, 24 Feb. 1529.

(*See* Carew Calend. I. p. 42.)

Later copy, Span., p. 3.

Add. MS. 28,173. B. M.

2. "Dos cosas me dixo el conde de Visimon (Desmond) q̃ suplicase a sa Mag^te de sa parte."

Petitions the Emperor to comprehend him if he makes peace with the king of England, stipulating for the restitution of 9,000*l.* to him by the King, Requests also that his subjects may have liberty to deal with the Emperor's countries.

Span., p. 1, *modern copy.*

Add. MS. 28,173. B. M.

3. Pour la responce au conte de Wismont en Yrlande, de par l'Empereur.

The Emperor has received his letters, and heard the report of his chaplain. He may be assured that the Emperor will be well inclined towards him, and his subjects shall be well treated in the Emperor's dominions. Is just going to Italy, whence he will write again.

Fr., pp. 2, *modern copy.*

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Add. MS. 28,578, f. 45. 4. Copy of § 1. from the archives of Brussels.

Ib. f. 65. 5. Copy from the archives of Simancas.

Ib. f. 67. ii. Letter of credence for Fernandez from Charles V., dated Toledo, — Feb. 1529.

5323. EARL OF DESMOND.

Add. MS. 28,173. B. M. Gonçalo Fernandez, chaplain of the Emperor.

Petitions Charles to order the payment to him of 120 ducats, for the expences of his journey to Ireland in his Majesty's service. Left Toledo on March 3, being allowed 400 ducats for the journey, and has spent 520.

Span., pp. 2, modern copy.

(Another copy in the same volume.)

25 Feb. **5324.** HENRY VIII. to CLEMENT VII.

Add. MS. 15,387, f. 210. B. M. Theiner, p. 561. Is gratified at finding how much his efforts in behalf of the knights of St. John have been set forth in the Pope's breve. Has resolved to give the Order 20,000 crowns. Greenwich, 25 Feb. 1528.

Copy, Lat.

25 Feb. **5325.** HERCULES MISSOLUS to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. x. 76. B. M. Did not write from Dover or Calais. Arrived here at Paris on Feb. 23, at 7 p.m. Gave Wolsey's letter to Vincent Casale, and desired him to make all haste to Rome, with the letters and instructions for Dr. Stephen. He left on Wednesday, Feb. 24, at 7 p.m. Went with the bishop of Bayonne to the King at Illiers (*villa S. Heliæ*), 30 leagues from Paris. Were well received by the King, who said that the Bishop should do all he could for Wolsey. Will wait here till next Monday for further instructions, and then proceed to Rome. The Bishop is devoted to Wolsey, and will spare no pains. Thinks he had better stay here to persuade the King to do what Wolsey wishes, for it will not be easy to find another like him.

Has saluted the cardinal of Lorraine, who professes his devotion to Wolsey. Has given Wolsey's letters to D. Thalerius (Taylor), and told him he was about to send a courier to England, but he said he had nothing to send. He and the bishop of Bayonne are angry with Missolus, because Wolsey blames them for having detained Casale, in consequence, as they think, of his reports. Yesterday letters came from Florence, dated 12th instant, saying that letters of the 6th from Rome stated that the Pope was suffering from a double tertian and a pain in the head. The physicians did not know the cause, and had sent to Milan for a physician.

Milan is in the greatest necessity, and almost without soldiers, so that if the French join the Venetians and the Milanese it could be easily taken, and Genoa would then capitulate. The bishop of Bayonne says that the French king sent two days ago 40,000 ducats to the count of St. Pôl, whom Missolus believes to be at Alexandria, and about to besiege Cassella. The Venetians have furnished him with artillery and powder, and are preparing a fleet to intercept the Emperor, or attack the coasts of Apulia, Calabria and Sicily. It is reported that the French have retaken Aquila, and that the prince of Orange has retired to Naples, and is very short of money. De Langes, the brother of the bishop of Bayonne, is coming to England, instead of the person previously mentioned. Paris, Thursday, 25 Feb. 1529.

Lat., hol., pp. 3. Add. Endd.

25 Feb. **5326.** JOHN BROKE.

His will. Proved, 25 Feb. 1529. Printed in Nicolas' Testamenta Vetusta, p. 642.

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27 Feb. **5327.** CHARLES V. to the ENGLISH AMBASSADORS.

R. O. I have received your letters in answer to mine, giving you licence to speak with me; and as you tarry for him who is coming out of England, to whom I sent to Fonterabie, I have commanded him to go to you. I leave this on Monday, 8 March. Toledo, 27 Feb. 1529.

Copy, in English.

[28 Feb.] **5328.** PROPOSITIONS FOR PEACE.

Cal. D. x. 374. B. M. "[E]t pource qu'il est apparu par ce qu . . . . . [amb]assadeurs des deux Roys que la conclusion . . . . . [ar]ticles seullement.

"Premierement, en la seurete pour les quatre cens m[ille escuz] parfaict des 2,000,000 pour la rançon pour le . . . . . escuz sont demandes pour hostaiges, Monseigneur de . . . . . [Mons.] de St. Pol, Messieurs les duc de Longueville, conte d . . . . . .

"Convenu et ordonne a este sans innovation des finalles . . . . . accordees entre les princes en ce quelles ne seroient . . . . . la ranson du Roy Tres Chrestien seront offertz deux m[illions], desquelz sera paye contant la somme de douze c[ents mille], pourveu que au temps et instant que ladite somme de [1,200,000 sera] comptee et payee au mesme temps instant et to . . . . . par l'Empereur remys et relaissez en liberte R . . . . . baillez et delivrez aux commissaires du Roy T[res Chrestien] le daulphin de Viennoys et le duc d'[Orleans, fils dudit Roy Tre]s Chrestien; tellement que de * * * *
. . . . . compter du jour que l'accord ou convena[nce] . . . . . reur parviendra a la congnoissance du R[oy] . . . . . faire se peult. Et pour la parpaye de ce qu . . . . . [mi]llions seront premierement compenses deduictz . . . . . 800,000 escuz qui resteront les debtes du R[oy] . . . . . [s]eront randuz a l'Empereur ses cedeulles et obligations . . . . . [l]a somme qui pourra rester desdits 2,000,000 ou en[viron] . . . . . s defalquees, seront offertes pour seurte. Premier[ement] . . . . . cions de marchans ou banquiers montans a ladite somme . . . . . tera desdits 2,000,000 lesdites debtes desduictes, se . . . . . possession et joyssance des terres et seigneuries appar[tenantes au] sieur de Vendosme et Madame sa mere et autres subjectz [du Roy Tres] Chrestien es contes de Flandres et d'Artoys que l'Empereur tiend[ra] . . . . . ce jusques ad ce que ladite somme qui restera, lesdites debtes [du Roy d']Angleterre desduictes luy soit payee. Lesquelles terres sa . . . . . ront et desgaigeront au pro rata et selon que la dite somme . . . . . remboursera, et au cas que l'Empereur ne se vould[ra] . . . . . aigement desdites terres, luy sera offer[t] * * *
. . . . . putation ou deduiction des fruictz qui . . . . . .

"[Ti]ercement, luy sera offert telle et semblable s[eurete du roy] d'Angleterre pour le faict de Tournay, et s'il . . . . . jusques a la valeur et concurrence de ladite somme . . . . . Et si l'Empereur ne se contante de l'une des . . . . . sera offert la seurte et promesse du roy d'Ang[leterre pour] sa debte et se constituera principal debteur pour . . . . . de ladite somme qui restera au cas que le Roy ne pry . . . . . seront convenuz, et pour l'indemnite de ladite oblig[ation] le roy d'Angleterre aura bagues et joyaulx, en go . . . . . concurrence et valleur de ladite somme de reste . . . . . ledit roy d'Angleterre se obligera.

"Le second point a la renunciation du duche de [Millan que l'Empereur] veult estre renonce par le Roy Tres Chrestien en . . . . . finalle oblacion sera offert renoncer au duche de . . . . . terres contenues en l'article en faveur et au . . . . . Duquel Empereur neantmoings cer . . .

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* * * . . . . [am]bassadeurs du roy d'Angleterre. Et . . . . . [abso]ulz par sentence ou declare innocent du crime . . . . . consentira que Sforce soit remys en possession [du duche de Mill]an et joysse et use des droictz de investiture . . . . . ledit Sforce a Tholede. Au contraire si Sforce est . . . . . ux par sentence et de tel crime feodal que a cause d . . . . . [a]yt commis a perdu le duche, en ce cas ledit duche d[e Millan d]urera en la vollunte et disposition libere de l'Empereur. [Et] si l'on faict instance que les cites prinses en guerre depui[s le trai]cte de Madril doyvent estre randues a l'Empereur a[vant la] delivrance de messieurs les enffans, sera respondu de par le[dit Roy] que cella ne se peult faire et que ce seroit contre toute ra[ison] . . . . en sera offert si Sforce, comme dit est, par sentence desdits jug[es] . . . . et declaire coupable et crimineulx de crime par lequel il ay[t perdu] le duche, et ne veulle obeyr a la sentence qui sera donnee a lem . . . . Que le Roy Tres Chrestien assistera a l'Empereur pour len . . . . . la possession dudit duche de Millan en l'ordre et m[aniere] . . . . . ledit Empereur et si baillera re . . . * * * . . . . [le Ro]y Tres Chrestien tient et possede en fr . . . . . te qu'il sera convenu cy apres pour la . . . . . Laquelle obligacion a semble a l'ung et a l'aultre . . . . . la este trouvee souffizante et conforme a raison . . . . . a la responce et promesse de l'Empereur.

"Le tiers, les galleres et naufz que l'Empereur d . . . . . accorde sellon la responce et requeste faicte par le . . . . . precedentes oblacions et en luy limitant et restraig[nant] pouvoir retenir les galleres et naufz pour le [terme] de troys moys seullement, et oultre restituer . . . . . les huyt galleres dernierement prinses a Portefin.

"Le quart est la retraicte de l'armee du Roy d . . . . . retraicte si elle estoit indifferemment octroyee . . . . . une ruyne et desastre merveilleuse au Roy Tr[es Chrestien et a] ses alliez. A ceste cause sera accorde que [le Roy fera] retirer de l'Italie apres la deliverance . . . . . tra le Roy Tres Chrestien * * * . . . . que ledit Roy Tres Chrestien le fera . . . . . de bonne foy et sans fraulde le roy de Angle[terre] en . . . . . [Tres] Chrestien et pour le bien de la paix. Et si . . . . . ite de la foy et promesse de ces deux . . . . . s Roys, le Roy Tres Chrestien mectra es mains [du] roy d'Angleterre *quatre*† jeunes seigneurs qui seront et demeur[ont] . . . . . es pour l'observance et accomplissement de ladite prom[esse] . . . . . sera faicte de retirer l'armee d'Itallie. Et si l'Emper[eur] . . . . . es plusfort estraindre, luy sera accorde que au cas que [apres les] enffans delivres, ledit Roy Tres Chrestien ne face retirer [son arme]e d'Itallie le plus promptement et commodement que [faire se po]urra, en ce cas ledit Roy Tres Chrestien encherra en pai[ne] . . . . . de 300,000 escuz pour laquelle l . . . . . s au cas dessusdit demoureront et seront retenuz . . . . . permectra et se obligera le roy d'Angleterre qu'il n . . . . . lesdits ostaiges mais les gardera au prouffit de l'Em[pereur] . . . . . ladite armee soit retiree et ladite paine * * * . . . . [san]s prejudice des debtes pretendues par . . . . . me desquelles la seigneurie de Venise . . . . . [t]enuz leur faire raison par l'adviz des deux . . . . . d'Angleterre. Et si par l'Empereur ne se . . . . . et qu'il ne soit possible de le gaigner sera . . . . . de la comprehension ainsi que l'Empereur a . . . . . dernierement accorde, pourveu toutes voies que po . . . . . a cause de ce ne sera aucunement retardee l[adite] delivrance de mesdits seigneurs les enffans.

† This word is struck through with the pen.

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"Si l'Empereur, que Dieu ne vueille, ne se voulloit . . . . . voulloit ou differoit de accepter les offres . . . . . conceues et digerees par l'ung et l'aultre de se . . . . . est; en ce cas la guerre sera intimee et den[oncee] a l'Empereur par mer et par terre incontinant [sans] demeure dilation ou autre actente de . . . . ." *Signed by Montmorency.*

Mutilated. Headed in modern hand: "Francia, 28 Feb."

28 Feb. **5329.** PAUL CASALE to [JOHN CASALE].

Vit. B. XI. 84. B. M. "Reverende frater." The physicians have twice despaired of the Pope's life. The fever still continues, but he is out of danger. No person is admitted to him, and consequently no business is done. The General is commencing practices in the palace, in expectation of the Pope's death. "Era una gran confusione per Roma disgo . . . . . robba et donne et huomini." Rome, 28 Feb. 1529.

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Feb. **5330.** CROMWELL.

R. O. "Debts due to me, Thomas Cromwell, by statutes, bills, and obligations."

The dates of the obligations range from 8 Dec. 10 Hen.VIII. to 16 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII. The acceptors are Chris. Bendeloos, Charles Knyvet, Wm. Dod, Perpoint Deonanter, Rob. Croxton, Thomas Alen, Chris. Coo, Wm. Wellyfed, Stephen Vaughan, John Smith, the earl of Northumberland, Chris. à Lee, Th. Somer, stock-fishmonger, Nich. Longmede, Wm. Honynes, Ric. Cowper, John Tate, clk., lord Geo. Grey, Mr. Palsgrave, Edm. Lynney, priest. (An indenture dated 8 Feb. 19 Hen.VIII., for delivery of metal towards the making of a great bell, to John White, of Reading; the weight of bell metal, 5,383 lb.) Anthony Budgegood, Th. Laurence, Sir John Gage and Edward his son, Wm. Inskipp, lord Henry Percy, John Harwoode, Rob. Studley, mercer of London, John Watson, brewer, Reynold Litleprowe, Wm. Barlow, parson of Cressingham, Norfolk, Sir Geo. Throgmorton, Wm. Budde, Th. Rushe, John Almayn, Chris. Jenney, Geoffrey Chaumbre, Th. Trye, Wm. Brabazon, Sir John Wallop, Anthony Duodo, Th. Holt, Sir John Russell. Total, 2,116*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.*

ii. "Debts due to me, Thomas Cromwell," 1 June 20 Hen.VIII.

Debtors.—John Walsingham, Th. Alen, of the Court, the dean of Cardinal's college, Anthony Cavelarye, the abbots of Welbeck and St. James's, Ric. Eaton, Th. Alen, of Bayleigh, Wm. Huchecoke, Brattill the miller, Rob. Pedley, Mrs. Sadler, Howlett, John Balynet, Edm. Collop, the marquis of Dorset, Th. Perpoynte, John Pace, Sir Piers Dutton, Sir Th. Cor[n]wall, the priors of Christ Church, Lewes and Wenlock, Edw. Copland, Wm. Wyrley, James à Stable, Adam Beston, John Abell, Mr. Fabyan, my lord of St. John's, Sir John Mundye, John Clifford, Th. Laurence, bell-founder, Andrew Stocks, the abbot of Merevale, Loo, of Yorkshire, the town of Lynn, Ric. and John Gresham, the abbot of St. Mary Abbey, Cardinal's college, Ipswich (80*l.*), Wm. Corsye, John Baptista, the priors of Butley and Hynton, Sir Giles Capell, Compton's executors, Thomas Addyngton.

These that follow are in Cromwell's own hand: Th. Elys, Dr. Lee, Dr. Capon, Geo. Hoye, my lord Cardinal (92*l.* 18*s.*) Total, 711*l.* 10*s.*

iii. "Anno 20 Hen. VIII. Debts due unto me, Thomas Crumwell, by especialties, whereof the days ben expired."

The names have occurred already. Among them is P. Deonanter for 80*l.*; the earl of Northumberland for 35*l.* and 40*l.*; John Palsgrave and Ric. Banks. Total, 542*l.* 0*s.* 10*d.*

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iv. "Debts due to me, Thomas Cromwell, by especialties, whereof the days be to come."

Wm. and John Walsingham, payable at Pentecost, 20 Hen. VIII., and others. Total, 330*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*

v. "Debts due by obligation under condition."

Wm. Honynes, Ric. Couper, Sir John Tate, priest, John White, bell-founder, and lord Geo. Gray. Total, 310*l.*

vi. Bills of obligations due to me.

From the following persons: John Harwode, innholder of London, John Palsgrave, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. Clarencieux, Rafe Amys, priest, Chris. Bendeloss, Rob. Bolles, Henry lord Percy, and others already mentioned. Total, 509*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.*

vii. "Specialties concerning my Lord's grace."

Obligation dated 16 March 16 Hen.VIII., by which Th. Strangwayes is bound to Sir Wm. Gascoigne, Th. Hennege, and Rob. Toneys, clk., in 100*l.*, payable at Whitsuntide. John White, obl., dated 25 Aug. 17 Hen.VIII., to Rob. Carter, &c. (*crossed out*), John Whiteside, Simonde Yeman, the man for the millstones at Begham, and others whose names are already mentioned. Total, 170*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Among the debts some are very small, apparently due to Cromwell in his capacity as a scrivener.

Pp. 23, *chiefly in Wriothesley's hand, but a few entries in Cromwell's.*

5331. Flemyng's Accounts.

R.O. View of the account of John Flemyng, warrener at Bekhey, from Shrovetide 19 Hen.VIII. to Shrovetide 20 Hen.VIII.

Receipts for 315 couples rabbits, summer game, taken between Easter and Lammas, and sold at 3*d.* a couple; and for 508 couples coneys, winter game, sold at 4*d.* a couple. Total, 14*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.*

Allowed for his fee as keeper, 4*l.*; for 18 couple coneys sent to York at the summer sessions 20 Hen.VIII., which were presented to Mr. Fitzherbert and Mr. Attorney by command of Sir Arthur Darcy, 6*s.*; for 6 couples coneys delivered to Gilbert Scott in Aug. 20 Hen.VIII., and presented to the bishop of Carlisle, 2*s.*; for 3 couples given to the said Gilbert in Dec. 20 Hen.VIII., when his bedfellow was churched, 12*d.*; 1 couple given to Matt. Thompson, 4*d.*

Balance paid over at various times to Sir Nich. Ellys, clk., to my Lord's use.

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ii. Order of Sir Arthur Darcy, in my Lord's name, to take 18 couple rabbits to present to Mr. Attorney and Mr. Fitzherbert. Dated 25 July.—P.S.—Written this Sunday.

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iii. Receipt given by Nicholas Ellys to the said warrener, 4 May 20 Hen.VIII., for 20*s.*, the proceeds of the sale of 13 doz. and 4 rabbits. And other receipts on the same paper for money derived from coney sales.

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5332. [Sir Robt. Wingfield] to Bryan Tuke.

Cal. D. x. 276. B.M. . . . . "in most hearty mann[er] . . . . . .
. . . . . e the same, that before yesterday . . . . . .
. . . . . the same joined a letter of mine dyr[ected] . . . . . .
. . . . . yesterday I wrote another to his Grace . . . . . .

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[SIR ROBT. WINGFIELD] to BRYAN TUKE—*cont.*

. . . . considering that it was a council day h . . . . . businesses right rife, I could not have the [leisure to write to] you and save the tide, which will bide no ma[n] . . . . . businesses to be set a broach here as the world . . . . . I have mine hands full and full again, for . . . . . that the King hath had no surveyor here [since] . . . . . died, all things been far to seek, specially if . . . . . forward; for though I and the Council here [have surveyed] this town in every place, artillery is allr[eady] . . . . . where new is to be laid, as well about all th . . . . . town walls and Newnham bridge, and have appoin[ted how every] thing must be ordered, yet when I rememby[r the state in which] every thing standeth in and about this town [and Newnham] bridge, which must not only take time to repair, bu[t also at] great cost, and that to the same right a strange thing doth . . . . . which is, that where my lord Legate a . . . . . caused Robt. Fowler to deliver 1,000 pow[nds unto the] treasurer of this town, and also commanded tha[t no part of the] said sum should be employed upon oony [thing without] a warrant from the King or his G[race] . . . . . saith that before his departing fr[om] . . . . . coming over and dyver . . . * * * . . . . . nne I have said I have d . . . . . e wit and added convenient . . . . . ke the commander of Balsam and the . . . . . is with all which I require you to show [to his Grace for m]y discharge.

"[W]hanne Master Marshal of this town came last from [England, he told] me that at his departing he asked of his [Highness] if he would command him any service to th . . . . . [an]d his Highness answered and said nothing, but, 'I wyl[l you to tell m]y deputy and the council there that they do their [duty ri]ght shrewdly, for though the Deputy there hath 1,000*l.* in [hand t]hey suffer all things there to go to ruin,' which [hath been r]ight strange news to me, for I am sure for my [part t]hat the King had no deputy in this town this 40 y[ears or more] that hath laid more money out of his own [purse fo]r the weal and surety of this town than I have done [since I] was deputy; and, to say the truth, so much I have leey[d out t]hat I have little or nothing to help myself with co[nveniently, albe]it I live as though I received all the King's liberality . . . . . [w]heere indeed I am unpaid, and the 6th day of April were . . . . . or rather Our Lady's Day, next coming, of 300*l.* sterling, which should be paid unto me oug[ht of Mark]e and Oye, where nothing is to get, for though [the before m]entioned sum was due to me at th . . . . . d the 6th day of . . . ." * * *

Hol. Mutilated. Add. at f. 278 *b.:* To the right honorable Mr. Bryan Tuke, of the King's privy council, and his secretary.

5333. [SIR ROBT. WINGFIELD to WOLSEY.]

Cal. D. x. 403. B. M.

"[Please it] your most reverend [Grace] . . . . . your most urgent business . . . . . self since the 4th day of . . . . . ns the date of my last letters unto . . . . . divers times sith, I have advertised [your Grace] of such occurrences as have chanced . . . . . not but he hath avised your Gra[ce] . . . . . but to advise the same that yesterday . . . . . [men of] Newport in Flanders came to this town by . . . . . made a passport for t[hem to pass through] the King's pale to Graveling after my . . . . . nevertheless before their departing he . . . . . merchant of London,

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named Martin . . . . . me twayne English mariners which came . . . . . said town of Newport in Flanders also the . . . . . and mariners shewed me they chanced . . . . . being at London the said merchant now . . . . . as mi . . . . . ought (*qu.* out?) tymw . . . . . divers sorts as is w . . . . . also, where [the] master and [the] m[ariners feared] to pass the sea for fear of the French . . . . . the twain English m[ariners] . . . . . * * * . . . . . and there though it . . . . . gladly that the marchan[t] . . . . . [merch]auntdyse, safely delivered unto him . . . . . specially the captain there would . . . . . d that the said merchandise shall . . . . . eynge there till it may be perfectly known [whether they sh]all have war or peace with England, for th . . . . . [wa]rre shall chance, they will keep it as [lawful prize, but if] peace may be had they will gladly del[iver the merchan]dyse again; also they made our folks go . . . . . e them a passport, and at Gravelynges the captain . . . . . men . . . . . ym another, so that they came hither in sa[fety. Of which cir]cumstance, when I was advised, I caused [the men of Ne]wepoort to tarry, and forthwith assembled the council h[ere, in which it was] determined to retain the said Newport men, [and sent a] letter to the [ca]peteeyn there, desiring to know upp[on what gro]wnde he hath not only retained the before specyf[ied merchan]ntdyse, but also boothe divers merchants of Lond[on] . . . . . certain young men of this town, coming from . . . . . at Louvain, considering that all the Emperor's [subjects in the Low]e Countries have as free abiding also passe . . . . . de and the King's marches here as fr . . . . . letter have sent the tro[mpet]" * * *

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5334. [Sir Robt. Wingfield to Wolsey.]

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"... [re]po[r]t I sent one of . . . . . [m]aye showe by mouth h . . . . . him and his company so . . . . . freely and I had not been certified . . . . . mentioned merchandise, and far . . . . . be not undyr [a]reest hyere, but at the . . . . . have answer again of my letters . . . . . and as touching the stop of the . . . . . I am advertised by ma[rchaunts] of the St[aple] . . . . . of their company delivered letters to . . . . . to be delivered at Brydgys to certain mar[chants] . . . . . having much money in their ha[nds] . . . . . made . . . . . which letters . . . . . his saddle, wherefore I think that and th . . . . . found not only the suspicion causeth . . . . . to be retained, but also, and war shall ch[ance] . . . . . letters [shall be shown] to the council of . . . . . when the trumpet shall be returned again . . . . . of such [answ]ere as shall be made unto . . . . . time I would be glad to know the . . . . . money how I shall order the said . . . . . not to let them depart till . . . . . Lord knoweth, whom I [beseech to keep your Grac]e in pros[perous health]."

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5335. [SIR ROBT. WINGFIELD to WOLSEY.]

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". . . . . [pre]sent month I wrote [unto you and certif]yd your Grace that I had . . . . . [me]n of Newporte, and informed y[our Grace] . . . . . [H]owbeit where when I wrote . . . . . determined to have retained the [messenger until I should] have known the King's pleasure . . . . . consideration, that sith I have had . . . . . Greshams, Richard, William and John, and after by their own mouths . . . . . [mer]chauntes in the Emperor's Low Countries be . . . . . farthermore that I was instantly desyry[d] . . . . . to seett the before mentioned men of Ne[wport] . . . . . to the intent that the captains of men . . . . . should have none occasion to stop Ingly[shmen from] coming that way, I have set them [at liberty ; which] my doing I trust that the King's highness a[nd your Grace] will take in good part, considering . . . . . and where I have caused all the ordenau[nce of this] town and at Newnham Bridge to be mo . . . . . in as much as might be done in E . . . . . there be any other thing tha[t] . . . . . your Grace will command . . . . . to the best of my little p[ower]."

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Add.: To my lord Legate's most reverend grace.

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3. John Uvedale. Lease of all iron and coal mines in all wastes, &c. in the forest of Teresdale cum Newbiggyng, in the lordship of Barnard castell, in the bishopric of Durham, at the annual rent of one-twentieth part of the iron and coal found there. *Del.* Westm., 3 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 8.

4. Thos. Herunden and John Multon. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of head master of the works in the Tower of London, and in the kingdom of England, and elsewhere, *vice* Hen. Redmayn. Hampton Court, 18 Jan. 20 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Feb.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

6. Ric. Trees and John Parker. Grant of the corrody in the monastery of Selby, York, on resignation of the said Richard as sole occupier. Bridewell, 6 Dec. 20 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 Feb.—P.S.

6. Thomas Bryges. Licence to alienate the manor of Staunton Fitzherbert, Wilts, with certain other land in Staunton Fitzherbert, and the advowson of the church of Staunton Fitzherbert, to George Delalynde and Mary his wife, and the heirs of their bodies, with remainder to the heirs of the body of the said George. Westm., 6 Feb.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

7. John s. and h. of John Beaufo. Livery of lands as kinsman and h. of Anne Danett, late wife of Gerard Danett, deceased, one of the ds. and hs. of John Hugford, viz. son of John Beaufo, deceased, son of Joan Beaufo, daughter of the said John Hugford, father of the said Anne and Joan; on all the possessions in England, Wales, the marches of Wales and Calais, late of the said John Beaufo, the said John Beaufo the son, or of the said Anne, &c. *Del.* Westm., 7 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 8.

7. Roger Radclyff, his heirs and assigns for ever. Grant of the tower or great messuage called "le Riall," *alias* "le toure in le Rioll," in London, in the parish of St. Thomas Apostle, in the street called "le Riall," in the ward of Cordyway strete, at the annual rent of 12*d.*; on surrender, on account of their invalidity, of patents 5 Feb. 1 Hen. VIII. and 1 June 19 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 7 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 17.

7. Humph. Lisle of Felton, Northumb. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 7 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

8. Sir Wm. Gascoign of Cardyngton, Beds, and Elizabeth his wife. Pardon and release to Elizabeth as late wife and executrix of Sir Ric. Cholmeley, sheriff of Northumb., temp. Hen.VII. Also grant to the said Sir William and Elizabeth of the issues of the manor of Thorneton-on-le-Hyll, and lands in Wotton Hessell, and Beverlee, York, of the annual value of 40*l.*, late of the said Sir Ric. Cholmley, taken into the King's hands by James Metcalf by a writ of *diem clausit extremum*, dated 28 Sept. 18 Hen.VIII.; also the issues of the manors of Stone castell and Pelden, in the parish of Stone, Kent, and lands and heath in the parish of Swanscombe, Kent, and land in the parish of Higham, called Lytyll Okeley, Kent, late of the said Sir Ric. Cholmeley, of the annual value of 20*l.*, taken into the King's hands by George

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Guldeford by a writ of *diem clausit extremum*, dated 20 Oct. 16 Hen.VIII. And pardon and release to the said Sir William as late receiver of the possessions in cos. Beds, Bucks, Northt., Hunts, Norf. and Suff., of Richard late earl of Kent, and as receiver under Hen.VII. of such of the said possessions as were taken into the King's hands in consequence of entries without licence, &c., by virtue of certain inquisitions. *Del.* Westm., 8 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 32.

8. Alicia Hawles, spinster, of Stistede, Essex. Pardon for having stolen certain goods from Tho. Boner of Rewenall, Essex, Tho. Smyth, and John Sperke. *Del.* Westm., 8 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

9. John Wellysborne. Licence to enfeoff Stephen Constable, Wm. Maunsell, John Goude, Ambrose Beckwith, and Leonard Beckwith, of certain lands in Moriby, York, to hold to the use of the said Leonard and his heirs, to fulfil the will of the said Leonard. Westm. 9 Feb.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.*2,*m.* 6.

10. Henry Norres, squire of the Body. Grant of the manors of Honnesdon and Estwyke, Herts, with reservations of the site of the manor of Honnesdon, and the old and new parks of Honnesdon and the park called Goodmannes Hyde, which parks belong to the King. *Del.* Westm., 10 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

10. Thomas Rouse. Lease of all demesne lands, &c. of the manor of Moulton, Northt., and the warren of coneys there, parcel of Warrewickeslandes, with reservations, for 21 years, at the annual rent of 6*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* for the demesne lands, &c., 20*s.* for the warren, and 13*s.* 4*d.* of increase. *Del.*Westm., 10 Feb. (*no year on S.B.*)—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII.* *p.* 1, *m.* 7.

10. Wm. More, clk., and Wm. Newbolte. Custody of lands in Brampton, Hunts, with wardship of Gerard, s. and h. of John Foster. *Del.* Westm., 10 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

11. Wm. Markeham and Frances his wife. Livery of lands, &c., as d. and h. of Humph. Cokeyn, deceased, viz., the possessions of the said Humphrey, and reversions on the death of Margaret now wife of Edmund Nevill, late wife of the said Humphrey, in England and Wales, Calais, and the marches thereof. *Del.* Westm., 11 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 17.

11. Hen. Marquis of Exeter, s. and h. of Wm. Courteney late earl of Devon, and lady Katharine countess of Devon. Release as s. and h. of the said William, s. of Edw. earl of Devon, and kinsman and h. of Thos. earl of Devon, father of the said Thomas, of all reliefs due by him to the King. *Del.* Westm., 11 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 8.

11. Francis Galyardet, native of Rhodes ("le Rodos") in Greece. Denization. Westm., 11 Feb.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

11. Nich. Appisley, kinsman and h. of Wm. Mille, deceased. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 11 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

11. Commission of Sewers.

Middlesex: John earl of Oxford, Thos. earl of Rutland, John abbot of St. Peter's, Westminster, Sir Ric. Broke, Sir John More, Sir Thos. More, Sir Edm. Watson, Robt. Norwiche, serjeant-at-law, Humph. Browne, serjeant-at-law, Thos. Audeley, John Baker, John Pakyngton, Wm. Sulyard, Walter Froste, Robt. Wrothe, John Kyrton, Geo. Sely, John Palmer, and Ric. Riche; from Old Ford to Stratford bridge, thence to "le Torne Brigge," to four-water mills in Bromeley, thence to the Thames by the confines of Essex and Middx. . . . . , 11 Feb.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 37*d.*

12. Rich. Caldecott, mercer of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfelde. *Del.* Westm., 12 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—P.S.

12. Pardon to Thos. Glosse, of Halberton, Devon, husbandman, for having on the eve of St. Simon and Jude 20 Hen.VIII. broken into and entered the close of John Catford *alias* Marshe at Dulverton, Somers., and carried away a bull worth 13*s.* 4*d.* and a cow worth 10*s.* Westm., 12 Feb. [20 Hen. VIII.?]—*Pat.* 19 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 27.

12. Wm. Mauncell. To be clerk of York castle; bailiff of the wapentake of Herthill, in the East Riding of York; clerk of the county courts within the said castle and clerk of the hundreds, wapentakes, and sheriff's turn within the said county. *Del.* Westm., 12 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

12. Chas. duke of Suffolk, Earl Marshal. Wardship of Katharine d. and h. of Wm. lord Willoughby and Eresby. *Del.* Westm., 12 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

12. John Dansey. Lease of a water-mill in the lordship of Malmeshill; and the meadows of Twelve Roden and Len in the lordship of Malmeshill, Heref., parcel of the lands late of the earl of March, for 21 years, at the annual rents of 22*s.* for the mill, 3*s.* for the Twelve Roden, and 3*s.* for Len meadow, and 4*s.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 12 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. b. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

12. Richard Buclande. Grant of an annual rent of 9*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* payable as follows; viz., 7*l.* 18*s.* 5*d.* out of the farm of Coleman, Hants, by the prior of Southwike, and 24*s.* 1*d.* out of the issues of the co. Hants; on surrender by Rob. Bithesey of patent 25 June 7 Hen. VIII., granting the same to Rob. Fairefax, gentleman of the Chapel Royal, now deceased, and the said Robert. Westm., 12 Feb.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

14. Wm. Vaughan, of Talgarth, Roger Vaughan, Thos. ap Watkyn, Ves. Gunter, Lewis Loud, Watkyn ap Thomas, Edm. ap

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John, David ap Evan, Thos. ap Glin, Watkyn Walter, Watkyn ap Roger Pod, and Glin John Harrys. Lease of the townships of Mere and Blaenleveny, parcel of the earldom of March, with reservations; for 21 years, at the annual rent of 16*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*, and 20*s.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 14 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

14. Wm. Vaughan of Talgard. Lease of the demesne lands of the lordship of Dynas, the herbage of New Park there, the herbage of Dynas forest, and the King's part of the earl of March's pond, called Brekenok mere, with reservations; for 21 years, at the annual rent of 4*l.* 10*s.*, and 13*s.* 4*d.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 14 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

14. John Browne. Lease of 2 water mills in one house, built near Warwick castle, called "Castell milles," with "le flode gates" thereof, and the fishery of the water there, from the said mill to the great bridge of the town of Warwick on the one side, and from the said mill to the west end of "le Gites" on the other; and a meadow, called "Castell medowe," with a parcel of land there, with water enclosed, called "le Gites," thereto belonging, parcel of the lands of the earl of Warwick; for the term of 21 years, at the annual rent of 14*l.*, and 14*s.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 14 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

14. Sir Jno. Markeham. Lease of the manors and lordships of Mauncefeld manor, Mauncefeld Woodehouse, and Sutton in Asshefeld, Notts, parcel of the lands late of Jasper duke of Bedford, with reservations; for 21 years, at the annual rents of 17*l.* 3*s.* 5*d.* for Mauncefeld manor, 6*l.* 4*s.* 2½*d.* for Mauncefeld Wodehouse, 8*l.* 15*d.* for Sutton in Asshefeld. *Del.* Westm., 14 Feb. (*no year on S. B.*)—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9.

14. Thos. Webbe, *als.* Richman. Lease of the manor of Draycote Foliat, parcel of "Cooperceoners landes," Wilts; for 21 years, at the annual rent of 7*l.*, and 6*s.* 8*d.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 14 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

16. Edw. Mason, of Kyrdford, Sussex, sawyer. Pardon for having killed, in self-defence, Ric. Doughte, of Kyrdford, laborer. Westm., 16 Feb.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 11.

16. Thos. Gymbald, of Walton, Suff. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Anthony Ughtred. *Del.* Westm., 16 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—P.S.

17. Thos. Speke. Livery of lands, &c. as s. and h. of John Speke, deceased, and kinsman and h. of Sir John Speke, deceased, viz., s. and h. of the said John Speke, s. and h. of the said Sir John Speke; for all the possessions of the said John in England, Wales, Calais, and the marches thereof, and on all the possessions whereof Isabella Speke, widow, or Eleanor, wife of Anthony Harvy, were seized for life, belonging to the inheritance of the said Thomas. *Del.* Westm., 17 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII. —S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 16.

19. John s. and h. of Sir Hen. Woddryngton. Livery of lands. *Del.* Westm., 19 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 26.

20. Geo. Ratclyff and Katharine his wife. Livery of lands, viz., of the portion belonging to the said Katharine, as one of the two ds. and hs. of Sir John Marney, and of Christina his wife, d. and h. of Sir Roger Newburgh, deceased, in England, Wales, and the marches thereof; and of the said Katharine's portion of the possessions of Bridget lady Marney, late wife of the said Sir John, deceased. *Del.* Westm., 20 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 27.

20. Wm. Grey, lord Grey of Wilton. Livery of lands as bro. and h. of Thos. Grey, bro. and h. of Geo. Grey, s. and h. of Edm. Grey, s. and h. of Sir John Grey, late lord Grey of Wilton. Also, licence of entry to Sir Rob. Brudenell, chief justice of the Common Pleas, and Sir Humph. Conyngesby, one of the justices of the King's Bench, (notwithstanding the minority of the said William,) on the castle and manor of Wilton, Heref., and the manor of Kempelegh, Glouc., whereof the said Robert and Humphrey, with other persons now deceased, were seized to the use of Elizabeth late wife of the said Sir John Grey lord Wilton, and afterwards wife of Sir Edward Stanley, during the life of the said Elizabeth, and after her death to the use of the heirs of the said Edmund Grey. *Del.* Westm., 20 Feb. 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 27.

20. Wm. Holwey of Hankerton, Wilts. Pardon for having, with Thos. Lofte, on 15 July 19 Hen. VIII., assaulted and robbed John Daves on the highway at Stanley, Wilts. Westm., 20 Feb.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 29.

20. John Hydde, of Southanvell, Essex. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Anthony Ughtred, vice-captain of Berwick, Greenwich, 20 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII. *No date of delivery.*—P.S.

20. Peter of Cammare Opole. Licence to ask alms for two years to enable him to ransom his mother and brothers, who are made captives by the Turks. Bridewell, 20 Nov. 20 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 Feb. —S.B.

21. Wm. Burdon, chaplain. Presentation to Bekyngham church, Linc. dioc., in the King's gift by the minority of Blanche, one of the ds. and hs. of Margaret Willughby, d. of Richard lord Beauchamp. Greenwich, 21 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

21. Walter Harold, clk. Inspeximus and innotescimus of a charter dated on the eve of

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St. John the Baptist 7 Hen. VI., and witnessed by Sir Ric. Delabere, Thos. Newporte, husband of Eleanor, eldest d. of Sir Richard lord Grey of Codnour, John Devereux, John Marbury, Thos. Downton, Walter Hakeluyt, and many others; granting in tail to Sir Roland Lentall and Lucy his wife, second d. of Sir Richard lord Gray of Codnour, his manors, lands, &c. of Hampton, Mapnour, and Monkelane, Heref., which the grantor lately held along with John Delabere, deceased, by grant of the said Roland. Westm., 21 Feb.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 14.

22. Sir Thos. Burgh. Livery of lands as s. and h. of Sir Edw. Burgh, and kinsman and h. of Sir Thos. Burgh, sen.; viz., son of the said Edward, son of the said Thos. Burgh, sen.; and as kinsman and h. of Margaret, formerly wife of Henry lord Grey of Codnor, one of the ds. and hs. of Sir Henry Percy Dathell, deceased, viz., s. and h. of the said Edward, s. and h. of the said Sir. Thos. Burgh, sen., s. and h. of Thos. Burgh and Elizabeth his wife, who was sister and h. of the said Margaret, wife of Henry lord Grey, and another of the ds. and hs. of the said Sir Henry Percy Dathell; also as s. and h. of Anne, late wife of the said Sir Edward Burgh, d. and h. of Sir Thos. Cobham, deceased, and kinswoman and h. of Sir Reginald Cobham, also deceased, viz., d. of the said Sir Thomas, uncle and h. of Margaret formerly countess of Westmoreland, d. and h. of Reginald Cobham, elder brother of the said Sir Thomas Cobham, s. and h. of the said Sir Reginald Cobham (the said Sir Reginald Cobham having died during the life of the said Reginald his father). Greenwich, 19 Feb. [20 Hen. VIII] *Del.* Westm., [22 Feb.] —S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 30.

22. Stephen de Pyghinucciis, native of Italy. Denization. Westm., 22 Feb.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 24.

23. Joan, widow of Sir Ric. Corbet, Humph. Wyngefeld, and Wm. Barnes. Wardship of Richard, s. and h. of the said Sir Ric. Corbet, with custody of the manors of Hatton, Hyndeheth and Hadley, Salop, and lands, &c. thereto belonging in these places, late of the said Sir Ric. Corbet, during the minority of the said heir, at the annual rent of 7*l.* 18*s.* —S.B., *undated.*—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 18. *Enrolment dated* Westm., 23 Feb.

24. Walter Otewell and Margery his wife, chamberer to the Queen. Annuity of 20 marks out of the issues of Charleton's lands, Tottenham, Middx.; in the King's hands by the minority of Peter, s. and h. of Sir Wm. Compton. Greenwich, 20 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Feb.—P.S.

27. Sir Gilbert Taylboys. Custody of the lands and tenements, &c. in the towns and fields of Markington, Ingarthorppe, Wallerthwait, Skilton juxta Boroughbrige, Clint, Ripeley and Colton, Yorksh., lately belonging to Wm. Ingilby, during the minority of Wm. Ingilby, s. and h. of the said William, with wardship of the said heir. *Del.* Westm., 27 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 36.

28. Sir Ric. Sacheverell. Mortmain licence to alienate the manor of, and certain messuages, &c. in, Overton-under-Ardren, Leic., and the manor of Brayston, Derby, to the annual value of 8*l.*, to Wm. Beane, abbot, and the monastery of SS. Mary and Modwin, Burton-upon-Trent, Staff. *Del.* Westm., 28 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat.* *p.* 1, *m.* 36.

5337. [—— to WOLSEY?]

Cal. D. x. 242. B. M.

"R. et Illust. D[omine] . . . . . fortuna et summa celerit[ate] . . . . . [quæ] fuit prima quadragessi[mæ hebdomada] . . . . . [p]erveni, statimque R. episcopum B[athon.] . . . . . elexi (?) allatum esse Pontificem . . . . . fuerit; postea tamen melius . . . . . [ha]bebatur, quod ex litteris quantum e . . . . . [p]rius ad D. V. R^mam ultima missit . . . . . scire licuit pontific[em] mo . . . . . spe . . . . . Itaque accept . . . . . conf . . . . . mensis." * * *

(*The rest is so mutilated that only a word here and there remains.*)

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5338. GHINUCCI and LEE to WOLSEY.

R. O. St. P. VII. 151.

Curzon came this 2nd of March. The guide appointed to conduct the Queen's servant would not suffer him to come straight to us, but constrained him to go to Toledo; and though the Emperor sent word that he should come straight to Toledo, after he found Curzon had nothing to say to him, he sent him to us, and a post with letters, of which we send a copy. As the Emperor tells us he will wait till the 8th of March, we must take the

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road to Toledo, but cannot come soon enough, unless he prolong the time. We shall have to speak with him more than once; and he may not suffer us to have another communication, or to follow him. It would be better if he leaves Toledo before we arrive, as his anxiety to give us audience there "is only to suppose that we shall go no further, if that our purpose to him do not please; and so we should neither promote further the matter of the brief, ne also the truce." Have given warning for their journey. Valladolid, 2 March 1529. *Signed.*

In cipher, p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

R. O. 2. Decipher of the above by Tuke.

R. O. 3. Modern decipher of the same.

2 March. **5339.** GHINUCCI to WOLSEY.

R. O. Has had nothing to write since his last letters, five days ago. After tomorrow, intend to have an interview with the Emperor. Valladolid, 2 March 1529.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.*

2 March. **5340.** FRANCIS I. to HENRY VIII.

Cal. E. II. 7a. B. M. "Treshault, &c. Nous avons entendu par voz ambassadeurs allans a Romme, et nag[ueres] . . . . . [ce que] vous sembleroit estre affaire de present es choses d'Escosse. Nous avons incon[tinent] . . . . . [un de] noz gentilzhommes et de la nation, pour aller pardevers vous et dela selon . . . . . pour mectre paine de tout son pouvoir a rompre et dissuader l'allience qu . . . . . avec la niepce de lempereur, chose si mal a propoz pour le bien et conduic . . . . . les raisons qui luy pourroient estre alleguees pour l'en empescher et desmo- . . . . . le voulloir ny consentir. Et pource que vosdits ambassadeurs nous donnere[nt] . . . . . iez bien que nostre trescher et tresaime cousin le duc d'Albanye, regent oudit royaume, feist ung voy[age] . . . . . roy d'Escosse, tant pour le dissuader de suivre l'oppinion de ceulx qui le veullent mectre en . . . . . [que po]ur tenir la main a ce que les choses y allassent selon vostre intention et la nostre; nous avo[ns voulu, treshau]lt, trespuissant et tresexcellent Prince, vous advertir que sy vous trouvez bon qu'il face . . . . . ce mesme chemyn. Il parle de faire par ensemble une ligue de nos personnes, estatz et . . . . . tre chose telle que vous adviserez se devoir faire. Nous sommes asseurez que toutesfoiz . . . . . ors il sera prest de sy acheminer, congnoissant vostre volente et la nostre estre totallement . . . . . [la me]sme chose, car desja nous en a faict responce depuis le temps que vosdits ambassadeurs . . . . . olle, soffrant de faire entierement en ceste matiere tout ce que vous et nous luy . . . . . certaine esperance de conduire les choses, et mesmement entant que touche ladite ligue . . . . . et maniere que le vouldrions demander. Parquoy, treshault, trespuissant et tres-ex[cellent Prince, nostre tres]cher et tresaime frere, cousin, compere et perpetuel allye, ayans entendu de cedit p[orteur] . . . . . [n]ous luy avons donne charge de vous remonstrer, et desquelles il vous plaira . . . . . oyons l'instruire et informer de ce que vous congnoistrez pouvoir servir a la condui[cte] . . . . . [c]hose, et nous voulloir advertir de la resolution que vous y prandrez, car n[ous voullons, no]n seullement en cela, mais en toutes autres choses nous gouverner et

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conduire . . . . . dirons a Dieu, treshault, trespuissant, et tres-excellent Prince, nostre tresche[r et tresaime frere, cousi]n, compere, et perpetuel allye, qu'il vous [ait en sa tres] saincte et digne garde . . . . . ij^e jour de . . . . . 1528."

Signed and sealed. Mutilated. Add.

2 March. **5341.** ROB. AMADAS.

R. O. Receipt by Robt. Amadas for 333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, with 100*l.* delivered to Cornelius, goldsmith, for my lord Cardinal's business, from Thos. Arondell, servant to my Lord. 2 March 20 Hen. VIII.

Parcels delivered by Robt. Amadas to Cornelius Hayes, goldsmith, since the last reckoning, 7 May 20 Hen. VIII.

16 May, 630¾ oz. fine silver, 9 oz. allowed for waste, at 4*s.* an oz. 22 May, 10 oz. fine gold, at 45*s.* 10 June, in payse groats, 128 oz. at 3*s.* 8*d.* 26 June, sterling groats, 112 oz. at 3*s.* 8*d.*; 3 oz. fine gold to gild, at 45*s.* 26 Aug., 5 oz. fine gold to gild my lord Cardinal's cross, at 45*s.* 3 Sept., 1½ oz. more for the same purpose. 4 Sept., 97¾ oz. crown gold, at 41*s.* 4*d.* 5 Oct., for the Legate's "masse," 120 oz. sterling silver, at 3*s.* 8*d.* 8 Oct., 160 oz. of st. silver for making 2 pillars for the Card., at 3*s.* 8*d.* 10 Oct., 2 oz. fine gold to gild them, at 45*s.*; 6 silver spoons, 6¾ oz. 1 dwt., at 3*s.* 8*d.* 16 Feb., 40 oz. crown gold for cramp rings, at 41*s.* 4*d.* 26 Feb., 2 old nobles to gild with, 19*s.* 6*d.* 2 March, for furnishing the Cardinal's great cross, 100*l.* in ready money. 20 March, 2 old silver pillars of the Cardinal's, 191½ oz., at 3*s.* 8*d.* 16 March, 10 oz. crown gold for a bell, at 41*s.* 4*d.* 4 April, an old pot of the King's crown gold, 22 oz. 1 dwt., 45*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*; 42⅜ oz. fine silver to make spangles, at 4*s.*; 3 old Harry nobles to gild them, 1*l.* 10*s.* 6 July 21 Hen. VIII., 70½ oz. fine silver for the footmen's coats, at 4*s.* 22 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII., for my lord of Norfolk, 9¾ oz. crown gold, at 41*s.* 4*d.*; for cramp rings, 128 oz. sterling silver, at 3*s.* 8*d.* 19 March 22 Hen. VIII., 45½ oz. crown gold for the King's cramp rings, at 41*s.* 4*d.* 28 March, 200 oz. st. silver for gilt and white spangles, at 3*s.* 8*d.*, and 3 oz. fine gold, at 45*s.*, to gild them, &c. Total 1,884*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*

Parcels delivered by Cornelius for Amadas since the last reckoning, 7 May 20 Hen. VIII.

For my lord Cardinal, at the mending of two covers for gold cups, 2*s.* 11 May, for Mr. Amadas, 2 pr. of clasps of fine gold, 4½ dwt. 25 July, for my lord Cardinal, a silver seal, 14 oz., and 5*l.* for the making; a silver gilt cross, weighing, besides the berall and iron, 257½ oz., at 6*s.* 8*d.* 11 Sept., for mending a bowl and a leyer which lacked a pin, and the knob was broke, 2*s.* 1 Oct., to the Card., by Dr. Stubbs, 2 silver gilt clasps for the epistoler, 2 oz. 3 dwt., at 6*s.* 8*d.* 7 Oct., for the Legate, a silver pillar, most part gilt, 78¾ oz., at 6*s.* 21 Oct., for the Card., 2 pillars, mostly gilt, 164 oz. 1½ q., at 6*s.* 28 Oct., for mending 2 salts, 2*s.* For the King, a gold George, set with 21 diamonds, weighing ¾ oz. 1½ dwt. more than the old George, at 41*s.* 4*d.* an oz., and 5*l.* for the making. 2 Nov., to Mr. Amadas, a leyer of crown gold, 32½ oz., at 41*s.* 4*d.*, and 5*s.* an oz. for making; for mending and new gilding the pommel of a chair for the King, 13*s.* 4*d.* 26 Dec., for the Card., 2 silver gilt clasps for the "gosopler" (gospeller), 1¾ oz.; a spoon of crown gold for Mr. Magnus, 4½ oz. 3¾ dwt., with 20*s.* for making. 28 Dec., a cup of crown gold for my lord Card., 59¾ oz. 3½ dwt., with 15*l.* for making. For my lord of Welbike, a salt of crown gold, 11 oz. 11 dwt., with 56*s.* 8*d.* for making. For my lord of Norfolk, 2 pomaunders and 2 spoons of crown gold, 15¾ oz. 1 dwt., and 4*l.* for making. For the Card., 2 rings of cr. gold, set with a great emerald and a diamond, wt. 13¾ dwt., and 10*s.* for making. For the King, a gold cup, weighing 59 oz. 4 dwt., and 14*l.* 16*s.* for the making. For the Card., a gold cross with a pair of beads, wt. with rings 1¾ oz., with 13*s.* 4*d.* for making; for mending a salt with a man bearing a

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pearl, 13*s.* 4*d.*; for mending another salt, garnished with stones and pearls, 16*d.*; for setting a great emerald in a ring, 6*s.* 8*d.*; 6 rings, set with a sapphire, 2 diamonds, and 3 emeralds, 2 oz. 1¼ dwt., with 30*s.* for making. For my lord of Welbycke, a spoon of crown gold, 2 oz. 11 dwt., and 10*s.* for making. For the Cardinal, 2 silver gilt clasps for massbooks, 2⅝ oz.; for new making the clasps for the gospeller, 5*s.* For the Card., by my lord Kytt (*sic*), a ring set with a pointed diamond ¼ oz., and 4*s.* for making. For the King, mending the cistern of silver, weighing more 14⅛ oz., 3*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*; 2 cistes for it, 13*s.* For the Card., for mending 3 candlesticks of silver gilt, for the vestry, 2*s.* For the Card. by Mr. Arondell, a chain and hook, silver gilt; for 2 casting bottles, 14 dwt., with the making, 4*s.* 4*d.* For the Card., by my lord of Carlyll, 2 rings, set with 2 great diamonds, weighing more 4½ dwt., 9*s.* 4*d.*, and 6*s.* 8*d.* for the making. 20 March, in cramp rings, 40 oz., and 8*l.* for the making. For the King, a gold cruse, 22 oz., and 5*l.* 10*s.* for the making. For the Card., by my lord of Carlisle, the garnishing of a staff with gold, ¾ dwt. less than his gold, and 13*s.* 4*d.* for the making, due 11*s.* 10*d.*; the garnishing of the nether part with fine silver, 9*s.* For the Card., a silver seal for Winchester, 11 oz., and 5*l.* for the graving and making. For Mr. ——— 2½ dwt., 8*s.* For the Card., a silver seal, 11¼ oz., with the making, 7*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* 13 April, 40 oz. of gold, and 134 oz. of silver cramp rings. For making a chain by a counterpoise, 30*s.* For the King, a silver seal, 18 dwt., and 20*s.* for making. 31 Oct., for my lord Henry of Richmond, a piece of a chain and a Garter of crown gold, 20 oz., and making the whole, 3*l.*; for mending a George set with diamonds, "weighing more ½ dwt.," and for the making, 3*s.* To the King, the great silver gilt cross which was for my lord Card., 973¼ oz., at 6*s.* 6*d.* For the irons and for the chest, 16*s.* 8*d.* For my lord of Norfolk, 2 signs of silver, graven with the Garter and his arms, 5½ oz., and 20*s.* for making. 2 irons graven with the foresaid arms, 8*s.* For my lord Henry's collar, 3 links of crown gold, 1¼ dwt., and 8*d.* for making. For my lord of Norfolk, 30 silver counters, 6 oz. 5 dwt., and 20*s.* for making. A penner and inkhorn, and 30 counters of crown gold, 14½ oz. 4½ dwt., with 4*l.* 10*s.* for the making. 3 pomaunders of crown gold, 9¼ oz. 4 dwt., with 3*l.* for making. The garnishing of a staff of crown gold, 5¾ oz. 2 dwt., with 40*s.* for making, and for the "ferke" of iron, 12*d.* The garnishing of a great book with silver gilt, 15¾ oz. 4 dwt., at 6*s.* 8*d.* Garnishing knives with silver gilt, 9¼ oz. Gold cramp rings, 45½ oz., and 3*s.* 8*d.* an oz. for making. Silver cramp rings, 128 oz., and 4*s.* 4*d.* for making. For making a chain of gold for the King, 30*s.* For Mr. Cheyne, 2 silver gilt pots which Mr. Amadas must pay for, 134 oz., at 4*s.* 10*d.*; for which he has received 140 oz. sterling, in money 25*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* 1,000 oz. gilt spangles at 6*s.* 6*d.* 300 oz. white spangles, at 4*s.* 6*d.*

Total, 2,033*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.*

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[2 March.] **5342.** [SIR ROBT. WINGFIELD] to BRIAN TUKE.

Cal. D. x. 406. B. M.

"[Mr.] Tuke, upon Saturd[ay] . . . . . past, I wrote my last . . . . . seeis over, the mast brake so tha[t] . . . . . this town, and sith the wind ha[th] . . . . . that no boat durst aventure whee . . . . . sone to your hand, as the other . . . . . twaine letters which I received th[e] . . . . . [the one] from the captain of Boulogne, and th[e other from the] burgomaster and scabyns of Newpor[t] . . . . . by sight of the said captain's letters . . . . . may see that the letters of which I wrote . . . . . to Mons. de Vendosme, to the count de Ba . . . . . captain of Boulogne, be comen to hi . . . . . surely sent forth

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also, he shall may . . . . . said letter what answer he maketh to . . . . . I made unto him for the free passage of a . . . . . but also for such persons as passed . . . . . here, at the low water mark, but also . . . . . unto me whether I will suffer the mo . . . . . to pass through our limits to mak[e] . . . . . upon the Emperor's subjects, and return . . . . . with their boats, and they take . . . . . last letters to the said ca . . . . . whether that the * * * . . . . . which the Bay . . . . . [w]roott to me my said Lord be . . . . . gladly discharge themselves . . . . . merchants and lay it to the captain . . . . . esse in whose fault so ever it be, our ma . . . . . mayne their style.

"[I h]ave this day made an answer to the cape[teeyn] . . . . . concerning his desire to know my mind . . . . . before expressed concerning men of war . . . . . answered that till the war may be proclaimed and the term . . . . . [w]ekys after that be expired, I can neeyt[her] . . . . . [gr]aunt or condescend that any man of war . . . . . thir part shall pass through our pale to ma[ke] . . . . . enterprise on their enemies; nevertheless I also [told him tha]t if his men of war would make any enterpri[se] . . . . . on the enemies, not passing through our p[ale] . . . . . they for their surety will return with their booty [through our] pale, I would not let them to do their best.

". . . . . I use all the policy I can to save that the Emperor's folks [should have] none occasion to run upon us or we may be ready t[o encounter] them, for an they should, our East Pale were utterly [ruined,] and the inhabitants undone; all which I doubt . . . . . lord Legate's knowledge that I may th . . . . . as our Lord knoweth, who prese[rve] . . . . . ." * * *

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3 [March ?] **5343.** [SIR ROBT. WINGFIELD] to BRIAN TUKE.

Cal. D. x. 407. B. M.

"[Mr.] Tuke, in most hearty [wise I commend me unto you], avising the same that yester[day I sent a letter] unto you, and closed in the same tw[ain letters] directed to me, that one from the cap[tain of Boulogne, and the] other from the bayly, burgomaster, and [echevins of Newport], wherefore these shall be but to accom[pany other letters] directed to my lord Legate, for new ma . . . . . by day, that both my said Lord and ye s[hould need have] much patience with my many rude lette[rs] . . . . . Sir, when Dr. Steven Gardiner was [here, he told me] that ye had written to him after his dep[arture], and by your said writing avised him tha[t] . . . . . send him a letter from the King directed t[o the mayor of] this town, for the delivery of one Wm. Russel[l] . . . . . of this out of the said mayor's prison un[to which he was] committed by commandment for unfitt[ing] . . . . . words, which he spake, being swollen w[ith] . . . . . oppressed with extreme poverty for lack of pay . . . . . which letter, if it be purchased already, I p . . . . . and if it be not, I heartily pray to opte[yn the same, and] by so doing ye shall deserve thank of Go[d] . . . . . only, sore charged with wife and children . . . . . prisonment, and for conclusion of these . . . . . do you any pleasure here or elsew[here] . . . . . Calais, the 3rd day of M† . . . . . ."

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3 March. **5344.** PETER VANNES to WOLSEY.

R. O. Though Wolsey will learn the news from their common letters to the King and himself, thinks it proper to devote this to Wolsey apart, for the King's guidance. The Pope is unwell, and has not been able to receive us since the first salutation of which we wrote. The physicians do not know what to make of his case. The fever sometimes goes off beyond expectation, sometimes becomes most vehement. Expected to have had another audience within six days after their last letters; but the hope is more distant than ever, and neither James Salviati nor the doctors can say anything about our access until he has recovered.

There was but one hope of retarding the progress of the Imperialists in Naples, viz., that Aquila and Matrix should be defended by the confederates; but the former, as we wrote, has been already taken, and shortly afterwards the other fell into the hands of the Imperialists by the treachery of those who had been placed by the French to keep it. The French have lost everything in Labrucio, and the way is open to the Imperialists, who are now but sixty miles from Rome, to go where they please. Some think they will descend on Urbino, some on Florence. The French king's officers (*ministri*) are severely blamed, as with very little expence the fall of Aquila might have been averted. Now the loss cannot be repaired, even if a large sum were sent by Francis. Soldiers can only be got in the Papal and Florentine dominions. The Pope, on the arrival of the abbot of Farfa, whose delay was certainly much less than Wolsey supposes, ordered the magistrates in his dominions not to allow forces to be mustered by any one. Renzi is a long way off, and has scarcely 4,000 foot, which he needs to defend Trano and Barletta, and auxiliaries can only be sent to him by the Venetians, and by a long and perilous voyage.

Can write nothing certain about the King's cause, except that we spoke to the Pope about it. The bishop of Verona has come to Rome to see the Pope in his illness, led first by a sense of duty, and also by the art of the cardinal of Mantua, de Medici and Sir Gregory. Will endeavor to keep him here, and make use of him. He is very dear to the Pope, although he professes to have no influence with him. He promises, however, to use all efforts in the King's behalf. He says the only cause of his leaving the Pope's palace was that the Pope *did not attend to good advice, and was not grateful to those that deserved well of him; but Wolsey must take care not to tell this to Campeggio.* Sent the bulls of Winchester on the 16th, which he obtained from a consistory of the Cardinals because they were in great want of money. The rest must be deferred till the Pope's recovery. Hopes Wolsey will provide the money of which he has so often written. Have engaged, as they were commissioned to do, certain advocates here; for the auditors of the Rota will consult nobody but the Pope. The most learned of the advocates consulted *thinks that the Pope cannot give a dispensation that the King may marry again on the Queen entering a religion.* Rome, 3 March 1528.

Hol., Lat., pp. 5; two passages in cipher deciphered. Add. Endd.

3 March. **5345.** R. GRUFFITHE to WOLSEY.

R. O. Reminds Wolsey that he encouraged him to declare any grievance of himself or his tenants. His poor tenants and servants are daily vexed by the malice of such light persons as be deputies under my lord Ferrars in these parts, who keep them "under appearance" from county to county, for their pleasure only. Requests letters from Wolsey to my lord Ferrars that he may be his deputy, justice and chamberlain in South Wales. Would be content to give my Lord such sum as Wolsey thought convenient for it. Cayrewe, 3 March. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.:* "Yong Mr. Rice's letter of the 3 of March."

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3 March. **5346.** CHARLES V. to MAI.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 72. B. M.

* * * The king of England has sent hither to obtain from him the dispensation granted for his marriage with the Queen. The Queen also, at his desire, has written and sent him a chaplain of hers. Is assured that she has done this under constraint, and that she writes at the King's dictation, both to this court and to other parts. They have also made her swear that she will not write anything in this matter without the King's knowledge. Two lawyers sent into England by Madame Margaret to defend her cause have been ordered out of the kingdom, so that she is not at liberty to do anything in her own cause. It is therefore right that his Holiness should revoke Campeggio's commission at the Emperor's request, as a person related to her, and recall the cause to Rome. Mai had better consult the cardinal Sanctæ Crucis about it. Toledo, 3 March 1529.

Sp., pp. 4, modern copy from a draft from the archives of Simancas.

3 March. **5347.** LEE to TUKE.

R. O.

Since Curzon's arrival at Fontarabia, have sent packets of the 12th, 15th, 19th, and 25th Feb. Begs he may have his diets by Vivaldi. Valladolid, 3 March 1529.

Hol., p. 1. Add. Endd.

3 March. **5348.** GARDINER to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 152.

As they have written to Wolsey, cannot have access to the Pope on account of his illness. The bishop of Verona thinks they will not be admitted for a month, and they have little hope of succeeding with the Pope. The Imperialists have the upper hand here. The prince of Orange is within 60 miles of Rome, with 12,000 men, having taken Matrice in the last two days. Renzius has only 4,000 men, and is 300 miles off, at Barlet and Trani.

Learns by Gregory Casale that the Pope has given a promise to Gregory, respecting which the King wondered that it had not been sent by Vincentius. It is safe at Bononye. Rome, 3 March.

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3 March. **5349.** P. EARL OF OSSORY to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Two of the King's justices here, Richard de la Hide, chief justice of the Common Pleas, and Bartholomew Dillon, secondary justice of the King's Bench, are of Kildare's bringing up, and have had much rule under him. Out of enmity to Ossory, they get others of the King's council to resist the King's matters, spreading reports that Kildare is about to return with greater authority than ever, so that the King's deputy is but little regarded. Begs that they may be removed, and their places supplied by impartial men, as Robert Cowley will show more at large. The revenues here are not enough, by 200 marks, to pay the officers' fees; and Ossory has no subsidy of the King's subjects, like former deputies, though the revenues at that time were 700*l.* better than now. Yet there was never more need, considering the wars he has sustained against O'Conoghor and O'Neale with the Geraldines since he became deputy. The Englishry would have been utterly destroyed if he had not been greatly befriended and brought down a great army at his own cost. Is compelled to keep another army continually against Desmond. When he comes down into the Englishry, must leave his son James to resist him. Is obliged to meet all these charges at his own expence, which he cannot do. Encloses a letter sent by one William Bathe, of the Temple.* If Wolsey thinks he has deserved any punishment for writing it, desires that it may be administered. Dublin, 3 March. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. Add. and endd.

* See 16 August 1528.

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3 March. **5350.** CLOTH OF GOLD for the WARDROBE.

R. O. Bond given by John Francis Reiner de Bardi and his partners Francis de Bardi, John de Bardi, John Baptist de Caponis, and Jacobus de Caponis, merchants of Florence, to Wolsey and Brian Tuke, in 10,294*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.*, for the delivery into the King's great wardrobe, beside the Blackfriars, London, during 26 years coming, in payment of 10,294*l.* 14*d.* according to 26 several obligations, of cloths of gold, velvets, satins, and other silks, according to an indenture of 3 Sept. 20 Hen. VIII. Dated 3 March 1528, 20 Hen. VIII. *Signed by the partners De Bardi.*

4 March. **5351.** BRYAN TUKE to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. x. 82. B. M. Is about to make the copies of the last letters sent into Spain, and also of the new letters of which Wolsey has instructed him; and not knowing whether the Emperor's ambasssador will make hasty pursuit to Wolsey for the despatch of his servant, thought it well to explain his conceit in the matter. Is sure that the French king and the Emperor see how necessary peace is for them both. It is hard to say for which it would be most beneficial; but the French king's children must make him more anxious for it, and, seeing the King's intention about his marriage, he must despair of peace at the King's hands, or by this way. The Emperor, perhaps, may do the like. As to the Pope, peace is as necessary, or even more so, for him; and when he considers that what has been said to him implies the declination of England from his obedience, he must despair both of peace and of the dignity of the See. Reminds him of the separate overture made by Jacobo Salviati to the French king, the speed in the sending, and in the return of the King's gentleman and John Joachim, and the little information given of the Pope's answer. Adds to this the dispatch of the Pope's chamberlain, the overture of the Pope's voyage into Spain in Wolsey's company, and the fair words sent to keep the King in hope, lest he should do something prejudicial to the Holy See. His Holiness will, doubtless, think nothing sure, unless he get Wolsey in his power, under colour of peace and the King's matter, knowing that if Wolsey is with him he can keep the King in his obedience, without consenting to his request. He must consider also the pretext of the bishop of Bayonne to return home before he heard of the Pope's sickness, and the desire of the Emperor's ambassador to return, whose presence is more esteemed in Spain than twenty such as the bishop of Worcester and Mr. Almoner. Does not think the bishop of Bayonne will return, or any person of importance in his place. Reminds him also of the sending of my lady Margaret's folks through France into Spain. Thinks Wolsey had better wait to hear from Mr. Stephens and the ambassador in Spain before allowing the Imperial ambassador to send a servant to procure his departure. London, 4 March 1528.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

4 March. **5352.** JOHN CASALE to WOLSEY.

R. O. The Pope has not yet recovered, but, as I announced in my letter of 23 Feb., is better. He has sent for the bishop of Verona. The abbot of Farfa is gone with money to Aquila, which requires aid. The prince of Orange intended to take his army out of Naples to the upper parts of Italy. Renzo has sent a secretary into France. We hear that new forces are coming from Spain, whom St. Pôl attempted to prevent from going to Milan. There is no further news of the Emperor's coming to Italy. Doria will go to Rome, probably to speak with the Pope before he goes to Spain. The Turk is preparing for an expedition into Hungary, and the Vaivode is ready to make war upon Ferdinand, who is collecting forces to resist him. The duke of Urbino, hearing of the movements of the prince of Orange, has

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asked leave of the Venetians to return home, as his people will be destroyed in his absence. The Venetians think it would have been better to take care of Milan. Malatesta Ballioni is in great fear, and, unless the Florentines resist him, will look to himself. Venice, 4 March 1529. *Signed.*
Lat., pp. 3. *Sealed and addressed. Endd.*

R. O. 2. Duplicate, in the same hand, unsigned.

4 March. **5353.** CARDINAL'S COLLEGE, IPSWICH.

R. O. 1. Release, by Wm. prior of Rochester, of Felixstow, &c. to the college of Ipswich. 4 March 1528.
Lat., vellum.

R. O. 2. Draft of the above.
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R. O. 3. "A brief docket" of monies received by William Capon, D.D., first dean of Cardinal's College, Ipswich, for the buildings there.
Remaining on last account 324*l.* 13*s.* 5½*d.* Received of my Lord by Dr. Stubbes, 1,000*l.* Total, 1,324*l.* 13*s.* 5½*d.*
Paid in laborers' wages and for taking down the houses and clearing the stone at Snape, 1,322*l.* 11*s.* 1½*d.* Balance in hand, 42*s.* 4*d.*
P. 1, *large paper.*

R. O. 4. An inventory of copes of cloth of gold, satin, damask and velvet of various colors, vestments, crosses and "langets."
Pp. 3. *Endd.:* "Colleg' Gipwic'."

R. O. 5. Notarial attestation by John Darley, clk., of the diocese of York, made 5 March 1528, at the request of Thomas Donyngton, of a release of the priory of Rumburgh, &c. by the abbey of St. Mary's, York, to Wolsey's college at Ipswich. Present: Wm. Clifton, LL.D., and Th. Marcer, LL.B., of Linc. dioc.
Lat., vellum.

5 March. **5354.** WOLSEY'S COLLEGE, IPSWICH.

R. O. 1. Quitclaim by Cardinal's college, Oxford, to his college in Ipswich, of possessions in Blakamore, Stanesgate, &c. 5 March 1528.
Lat, vellum. Seal attached.

6 March. R. O. 2. Confirmation by the King of various concessions made to Wolsey's College at Ipswich. Westm., 6 March 20 Hen. VIII.
Lat., vellum; magnificently written. The initial letter contains a very fine portrait of Henry VIII.; and along the top scroll the royal arms are tricked by some superior artist, apparently a foreigner. Part of the royal seal attached.

R. O. 3. Quitclaim by the abbot of St. Mary's, York, of Rumburgh and of its appurtenances to the said college. 15 March 1528. *Signed:* Edmund abbot of York—Thomas Midland, prior of the same—Wm. Cokermothe, sub-prior. *Also by* Thomas Syngleton, master of Commons, Wm. Coverdale, "granator" of Richmondshire, and Robert Paddye, master of the manors.
Lat., vellum.

6 March. **5355.** MAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 80. B. M. In a P.S. to a letter dated Rome, 6 March 1529. Hopes, at the first *signatura* after the Pope is well enough, to get the queen of England's cause revoked. * * *
Spanish, pp. 18. *Modern copy from the archives of Simancas.*

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6 March. **5356.** [MAI] to ——

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 89. B. M.

This day, the 6th March, I received an enclosure from the ambassador in England, dated the 25th ult., who writes in reply to a letter of mine, declaring how tenderly your Majesty had desired me to look after the affairs of the Queen. I also received a letter from her Highness on the same subject. As we had written to her that it was needful the Queen or some one in her name should make an appeal that the cause should be removed to Rome, and as they write that the Queen is not in such liberty as it would be needful, they have arranged here with great difficulty that the Queen should write to the Pope in her own hand declaring her wish; and she writes to me to give the letter to the Pope very secretly, for it must on no account be known. The Pope is not yet well enough to transact business, but when he is I will give him the letter.

Spanish, pp. 2. Modern copy from the archives of Simancas. The original is said to be an enclosure in a letter of the cardinal Sanctæ Crucis to Charles V., dated Rome, 16 *March* 1529.

6 March. **5357.** THOMAS MAGNUS.

R. O.

Receipt by Thos. Magnus from Edmond abbot of St. Mary's, York, of 42*l.* for his expences in Scotland for 42 days ending Feb. 8, according to an article in his secret instructions from Wolsey. 6 March 20 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

5358. CARDINAL'S COLLEGE, OXFORD.

R. O.

Draft inspeximus by the King of the grant by Sir Wm. Weston and the hospital of St. John of Jerusalem to John Higden, dean of Wolsey's College, of certain lands, *sc.*, Saunford, Horsepath, Littlemore, &c., and dated 7 March 20 Hen. VIII.

Paper roll, Lat.

7 March. **5359.** HERCULES MISSOLUS to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 85. B. M.

Has spent the last week in following the French king to St. Helia, St. Germain's, and Poissy, and urging him to expedite Wolsey's matter.

The bishop of Bayonne said it was not his fault or the King's, laying the blame on the Chancellor (*magni, vel rotundi potius, eorum Cancellarii*), who refused to do anything while the Pope was in health. Knows that he is influenced by dislike to Wolsey. Has proceeded to Lyons as Wolsey ordered. Will write again from the camp or from Florence. Vincent left on Monday, March 1, at 3 p.m. Will leave today at 2 p.m. Lyons, 7 March 1529.

Hol., Lat., pp. 2.

7 March. **5360.** WILLIAM NEVILL to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Desires credence for the bearer, his servant. Has caused entry to be made in peaceable manner into the lands occupied by my lady Grevill, which he claims in right of his wife, and has brought an action against her for re-entering upon his possession. Has no doubt of the indifference of Sir Anthony Poyntz, the sheriff of Gloucestershire. Wike, Midlent Sunday.

P. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Cromwell, with my lord Cardinal's grace. *Endd.*

7 March. **5361.** [TAYLER to WOLSEY.]

Cal. D. x. 387. B. M.

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". . . . . your Grace . . . . . unto his Highness . . . . . s contained that the . . . . . .

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. . . . . but it was doubtful of his . . . . . and that the generall made g . . . . . I showed it was expedient . . . . . the protestations both in his nam[e] . . . . . names were sent to his ambass[adors] . . . . . secret readiness whatsoever should . . . . . to him both Mons. the Grand Mast[er and the bishop] of Baion, the which made answe[r] . . . . . protestation was sent forth and . . . . . the Cardinal's protestation.

"Also this day I received letters from [Ma]s[ter] . . . . . of Spain, because he writeth un . . . . . be of importance, I have dispatched this p . . . . . Mons. Langes hath been coming every [day] . . . . . and deferred from day to day. Wheref[ore I will not] suffer these letters to tarry of his coming . . . . . This day after dinner the ambassador [of . . . . . had] audience of the King. Other news w[e have none, except] that on Tuesday or Wednesday the K[ing and my Lady leave] Paris, wherefore I beseech your Grace [to let me know your] pleasure what I shall do." . . . . 7 March.

Mutilated.

8 March. **5362.** FRANCIS I. to WOLSEY.

R. O. Having heard from the King his intention in the Scotch matter by his ambassadors who lately passed this way to Rome, I wish to inform him of the desire I have to oblige him. I have therefore despatched the present bearer, with express orders to communicate his charge to you, and be guided by your counsel. I beg of you to despatch his business as promptly as you can. Paris, 8 March 1528. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

8 March. **5363.** TAYLER, Master of the Rolls, to WOLSEY.

R. O. The bearer is the gentleman that should go to Scotland, for which the duke of Albany has begged me to write three words to your Grace. It is said that the Cardinal General of the Observants at Rome is of no great estimation. A number of idle people have been taken up here at Paris, and sent to the galleys. Langes, brother to the bishop of Bayonne, will give you further information. Paris, 8 March 1528. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

8 March. **5364.** THOS. DONYNGTON to WOLSEY.

R. O. Sends the confirmation by the chapter of York of the prebend of Wetwang, and the release of the abbot and convent of St. Mary, of the priory of Romeburghe "consigned with the abbot and certain of his brethren hands with the King's writ of *dedimus potestatem* to be directed for taking their cognition and certificate of the return under my seal, and also an instrument, under a notary sign, of sealing and delivering the release, wherein the abbot and convent made their grant benevolently." The lordship of Kexby and other possessions belonging to Wolsey's college at Oxford shall be ordered according to his pleasure and profit. The chancellor of Beverley has recovered his health. He would be content to leave his parsonage of Brandesburton, with 15*l.* clear, to Ant. Appilby, under-receiver of the "provestrie" of Beverley. Wolsey will have 20*l.* for the assignation of the pension. "From your Grace churche of Yorke," 8 March. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate a latere and Cardinal. *Endd.*

8 March. **5365.** EDMUND ABBOT OF YORK to CROMWELL.

R. O. According to Wolsey's desire, has sealed the writing brought by Mr. Donyngton. Thanks Cromwell for the willingness he has expressed to

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favor the monastery. "From our Monastery, the 8th day of March, with the ill hand of him that is," &c.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his very loving friend Mr. Cromwell, servant to my lord Cardinal's grace.

5366. ANNE BOLEYN to T. CROMWELL, Secretary of my Lord.*

Credence for Geo. Tayllor. Hampton Court, 8 March. *Signed in the margin.*

9 March. **5367.** MONTMORENCY to WOLSEY.

R. O. The King is sending De Langey, of his chamber, to England, with instructions; he will communicate with you. Proffers his services. Paris, 9 March. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

5368. FRANCIS I. to [HENRY VIII.]

Cal. E. II. 6. B. M. Strype's Mem. I. P. i. 31. Excuses his long delay in sending him news. The bearer, Langeais, a gentleman of his chamber, will explain the reasons. Desires credence for him.

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5369. FRANCIS I. to WOLSEY.

R. O. Has delayed despatching to England [an ambassador] in place of Perot Douarty, whom he had long intended to send. Has commanded Langey to explain the reasons. As it was principally upon Wolsey's account, and out of his desire to gratify him upon the coming of the bishop of Bayonne, trusts he will be satisfied. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Mons. le Legat, mon bon amy. *Endd.*

5370. GARDINER, BRIAN and VANNES to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 90. B. M. The French king wrote a letter of credence to Bryan, which was delivered to him by the French ambassador, who told him that the French king thanked him for the good account he had given of him to the allies, and for what he had said of the indissoluble friendship between him and Henry. He then said, as of himself, that he thought it his duty to tell Bryan that he had heard that he and his colleagues had offered in the King's name a great sum of money to the Emperor for his consent in the King's cause, and that the Imperialists boasted that they would obtain money on this pretext, and that the King would in the end be deluded by the Pope. Said that this was an idle story, and that the King, trusting in the justice of his cause, had forbidden them to make any offers to any one; and asked him to refer to his colleagues,—which at length he did.

Believes that some one has written thus to Francis to make him suspect that the King wishes to come to an agreement with the Emperor. Tells this to Wolsey that he may clear the King from the suspicion if he think it necessary. The Pope gave a hint to this effect to Gardiner and Vannes, and said that he was surprised that the Emperor had not offered peace to the King if the Queen could be persuaded to enter religion. Said that the friendship between the kings of England and France was indissoluble. His Holiness replied that it was not expedient that this friendship should be dissolved while the Emperor was so powerful. Said that the friendship was

* An original sold by Messrs. Puttick and Simpson.

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perpetual, and that they could not talk of this. Do not know whether the Emperor or the Pope have commenced such practices, or whether any one else has written about it to the French king. Send the credential letters of the French king.

Lat., pp. 3. *Cipher, deciphered. Endd.*

10 March. **5371.** FRANCIS I. to SIR FRANCIS BRYAN.

Vit. B. XI. 91. B. M. Desires credence for the "president des comptes," his ambassador with the Pope. Paris, 10 March 1528. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

11 March. **5372.** RICE GRIFFITH to WOLSEY.

R. O. Thanks him for his continued goodness. Complaint has been made to him that robberies have been committed by a bark of Bristowe, commanded by Wm. Hughes, and owned by Ric. Foxe and one Sunter of Bristowe, in consequence of which no Bretons or Portingales dare to come to Mylforde. Hearing that they were at Mylforde with a ship of salt for sale, sent for them, giving them a safe-conduct, without which they could not come. Asked them to submit to the King, promising to speak in their behalf, which they refused. Bought their ship, distributed the salt among the people, and manned the ship with ordnance and men for the capture of the said bark, the master of which undertook to capture it, on condition of pardon. Gives an account of its capture after chasing 10 picards of Ireland into the haven, while the captain and two others were with him on safe-conduct. Has sent the crew to Pembroke Castle, and has set men to keep the others. If he had not sent for them, there would probably have been many men slain, and they might all have escaped. Is told that he ought to have half the bark, and he asks the King to give him the other half that he may keep her to protect the coast. Carew, 11 March. *Signed.*

Pp. 4. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's grace. *Endd.:* Mr. Rice Griffith, 16 March 1528.

11 March. **5373.** JOHN, ABBOT OF BREWERNE, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks him for the trouble he takes, as Dr. Trigunwell and Wadham have told him. Trusts, with his help and Arundel's, to come soon to his own. The contrary appears to what has been stated by Elyott in his late letter to the convent for sheriff Harecourt. Showed Wadham on the 10th that a supplication had been sent to the convent to get their seals, and for a company to go to my Lord's grace, to make exclamation against me. Most of the persons that have come up have used themselves riotously about the abbey. Sends a copy of Elyot's letter, and a citation of the bp. of Bangor's of the persons named. My Lord of Tower Hill cannot do better than to stay one of them who is now in London, for he goeth in apostasy, and has been suspended by his ordinary. Will gladly pay him for the furtherance of his matter. His opponents have boasted they will spend 100*l.* to turn him out of the abbey. The justice of peace next the abbey, who has been commanded in the King's name by Thomas Pacey to guard against the riot, little regards it. His name is Osbalston. Rewley, 11 March.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

5374. [TAYLER to WOLSEY.]

Cal. D. X. 388. B. M. * * * * *

" . . . . . after she had . . . . . [v]ery good reports the w[hich] . . . . . [t]o the King's grace and to be . . .

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. . . . . him in England. I am right w . . . . . every man that cometh from thence . . . . . good cheer they have there. Further-[more, I am informed that] Almayn, the Emperor's secretary, is ta[ken and put in good] and sure custody; the specialties wh[ereof her Grace did not inform] me. Also she told me that thambass[ador . . . . . had] been with her, ascertaining her Grace th[at he had heard] out of good and sure place that Mr. S . . . . . [was gone to] Rome to conclude peace with the Emperor b . . . . . and that the Venetians should be exclud[ed] . . . . . of me if I heard any speaking thereof, in . . . . . such thing, I should keep secret, and . . . . . Venice moved anything thereof, I should s . . . . . I did unto her Grace that he was gone in . . . . . the private causes of the King's highness. [Other news I] have none; but Almighty Jesu preserve your G[race]." Paris, 13 . . . .

Mutilated.

14 March. Vit. B. XI. 86. B. M.

5375. WOLSEY to GARDINER, BRIAN, GREGORY CASALE, and VANNES.

Yesterday, while he was with the King, their letters of the 3rd and 21st arrived. Has not received their letters of the 14th with the bulls for Winchester. Desires them to find out what has become of them. Has made a fresh arrangement with Vivalde for the money. The King received yesterday letters from the bp. of Worcester and Mr. Almoner, dated the 12th ult., stating that the nuncio who was resident in Spain is dead. Encloses a copy of the letter. The Pope's rescripts to the Emperor for exhibition of the original brief here or at Rome must therefore be sent to some other person favorable to the King's cause. Desires Gardiner to write to the Bp. and Almoner that they may make the certificates accordingly, and also to endeavor to procure the appointment of a nuncio of another sort than the late one, whose death they think will be no "demore" to the King's cause. The King and he are glad to hear of the Pope's recovery, and hope they have already been with him.

The letters sent by Casale and Hercules (Missolus) will tell them what to do if the Pope dies. Doubts the truth of their reports about the strength of the Imperialists. The friendly Cardinals must be the more solicited to look unto themselves, lest they fall into the power of the Imperialists.

The Emperor's ambassador has just brought to the Queen a transumpt of the brief alleged to be in the Emperor's hands, passed by the archbishop of Toledo and the late nuncio. Encloses a copy. The King summoned his Council to decide upon the efficacy of the transumpt, and divers notable defaults have been found in it, which give more suspicion than ever. Sends a book giving the particulars of these faults. The Pope or any other person will easily see that all is craft, color and falsity, and that by making the transumpt before it is required, and in an insufficient manner, they intend to prevent their being called upon to show the original. All this they are to show to the Pope. As they have gone about to supply the defaults of the bull by a brief alleged to be in their hands, they in manner confess the bull to be of no effect. Their recurring to the allegation of a thing forged, feigned and untrue, is a proof that the whole matter of matrimony is void and of none effect. The Pope, therefore, while God gives him time, should put an end to this just cause, lest, wilfully suffering a thing of such high importance to be unreformed, to the doing whereof Almighty God worketh so openly, he should incur God's displeasure. They must remind him of the danger to his soul if he die without reforming it. Charges them to see the matter speedily and effectually executed.

The errors in the brief in writing the King's name, his father's, the Queen's and prince Arthur's, make the King and all other wise men here

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think it is forged; for no person can think that such errors could pass the secretaries or the Chancery, especially as Sigismunde was a man of such experience, and no such errors are found in his writings. It is thought that the Pope can make no reasonable difficulty in the matter. Fears that the letters with the bulls of Winchester have miscarried, and desires them to send duplicates. Hampton Court, 14 March. *Signed.*

The King hears from his ambassadors in Spain that the Emperor's voyage into Italy is laid asleep for this year, and that the biscuit and other victuals provided for the voyage are put to sale. Wishes them to inform the Pope thereof. The French king is making fresh preparations to invade Spain, and has gone towards Bloys. He intends to reinforce his armies in Naples and Milan, that the Pope may the less regard the Emperor's power, and have the better commodity to bring about a peace at the convention. *Signed.*

Pp. 7. *Add. Endd.:* a R. D. Eboracensi, octava Martii.

5376. The Divorce.

Vit. B. xi. 108*. B. M.

Julius was created Pope Nov. 1., and crowned Nov. 26, 1503. In the date of the brief the year is computed from Christmas, which is an error. The brief should have contained the clause "non obstantibus constitutionibus et ordinationibus apostolicis," especially as there is a constitution of a general Council against such a dispensation. The brief could, however, be sustained without this clause. A king is styled "dilecto filio in Christo, Henrico, &c," a King's son or other prince "dilecto filio Henrico." There is no absolution from censures, which is commonly placed in Apostolic letters, though sometimes omitted in briefs. The clause is omitted, "proviso quod tu, filia, propter hoc rapta non fueris," which is commonly inserted in letters Apostolic, though sometimes omitted in briefs.

Lat., p. 1.

Vit. B. xi. 105. B. M.

2. If the Queen intends to make use of the dispensation granted to her by brief by Julius II., the original must be produced, that its genuineness may be investigated. 1. It must be examined in the sunlight to see if there are any erasures. 2. Whether anything has been obliterated and rewritten. 3. Whether paper has been gummed over an erasure. 4. Whether letters and words are more distinct in one place than in another, or there is any blemish in the paper. 5. The seal of the Fisherman must be compared with other seals of Pope Julius. 6. Whether the whole brief is written in the same hand, and whether the last line is complete. 7. Whether the secretary's signature is in the usual place. 8. Whether the paper is old, and whether the brief is according to the style of the court of Rome. 9. Whether there is any false Latinity or other discrepancy. 10. To compare the style and the letters. 11. To search for a copy in the register. 12. To ask the advice of advocates learned in the style of the Court. 13. To advise the Pope to use his authority to discover the truth.

Lat., pp. 2.

Vit. B. xi. 107. B. M.

3. To ascertain whether there is any error in the date of the brief, it must be considered whether in briefs the year is computed from Christmas. If so, there is a manifest error, for the date is 26 Dec. 1503, in the name of pope Julius, who was not created pope until 1 Nov. 1503, 10 months later. It is of no avail to say that the year has been computed in the brief from the Incarnation, for that is contrary to the style of the court of Rome, and is a manifest error, which gives great suspicion of forgery. Even if this error were not sufficient alone to cause a suspicion of forgery, it assuredly is so when joined with the other errors in the brief. There are wanting the absolution from censures; the clause "proviso quod tu propter hoc rapta non fueris;" the derogatory clause; although there is mention of the legitimation of issue, there is no mention "de prole incepta," all which

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are contrary to custom. If it is objected that briefs have no particular style, would answer that even if it be so, the matter of the brief, being a dispensation of affinity, requires certain clauses, which the scribe has not inserted, and it is therefore to be supposed that the brief has not emanated from the court of Rome.

As a bull is of more power than a brief, and not much more expensive, it is unlikely that for a matter of such importance a brief should have been obtained, and it is much more probable that it has been lately concocted to exclude the only exception in the bull. If the agents of the king of Spain foresaw that this difficulty might arise, they would rather have had the bull corrected, as being safer than obtaining a brief. Even if they had obtained a brief, it would not have been in this form, but it would have given the whole tenor of the bull, and there would have been added "Sed quia a nonnullis dubitari forsan possit an dispensatio valeat, &c., ideo nos declaramus, &c." Does not think the brief invalidated merely by the omission of the derogatory clause.

Lat., pp. 4. *Endd.:* Concernentia suspicionem brevis.

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Vit.B. xi. 117. B. M.

Summary of the reasons which should persuade the Pope to pronounce sentence for the King, in the matter of the divorce.

1. The marriage is contrary to divine and human law. If the papal dispensation is put forward as an argument, it may be answered that the Pope's authority does not extend to degrees prohibited by the divine law, which limitation is not made by writers who wish to diminish his authority, but accords with his own opinions. The cause alleged for the dispensation, the confirmation of peace, was insufficient, as there was already a firm peace. Another argument against the dispensation is the silence concerning the King's age, and the suggestion that he desired the marriage for the continuance of the treaty of peace, which was impossible at an age at which the common law does not admit discretion.

The brief which has since been produced is false, for many reasons. All persons must agree that the dispensation should be annulled.

It is expedient that the succession to the kingdom should be fixed and incontestable, and that the King's conscience should be quieted. The Pope should grant his desires on account of his merits.

Lat., Vannes' hand, pp. 4.

14 March. **5378.** ROBERT AMADAS.

R. O.

Lease for 90 years to Robert Amadas, master of the Jewel House, by Henry*, abbot of Our Lady of Graces beside the Tower of London, of the marsh land called the [Wete]† Mersshe ["late shitt (enclosed) by the reverend father in God, —— Kempe, late bishop of London, deceased, and now again broken,"] in Stebbenhith (Stepney), Midd., late in the tenure of John Sylvester, of London, butcher, and now in that of Powle Alysaunder, pewterer; ["and also the residue of all their lands being within the said drowned marsh, that is to say, Wete, as much as lieth on the south side of the great breach out of the Thames, which was lately there surrounded with water."] The lessee is bound [to drain the marsh within four years], to keep in repair the walls, causeways, sewers, &c. Dated —— 20 Hen. VIII.

Draft in Wriothesley's hand, corrected by Cromwell, pp. 5, *large paper.*

* The Abbot's christian name is left blank in the first draft, but is supplied in the second.
† The words and clauses within brackets are crossed out in the draft.

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R. O. 2. A later draft, dated 14 March 20 Hen. VIII.
In Wriothesley's hand, pp. 3.

15 March. **5379.** YNIGO DE MENDOZA to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 107. B. M.

Thanks him for granting him his *congé*. Both on this account and on account of the illness which he has suffered for two months, the doctors, seeing his danger, have advised him to quit the country. All their treatment of him has been useless. The King wishes that of the two ambassadors he has in Spain (*alla*) the ordinary (*ordinario*), who was there before, should remain in that court, and the Bishop should come away. I expect they will not let me pass Bayonne until the said Bishop has arrived in France. Requests the Emperor to have him conducted to Fuentarabia until Mendoza passes the river, as is the custom.

Has informed Madame of all this, that she may send some person hither who may reside until he is appointed by the Emperor. Thinks, considering the great need of his departure, she will provide some one fit for the service of his Majesty. The matter of the truce depends entirely upon the Emperor. As to the Queen, it is in suspense, because the King is negociating at Rome to have the matter adjudicated here. If suit be not made at Rome to have it removed thither, the Queen's cause is lost.

Wolsey has sent to him to say that if the Emperor please that the French king's mother and himself should meet him at Narbonne, he believes the Pope would be very glad to join them there. Suspects these propositions are mainly put forward to stop the Emperor's going to Italy. London, 15 March 1529.

Spanish, pp. 3, *modern copy from the archives of Simancas.*

15 March. **5380.** TAYLER to WOLSEY.

R. O. St. P. VII. 153.

On the 10th the King left for Fontainebleau, intending a pilgrimage to Clery. Tuesday I go to Orleans. Received on the 13th, from Lyons, a letter from Hercules, enclosed, to you and Mr. Tuke. News is come that on the 1st the Pope had a fever; but, notwithstanding, on the 2nd, he gave audience to the Emperor's ambassador. The Imperialists have got Madrice in Apulia. The Florentines are in great dread of the prince of Orange. Chatillon was to have gone these 20 days with money to St. Pôl and Rens, but has not yet started. The Imperialists in Aquila have coined the jewels of the churches. and used great cruelty to get money. Paris, 15 March 1528. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

15 March. **5381.** DE HESDIN to [WOLSEY].

Galba, B. IX. 115. B. M.

Is still in trouble, owing to the persecution of his enemy. Trusts that the King and Wolsey will not abandon him. His services to his prince have met with ingratitude. Sends him two crossbows, which he would have sent before, but he was expecting to come to England. Asks him to send back the bearer. Curinghe, 15 March 1528.

P.S. in his own hand:—Desires credence for the bearer. *Signed.*

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15 March. **5382.** THOS. WYNTER to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Writes by Benet, by whom he has been kindly received, and for whom he desires Wolsey's favor. Wrote lately about Florentius (Volusenus), whose return he anxiously desires, as his studies suffer by his absence. Cyprianus is not only a most diligent teacher but a most dear friend. He instructs him by his readings, and delights him by his conversation. He has been with him daily for 12 months, reading Mela or Pliny, without

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taking any pay. Could not reward him worthily. Knows that he wishes to finish his life in England, where he spent his youth, and thinks he would not refuse a benefice if Wolsey offered it. Lupset says he knows nothing would be pleasanter to him. Paris, 15 March.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* R., &c., card. Ebor. Angliæ primati a latere Legato, &c. *Endd.:* Literæ R. viri Decani Wellen.

15 March. **5383.** BERNARDINUS TEMPESTINUS to SYLVESTER DARIUS.

R. O. Received his letters dated London, 7 Feb., on 4 March. Will comply with his wishes as far as he can, and will not fail to use his services in behalf of the King and Wolsey. Rome, idibus Mart. 1529.

Hol., Lat., pp. 2. *Add. and sealed. Endd.*

15 March. **5384.** WOLSEY'S OFFICERS.

R. O. Receipt by Robt. Harvy from John lord Lomley, of 18*l.* 6*s.*, being the arrears of the master forestership of Wardell for the 1st and 2nd years of Wolsey's bishopric, and of 17*l.* 1*s.* 7*d.* for the 14th year of Ruthal's bishopric, 15 March, "anno pont. dni. Thomæ Cardinalis e'pi Dunelm. sexto." *Signed.*

R. O. 2. Answer of lord Lumley to the duties laid to his charge by the Cardinal's officers in the see of Durham.

To the sums of 8*l.* 13*s.* 14*d.*, and 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *pro anno secundo et anno tertio pontificatus domini*, for his fees disallowed by Wolsey's order, he says he has a sufficient patent of the master forestership of Wardell, but he puts himself in Wolsey's hands. As to the yearly rent of 18*s.* within the charge of the collector of Chester, he says it is claimed by the dean of Chester, and has not been paid to Wolsey's predecessors for 20 years. He therefore wishes the dean to be called before Sir Thos. Tempest and other of Wolsey's council, and he will abide by their order. The two years' rent due from Axwells and Swalwells, at 36*s.* 10*d.*, is distrained for by Wolsey's officers.

Pp. 1. *Endd.:* Lord Lumley.

16 March. **5385.** KNIGHT to WOLSEY.

R. O. According to your commandment brought to me and Benet by Dr. Stephens at his arrival at Lyons, being advertised of his being at Rome, we proceeded to fulfil the same, although I shall be much incommoded, and should be glad if Dr. Tayler, who is well known at this court and better furnished, might continue some space longer, in which time I might make better provision. The Pope is not fully recovered. The Imperialists prosper in Naples. The Emperor has assembled two great fleets. The French king left on the 10th, and will keep his Easter at Blois. Paris, 16 March.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

16 March. **5386.** JOHN CASALE to WOLSEY.

R. O. Wrote last on the 4th. Vincent my cousin has written to me from France that he was ready to have come into Italy if the Pope had died. In that event you would have found us not unprofitable servants. Dom. Eserne has come here from Francis to urge the storming of Milan, asserting that the French king would make the necessary preparations. He says he has no occasion for the nine galleys. Joachim came here yesterday, but left immediately. It is reported that our troops have beaten the Imperialists in Apulia. The Pope is better, but cannot attend to business. The merchants have not kept faith with Vivaldi, who had ordered them to pay here 8,000 ducats. Venice, 16 March 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

Lat., pp. 2. *Add.*

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16 March. **5387.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 112. B. M.

The Pope has proposed of late to go to your Majesty and to France, and moreover to send for the cardinal of England to help in a general peace, saying that the one will have the office of St. Peter, and the other that of St. Paul. He has replied that he shall not object, provided there be no deceit, and that he will do his best to come to him. Since the Pope's recovery the matter has been talked of very warmly. For my part I never trust these things, and believe it to be a malicious invention to prevent the coming of the Emperor. It was so that pope Leo acted with the king of France, when it was said that he was going to Rome; he was on the road to Bologna, and agreed with him, and excused his going; and it appears that pope Julius did the same. Rome, 16 March 1529.

Spanish, pp. 16, *modern copy from the archives of Simancas.*

18 March. **5388.** CLEMENT VII. to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Notifies his convalescence, and thanks Wolsey for his kind compliments on the recovery of his health. Rome, 18 March 1529.

Vellum. Add.

18 March. **5389.** TAYLER to WOLSEY.

R. O.

The Grand Master sent for him before he should go to court, and as he was going thither a packet was sent him by Robert Tete (Robertet) from Mr. Stephens, with a smaller packet out of Spain from Lee. Except they look better to their affairs here, all things will go backward. The Imperialists begin to triumph, and our men go "a solas." Mewys (Meaux), 18 March 1528. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

18 March. **5390.** TRUCE.

Harl. MS. 442, f. 103. B. M.

Proclamation to be published by the sheriff of Yorkshire, declaring that the truce between the kings of England and France and the Emperor will endure until two months after one of the Princes gives notice of his intention to keep it no longer. Richmond, 18 March 20 Hen. VIII.

Modern copy, pp. 4.

19 March. **5391.** SANGA to CAMPEGGIO.

Foreacchi, p. 28 b.

The English ambassadors have been with the Pope, but not for long, owing to his debility. I need say nothing about the Pope's inclination to satisfy the King with regard to his petitions, as the King and the Cardinal must be aware of it. But the King's demands are such that the Pope can come to no determination without taking counsel both from some of the Cardinals and from learned persons, as he did on a former occasion, when Dr. Stephen (Gardiner) came to Orvieto. The Pope cannot do this again, because the matters to be discussed are of such great importance that it would be necessary for him to take part in the whole of the discussion, which would compel him to remain five or six hours daily for several days with his counsellors, as he did on the previous occasion; and the Pope's strength could not suffer so much fatigue without great danger to his health. The ambassadors themselves are witnesses to the Pope's condition, and that he can do no more. I hope, however, that his Holiness will be able to attend to this matter in a few days. In the meanwhile no time shall be lost in obtaining the opinions of able and learned men as to the course which his Holiness may take to satisfy his Majesty's desires. All that you write on this subject has been well considered. If he should be able to do nothing else, he will possibly cite the cause before himself. In short, the Pope

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wishes to satisfy the King; but in a matter which might create so much scandal it is requisite that he should proceed cautiously, and find means to justify his proceedings. I know that your Lordship, being anxious for the Pope to take some resolution in this affair, and having expected a reply for so many days, would like to see the Pope act differently; but I can say no more than I learn from his Holiness. The King and the Cardinal have written to the Pope, congratulating him on his recovery; to which letters a reply is made by the accompanying breves. Dr. Stephen has presented other letters in the King's own hand and in that of the Cardinal, touching their desire, &c. It will be necessary for the Pope to reply in his own hand, but he cannot do so at present. Rome, 19 March 1529.

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19 March. **5392.** IRELAND.

R. O.

"The examination of one other witness in the earl of Kildare's matters object."

Sir Gerald Mackshayne sworn upon the holy mass book and the great relick of Ireland, called *Baculum Christi*, in presence of the King's deputy, chancellor, treasurer and justice, at Dublin Castle, 19 March 1528:—

1. After Easter last the earl of Kildare sent hither from England Ric. Fitzgarralde, son of this deponent, to advise him to do good service to the King's deputy; but if the latter, being earl of Ossory, should lay claim to any of his lands he should keep possession till Kildare's return. 2. Sir Walter Delahide and his wife, with my lady Ellys, were commonly reputed the instigators of O'Connor's wars. 3. Was informed by Melour Faa that the earl of Kildare had given him a privy token touching his expedition in England, viz.,—that if his daughter Elys returned to Ireland before him he would understand the Earl was not at liberty to come home, and on her coming to Ireland Melour remarked to this deponent it was an evil sign for Kildare. 4. On the return of William and Walter Walsh's sons about Hallowtide, they told the Earl's friends to keep peace till St. Nicholas tide in expectation of the Earl's return. *Signed by* the earl of Ossory, John archbishop elect of Dublin, J. Rauson, prior of Kilmainham, and Patrick Bermyngham.

Pp. 2. *Endd.*

20 March. **5393.** TUKE to WOLSEY.

R. O.
St. P. I. 329.

Received your letters this morning, and went straight to Greenwich. As the King had wrenched his foot, could not see him till eleven, when I delivered him the letters which have tarried so long. The King asked how you were, and whether your leg was mended. Told him it was only a little cold and friction. He then broke open Mr. Steven's letter, which is more full of desperation than that to your Grace. Mr. Bryan's is of the same tone, affirming that the Pope would do nothing for the King, and adding "it might well be in his paternoster, but it was nothing in his creed." He spoke also of their coming to the Pope's presence, &c. The King said there was little comfort in the letters, but I satisfied him as well as I could. He liked the clause deciphered that the registry of the brief could not be found, and so reserved his letters with one enclosed in Bryan's, directed to I know not whom, but I suppose to Mistress Anne. Told him of the arrival of the French ambassador Langeais, who wished to know when he could see the King. Sir Antony Browne is commanded to accompany him. He keeps me here until I have instructed him in a letter directed to him from the French king. It is only a general letter for justice. The proclamation is made in London this day, and another is sent to Calais. I send you letters

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from the deputy of Calais, stating that the men of war in the Emperor's Low Countries have gone to Hungary. The Staplers will break up their household on 6 April next. Greenwich, Palm Sunday evening.

Hol. Add.

20 March. **5394.** ITALY.

Cal. E. I. 149. B. M.

"[So]mmarii di nove havute per lettere de li mei de xx. Marzo 1529."

The Signory has chosen as general of the men-at-arms Janes de Campo Fregroso, and 300 light horse, *alla Borgognona*, are enlisted.

"[Co]me alli do lo ill^mo capitaneo generale, et S^r duca d'Urbino, era partito de campo . . . . . paxato," in consequence of reports that the enemy are coming to that State. The Signory has confirmed the said captain Janni, with a provision of 50,000 ducats a year, on condition of maintaining 300 [men]-at-arms and 250 light-armed. The Signory has given conduct "al S^r suo fiol de Cavalli 100 alla . . . . . ovei 50 homini d'arme," with provision of 1,000 ducats a year. By letters of 17 Jan. from Constantinople, the Turk was making great preparations for Hungary. By letters of the 12th ult., the captain general would in five days [take] the field. The Signory had determined to raise 8,000 infantry. St. Pôl had taken a caravel (caravalle) by force, "et ha havuto le cast . . . . . epatti."

By advices from Rome of the 12th, the Pope "esser totalmente [recupe]rato." The following day, by compositions made with the castellans "di . . . . xvj^m et mille di beneficii de intra, doveano ditti castellani far la consign . . . . . di le terre."

There is a practice for sending the archbishop of Capua in place of the deceased nuncio, who was returning to Spain. In the kingdom of Naples, towards the Bruzo, all the Spaniards are returning. The prince of Orange had gone to Naples to provide money. All the papal party are much discontented. The Archduke has obtained from the county of Tyrol, " . . . . . nes 100^m per le cose di Turchi et non altramente."

All this month the Signory "hara suo . . . . . .

"Come M. Andrea Doria era ingente cascat . . . . . di l'andata sua a Roma, et era alqua . . . . ."

Ital., pp. 2, mutilated.

21 March. **5395.** TUKE to WOLSEY.

R. O.

At 8 this morning letters arrived from Rome, Spain, France and Calais. The letters from Dr. Stephens report little change in affairs. Mention is made of a great packet sent to the King, but I have only one little letter from Mr. Stephens, one from Sir Francis Bryan, and one from Mr. Peter (Vannes), which I keep, to be delivered to the King as soon as he is ready. The others I have sent to you, and ordered Derby, who is at London, to repair to you, for deciphering those out of Spain. I will wait here all day, lest you should have anything to send me. Strange news is come from Calais, that the Emperor is on board a fleet, attended by twelve ships, although the whole fleet amounts to more than six-score, near Newport; but he would be compelled to disembark at Flushing. The deputy of Calais wrote to me, the day before, of a great fleet of Spaniards, which passed by Calais. He thought they were a trade fleet. He has also heard the same news. The last letters from Spain mention that the Emperor was going to Barcelona. As I get more news I will let you know. Greenwich, Palm Sunday.

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22 March. **5396.** SPAIN.

R. O. Summary of the news written by Messer G. B. Malatesta, ambassador of the marquis of Mantua, from Saragossa, 22 March 1529.

Of the Emperor's intention to go into Italy. His desire to make peace with the potentates there. The prince of Orange is endeavouring to make an accommodation with the Venetians. He will be assisted by the Chancellor. The Emperor had arrived at Saragossa the Tuesday before, and was in a monastery of the friars there; and on 6 April he will go to Barcelona. The fleet has assembled at Cartagine. The Emperor will take with him 10,000 infantry and 500 men-at-arms, all gentlemen of the first families; and he has despatched Boniforte into Germany, to conduct the aid which the Empire is bound to give him.

P.S.—It is thought that the Emperor will not at present pass into Italy, but will go first to Barcelona, where he has summoned a court.

Ital., pp. 2. *Endd.*

23 March. **5397.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 148. B. M. *As to the matter of England, believes the advocation will be obtained.* Has used every effort to procure a copy of that brief from the register, but has not succeeded. Has obtained two briefs, which make mention of the matter. *If the cause be revoked* hither, we will defend it. Has occasionally discussed it with the lawyer whom Musetula engaged. He is a consistorial advocate, son of a physician, named Master Ferrando de Aragon. Rome, 23 March 1529.

Spanish, pp. 7. *Modern copy from the archives of Simancas.*

23 March. **5398.** S. VAUGHAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has sent him "the book indented" between Cromwell and one Fowler concerning the sale of the implements at Bromehill. Can find no other writings, in Cromwell's counting-house or elsewhere, of Felixstow, Rumbrughe or Bromehille. Spoke yesterday with Master Norton at my lord of Northumberland's place, who told him my Lord was disappointed of the money he expected at this time, but would see Cromwell paid shortly. Studley has paid; the money is in the keeping of Cromwell's mother. His family is well, praying for his safe return. London, 23 March.

Went yesterday with Williamson to Smythfield to buy Cromwell an ox, but met Henry Lodge, who said he could send him "mone agenst the tyme, so that he hath sent you a very good ox, and prayeth you now or never to help him." The bellfounder paid Williamson 40*s*. The Spanish fleet, so long detained by the weather, has arrived in Flanders and England. Counts upon Cromwell's return soon after Easter.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his right worshipful master, Mr. Crumwell, be this yeven at Gipswiche. *Sealed. Endd.*

26 March. **5399.** WM. BRABAZON and HUGH WHALLEY to CRUMWELL.

R. O. Are at Carew preparing for the safe-conducting of the King's stuff. A chaplain of my lady Howard's came with the King's command for her jointure, and asked leave to lie in the castle that he might have the chambers, where no stuff was, cleaned. Suspected him, and searched the room where he lay. Found in an old bedstraw, four boxes of evidences belonging to Narberth, Carew and Kidwelly; in his coffer, two pair of fine sheets and a diaper tablecloth; in his bedstraw four bowls of silver, double gilt, a broken chalice, a silver parcel-gilt box, the gilt cover of a standing pot, a dozen silver spoons, and a silver raven, worth by estimate 40*l*. Do not

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think any one knew of it but he. Accused him of this craft against the King, but he little regarded it. Cannot come to London as soon as they intended. Carew, 26 March. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To their right worshipful master Mr. Crumwell.

27 March. R. O. **5400.** LAUNCELOT COLYNS, Treasurer of York Cathedral, to WOLSEY.

At Christmas last, Wolsey commanded Thos. Crumwell to write to his chaplain, Mr. Donyngton, to see Colyns' servant recompensed for the parsonage of Bechope Burton; which he would have been long ago, if Donyngton had done his duty. Fears he has not done it in many other things. Will be as true to Wolsey as he was to his late master, deceased. Requests his seal to a grant sent to Wolsey's chaplain, Dr. Marshale. York, 27 March.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My lord Cardinal's grace.

28 March. R. O. St. P. VII. 154. **5401.** VANNES to HENRY VIII.

Will learn from their common letters what has taken place hitherto. By your Majesty's command I visited the Pope privately, and found him very weak. I begged of him not to be offended with what I should say. He replied briefly that he was well aware of my good intentions. I told him what confidence your Highness reposed in him; how long you had been expecting a favorable reply to your wishes; and the causes that moved you to desire a divorce. He expressed his anxiety to gratify the King. I told him what affection you had for him, how ready you were to make sacrifices in his behalf, and had always shown yourself ready so to do, when you expected nothing from him. He suddenly answered that he had submitted the examination of the brief (for on the disallowing of it Dr. Stephens was very urgent) to Cardinal S. Quatuor; and when he had heard his opinion, he would do his best to satisfy the King. I replied that your Majesty required his judgment on this matter as an indulgent father, and did not wish to be plunged into the technicalities of the law, which would be attended by so many delays and perilous consequences. I urged that every one felt that the authority and benignity of the Pope ought to be at hand as circumstances required, and that all men's feet were not to be fitted by the same slipper. I requested him not to deal in general replies, but by some definite response to gratify the expectations of your Majesty; and if he had any fear of the Emperor, to let me know it, and that he would determine at once upon the falsity of the brief. His Holiness replied that it would be best to produce the original as the best means of arriving at the truth. I answered that that would lead to long delays, and possibly to a repetition of the forgeries; that the presumptions of its spuriousness were manifold; and I offered to submit to the bp. of Verona the reasons collected by your Majesty to prove its forgery. Considers this was a prudent course, for reasons subjoined.

I begged of him to let me have an answer which I might send to England. He told me he could give no certain answer as yet, but would agree to certain particulars. I asked him to be a little more explicit. "Subjunxit id se innuere, ut modos omnes experiatur Regio vestro voto gratificandi, prompte id omnino facturus si . . . alia . . . . . tate id a se effici posse viderit." I told him a fairer opportunity would not be wanting, if he had only the mind. He said he would summon S. Quatuor and Simonetta, and tell them how, for many reasons, he had resolved upon this business of the divorce to satisfy the King, and therefore they must find some honest means for doing it. I could get nothing else from him. I urged that your Majesty was a much better, sincerer, and more impartial

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friend than the Emperor, if he had anything to hope or to fear. He said he feared nothing, but only wished a fair pretence to show to the Emperor, and he could give no reason till he had consulted S. Quatuor. I told him I had searched all the registers carefully, and could find nothing. The private registers we have not consulted, as they are often fraudulent. Rome, 28 March 1529.

Hol., Lat., pp. 7. *Add. Endd.*

5402. JOHN WEST, Friar Observant, to WOLSEY.

Cott. App. XLVIII. 48. B. M.

Asks him to make ready the letters and articles following, "for the tyme drawythe nere off exspyration and the tyme drawythe nere off Frankford Martte," which begins on the Annunciation.

Information and instructions of the treason touching Ric. Harman; letter to Mr. John Hakett of the same; to Hakett and Sir John Stylle, governor of the [Eng]lyshe merchants beyond sea, to send Wm. Claye, mercer of London, and Wm. Dawnsye, with a sure guard, as rebellious fugitives; Claye has taken 1,000*l.* belonging to John a Poole, mercer of London, keeps company with Harman, and rails on the Pope, Wolsey, and the whole Church, with Lutheran opinions and opprobrious words; to Harman Ryncke, of Colleyn, with a bill for the payment of the books, 63*l.* 4*s.*; to the bp. of Colleyn, for the delivery of heretics; to the bp. of Maguntia, for the delivery of W. Roye and W. Hutchyns, otherwise Tendalle, traitors and heretics; two to the card. bp. of Lucke, otherwise called Le . . . . . from Wolsey and the Legate Laur. Campecy[us, who] is here now in England, about the delivery of Ric. Harman; to the lady Margaret and the Emperor's council, with one from the King for the same, and others to the lord of Barowe, as Harman will be at Passe Marte at Barow now at Easter.

"I praye your Gracce to dyspencce with . . . . . that I schall see necessarye for to be done in this bessynes . . . . . Rincke serwant John Gelger and I may go togyther pryve[ly] . . . . . Gracce more opon Mondaye."

Hol., pp. 2, *mutilated. Add.:* "To the lord Legate's grace of England." *Endd.*

5403. TUKE to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 80. B. M. St. P. I. 331.

Received your packet with letters from Rome, Spain and France. Read them to the King. In reading your Grace's letter, his Highness said "This is of my lord Cardinal's own hand;" and I said yea,—which seemed very much to please him. He then asked for the letters in which mention was made of the Cardinals and others favorable to the King's cause. I told him there was mention made of some in Mr. Stevyn's letters, but when I read him the letter he seemed to have expected more special advertisement of a great many his orators had made sure of, saying they were mentioned in letters written to him, which he went into his study and fetched, with one from the French king brought by De Langeais. I read him Mr. Peter's letter and those of Spain. He was not contented with the bp. of Worcester and Mr. Almoner (Lee) for their delay in repairing to the Emperor, as the Emperor will learn the matter by the Queen's servant, for whom and for Curzon he sent a safe-conduct, and not for the ambassadors.

He bade me read the devices of the bp. of Worcester, tending to throw suspicion on the brief to my lords of Norfolk, Suffolk and Rochford. I informed him that news had come that the Emperor had ships in readiness in two places, for Rome, and for Flanders, but of his going to Flanders I had heard no confirmation. He desired his ambassadors at Rome to secure for his cause as many Cardinals as possible, as that would induce the Pope to consent.

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I answered that they had been so instructed. Would have sent the letters sooner, but was obliged to tarry all day, as Wolsey's letter was not deciphered.

* They of Erith marshes, not finding here any of the King's council, have taken the advice of the recorder of London, who says that a bond by statute or recognisance will be sufficient. They have offered Mr. Walden's surety for 500 marks, which Tuke declines to accept, unless approved by the King's council. If he were to deliver money on it, they would have 500 marks more, without giving any security for the 300*l.* and 200 marks they have of him already. Perceives that when Mr. Walden has the money he will make suit for [part] of it on the plea that the land he has is the Queen's, and therefore the King's in reversion; "and so he would drive the King to bear the reparation of the Queen's jointure." Perceives by Gibson, Wolsey will take order with them at his coming. London, this Monday at night.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

5404. NORWICH PRIORY.

Add. MS. 5,949. B. M.

"Placita coram Rege termino Paschæ, xxi. Hen. VIII."

Proceedings against the prior of Norwich for appointing coroners in Martham and Catton, and the allowance of the patent of 8 Feb. 22 Hen. VI., and its confirmation 28 May 17 Hen. VIII., by which the prior claims the above right.

Lat., pp. 5.

(A copy of the patent precedes this.)

31 March. R. O.

5405. JOHN SMYTH to CROMWELL.

Will do his best to further the business in these parts. Mr. Dean sends the books by the bearer, Cromwell's servant. Hopes to make "a determinate end" of St. Peter's this week, and be in hand with Felstow. Thos. Cowper, Smyth's servant, came from London on Easter eve. He left all Cromwell's household well, but Mr. Carter was so dangerously ill that my Lord had seized his goods. Oranges, sugar, and other spices have come in such abundance that sugar is 8*d.* the lb. or under. Mr. Brabson, Cromwell's servant, has been furnished with horses, but will not come hither yet. "The surgeon hath my horses to ride to him when he will." Will inform Cromwell further of matters here "at such time as it shall please you to return your business finished." Ipswich, 31 March.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* "To the right worshipful Mr. Cromwell." *Endd.*

5406. GRANTS in MARCH 1529.

March. — GRANTS.

1. Rob. Hogan. Grant, in reversion, of an inn or tenement and 4 shops adjoining, in the suburbs of London, in the parish of St. Botolph in the ward of Aldersgate, which were granted by patent 7 Feb. 2 Hen. VIII. to Sir Henry Wyat. Greenwich, 1 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 March.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 31.

1. Hen. Lodesman, serjeant of the chaundry. Wardship of John, s. and h. of Rob. Chamber. *Del.* Westm., 1 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 14.

1. Hen. Norreys, squire of the Body, appointed to collect the subsidies of tonnage and poundage in the port of London by patent 29 Jan. 19 Hen. VIII. Licence to appoint a clerk or deputy in the said office, notwithstanding the Acts 1 and 13 Hen. IV. *Del.* Westm., 1 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 19.

5. Sir Edw. Seymoure. To be steward of the manors of Hengstrige and Charleton, Somers., with power to appoint bailiffs and other officers, *vice* Sir Wm. Compton. *Del.* Richemont, 5 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 23.

5. Margery Parker, servant to Mary princess of Wales. Annuity of 10 marks for life, out of the issues of Denbigh, from Easter 19 Hen. VIII., *vice* John Foulseft, deceased, *Del.* Richmond, 5 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

* This passage is not printed in the State Papers.

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6. Ric. Manchester, clk. Presentation to the hospital of St. Michael, without the suburbs of Warwick, Worc. dioc. *Del.* Richmond, 6 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

10. Hugh Griffithe. Licence to alienate a moiety of the third part of the manor of Kyngesholme, and of 3 messuages, 40 acres of land, 20 acres of meadow, 80 acres of pasture and 20*s.* rent in Longford, Twigworthe and Hatherley, in the county of the town of Gloucester, to John Arnolde, on the death of Rob. Griffithe, father of the said Hugh, who now holds the said moiety for the term of his life. Westm., 10 March.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 33.

12. John Trevor, yeoman of the Guard. Lease of the lordships and manors of Sandeford and Osleston, in the lordship of Oswestry, parcel of the lordships of Bromfeld and Yale; with reservations; for 10 years, at the annual rent of 66*s.* 8*d.*, and 6*s.* 8*d.* of increase. *Del.* Richmond, 12 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 20.

12. Margery Eton, of East Greenwich. Pardon for having stolen certain goods belonging to George Lovekyn. *Del.* Richmond, 12 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

14. John Frythe, of Grenewich, Kent, butcher. Pardon for having, on 23 Oct. 20 Hen. VIII., broken into a close, and carried off certain cattle belonging to Rob. Lambe, of Lymsfeld, Surrey. Hampton Court, 14 March 20 Hen. VIII. (No date of delivery.) — P.S. *Pat.* (*undated*), *p.* 2, *m.* 24.

20. John Crowche, of Canterbury, mercer, native of Flanders. Denization. *Del.* Westm. 20 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

22. Ralph Holynshed and Margaret his wife. Licence to alienate the fourth part of the manor of Frankes, *alias* Warleffrankes, and the third part of the fourth part of the said manor, the fourth part, and the third part of the fourth, of 1 messuage, 4 cottages, 360 acres of land, 40 acres of meadow, 280 acres of pasture, 95 acres of wood, 30 acres of marsh, and 40*s.* rent in Abbes Warley (Essex), to Hen. Averell, Ralph Latham, John Frynde, and John Palterton, and their heirs, for ever. Westm., 22 March.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

22. Ralph Holynshed and Margaret his wife. Licence to alienate the fourth part of the manor of Frankes *alias* Warle-Frankes, in Abbes Warley; the third part of the fourth part of the same manor; the fourth part of one messuage, 40 acres of land, 10 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture, 5 acres of wood, and 30 acres of marsh, in Raynham; the fourth part, and third part of the fourth part, of 2 messuages, 4 cottages, 40 acres of land, 50 acres of meadow, 300 acres of pasture, 100 acres of wood, 60 acres of marsh, and 40*s.* rent in Abbes Warley and Raynham, Essex; to Hen. Averell, Ralph Latham, John Frynd, and John Palterton, to hold to them and their heirs for ever. Westm., 22 March.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 29.

22. Jasper Tirrell, one of the marshals of the Hall. Licence to import 300 tuns of Toulouse woad and Gascon wine. *Del.* Westm., 22 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

24. Geo. Loveken. To be comptroller of the King's works in England, with the usual fees for himself and a clerk under him. *Del.* Westm., 24 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 33.

25. Sir Nich. Carewe and Hen. Norreys. Grant of the advowson of the parish church of Northorsbe, Linc. dioc., on the first voidance. *Del.* 25 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p*, 2, *m.* 20.

27. Geo. Sutton, servant of queen Katharine. Wardship of Mary, sister and h. of John Bekyngham, deceased, and custody of the manor of Claycourte, and 4 tenements in Burton, Berks, late of John, brother of the said Mary, deceased; during the minority of the said Mary. Westm., 27 March.—S.B. (*undated*). *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 17.

29. John Herbert *alias* John West Falyng, shoemaker, foreigner, viz., native of Westfalyng [Westphalia], in the dominions of the Emperor Charles. Licence to retain in his service 4 journeymen or "covenant servants," born in parts beyond sea, out of the King's dominion, over the number of 2 such servants allowed by the statute 14 & 15 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 March 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 20.

30. Wm. Calybutt. To be comptroller of the great and little customs in the port of Ipswich. Westm., 30 March.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 19.

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5407. WM. POULET to WOLSEY.

"Master Treasurer of Wulsey and I proceed in your progress of Winchester," surveying the castles, manors, &c., for you to determine the dilapidations. The rate is over 200*l.*, besides the mills and weirs, little less than 200*l.* more. The deer in the park are few; where you should have

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1,000 you have not 500. Certain hunters and fishers must be punished for an example to others. We have taken care for the goshawks, and I have warned all the townships to favor the same. The expence to your predecessor was 5*l.* yearly. We have respited the arrangement for an allowance to be made by you to Wm. Love, yeoman of your wardrobe in your palace of Wulsey. We and Master Stokeley cannot induce him to take less for his services than 10 marks. Your wardrobe and stuff are well kept, except two pieces of arras, injured by the rats. Th. Polstede, your baily of Wargrave, is dead. Your tenants are all well. On this day I begin my progress again. On Monday I shall be at Taunton. 1 April.

Hol., pp. 3. *Sealed. Add.:* My lord Cardinal, &c. *Endd.*

1 April. R. O. Wood's Letters, II. 43.

5408. LADY ELIZ. TAILBOIS to THOMAS HENNEGE.

Thanks him for the pains he always takes in her husband's causes. Is sending six fat oxen as a present for my Lord* at Easter. Is surprised that her son and daughter should complain of Hennege taking her part against them, as he has always been so impartial. My son sent me word by old Blesbie that I am the cause of his going to court, and I must pay for his costs. He denies that he asked my cousin the dean of Lincoln and your father to persuade me to be content with 400 mks. and Goltaght, if he would discharge my payment to my brother Dymoke, and release his annuity of 40*l.* He says now that he wished to have half his father's lands, and then, "by intreat of friends," to pay the half duty of the obligations due to Dymoke. This motion was never made to me, and I expect my cousin the Dean and your father will advance the former motion. My daughter told Blesbie that neither she nor my son made any request to the King or the Cardinal for more of his father's lands, but that the Cardinal sent for him, and said that he should go home and see order kept, and he should have the custody of his father and his lands. This causes me great disquiet, and makes my friends here and in the North wonder. If their unfitting words do not cease, will complain to Wolsey. It is folly of my son or daughter to take any order concerning their father's lands without my Lord's commandment, for they shall never order me without it. Desires credence for the bearer. Goltaght, 1 April.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* A letter of the lady Tailboys the elder to Thos. Henege.

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5409. W. CAPON to CROMWELL.

Has received his letter, and 24*l.* of the revenues of Bromehill, by Hugh Whalley. Encloses a quittance. One of "our conducts," named Robt. Pratte, is dead. Has no news from London, but that my lord's Grace is in good health. Sends the writings he wished, the King's licences for the "properacion" of St. Mathews and other benefices to St. Peter's and Felixstowe. Gipswiche, 1 April. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To, &c., Maister Thos. Crumwell. *Endd.*

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5410. JO. PENNANDE, Priest, to CROMWELL.

Thanks him for remembering the writer when he was likely to lose his promotion and recompense for his labors at Rome, for the house of St. Bartholomew's in Smithfield. Hears that Cromwell pretended an interest in it, and told Wolsey he had obtained "the advowson of Sepulchre's" for a friend. To affirm his saying, the advowson shall always be at his commandment. Advises him to speak to Dr. Marshall that nothing be done in

* *i.e.* Wolsey.

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Jo. Pennande, Priest, to Cromwell—*cont.*

Cromwell's absence contrary to Wolsey's grant. If he obtains it, will ascribe it wholly to Cromwell's patronage. Wells, 1 April.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c., Master Cromwell, of my lord Cardinal's learned council.

1 April. **5411.** Priory of Montjoy.

R. O. Resignation by Thos. Clerk, S.T.B., of the priory of St. Lawrence Montis Gaudii *alias* Mountjoy, Norwich dioc., into the hands of cardinal Wolsey. The form of resignation was read and subscribed by the Prior on 1 April 1529, in the choir of the church of the priory, in presence of Rowland Lee, D.D., Wolsey's commissary, who thereupon suppressed the priory. Present: Thomas Crumwell, Ralph Sadeler, Thos. Benett, canon of Buckenham, Will. Bradshau.

Lat., pp. 2. *Draft of notarial instrument.*

1 April. **5412.** Erasmus to Cochlæus.

Er.Ep.p.1182. As to your doubt whether Henry VIII. wrote the book and two epistles against Luther which bear his name, many entertain the same suspicion; and not without reason, since it is looked upon as a prodigy, especially among the Germans, that any prince should possess learning. Although I would not assert that he received no assistance in their composition, as others, even the most learned, do on similar occasions, I am sure that he is both parent and author of those things which go under his name. His father was a man of the nicest judgment; his mother possessed the soundest intellect, and was remarkable for her prudence as well as for her piety. When the King was no more than a child, he was set to study. He had a vivid and active mind, above measure able to execute whatever tasks he undertook. He never attempted anything in which he did not succeed. He had such natural dexterity, that in the ordinary accomplishments of riding and throwing the dart he outstripped every one. You would say that he was a universal genius. In music he is no mean proficient. For mathematics he has shown remarkable docility. He has never neglected his studies; and whenever he has leisure from his political occupations, he reads, or disputes, —of which he is very fond,—with remarkable courtesy and unruffled temper. You would say he is more of a companion than a King. For these little trials of wit he prepares himself by reading the schoolmen, Thomas, Scotus, or Gabriel. I send you, as a specimen of his composition, a letter written entirely with his own hand, when he was very young. When I had some doubts about its being his own composition, and Mountjoy failed to remove my doubts, he afterwards produced many letters of the King, with corrections three or four times repeated, all in the same hand. Basle, 1 April 1529.

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2 April. **5413.** Francis I. to Henry VIII.

R. O. Asking his favor in behalf of the sieur De Rincon, whom he is sending to the king of Hungary. Bury, 2 April 1529. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

5414. Rincon to Wolsey.

R. O. Desires instructions in the matter of which Wolsey spoke to him yesterday, in order that he may be speedily delivered from hence, and speak to the master of the ship. The safety of his voyage depends, as Wolsey knows, upon its speed. Monday morning. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* "Monseigneur le cardinal Dyorc, legat et chancellier d'Angleterre."

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2 April. **5415.** NORFOLK to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Yesterday met Suffolk and the other commissioners for Marchlonde, at Thetford, and appointed another day of meeting. Asks him to send the certificates and verdicts taken by other commissioners, and delivered into the Star Chamber last Easter; and to write to the abbot of St. Benett's to make no grants or leases of lands or farms, nor to allow any of the goods of the monastery to be "besyled." They expect it will be suppressed, and are the less careful what they do. Kenynghale, 2 April.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's grace. *Endd.*

3 April. **5416.** CAMPEGGIO to SANGA.

Laemmer, Mon. Vat. p. 31.

During these holy days (Easter week) certain Lutheran books, in English, of an evil sort, have been circulated in the King's court. As yet I have been unable to obtain one, but I will endeavor to do so. I understand that by this book the Lutherans promise to abrogate all the heresies affecting the articles of the Faith, and to believe according to the Divine law, provided that this King, with the Most Christian King, will undertake to reduce the ecclesiastical state to the condition of the primitive Church, taking from it all its temporalties. I told the King that this was the Devil dressed in angels' clothing, in order that he might the more easily deceive, and that their object was to seize the property of the Church; nor could any one promise the abrogation of so much heresy as now largely pervades the people. I represented that by councils and theologians it had been determined that the Church justly held her temporal goods. His Majesty remarked that these [Lutherans] say that those decisions were arrived at by ecclesiastics, insinuating that now it is necessary for the laity to interpose. In reply I adduced various reasons, partly theological and partly temporal, telling him that this would be directly against his interests, for, as matters now stood, he obtained large sums of money; but if the laity had the goods of the Church this would no longer be the case, and they would probably grow rich and rebellious.* The King also remarked that these men allege that the ecclesiastics, and especially the court of Rome, live very wickedly, and that we have erred in many things from the Divine law. I replied that I would allow there were sins in Rome and in the court, because we are but men, but the Holy See had not deviated a jot from the true faith. Finally, his Majesty assured me of his good will, and that he had been and always would remain a good Christian, but that he had desired to communicate to me what had been told him by others; and if I wished to write to Rome, he was content, provided I did not state that I had heard it from his own mouth.

The cardinal (Wolsey) was present, and after our departure thanked and commended me for my good offices. London, 3 April 1529.

Ital.

Konzilien hatten Papst anerkannt warum also appellierte Hen. an Konzil

3 April. **5417.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 155. B. M.

Although the Pope has had a relapse during Holy Week, I spoke to him on Thursday before yesterday, on which day the English ambassadors also had spoken to him, and afterwards the French.

The English ambassadors have lately pressed to get the dissolution of the marriage adjudged in England by the cardinals of York and Campeggio; and as they are half disappointed of that, they threaten with Luther and his sect. I treated this as a jest, and said that in such a case we should return the book to its author, which the king of England had written on this very

* "Perche stantibus rebus essa se ne prevaleva spesse volte di grosse summe neli bisogni suoi, et permettendo che laici occuparent bona ecclesiarum cessaria questo, et forsan impinguati et dilatati recalcitrarent."

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MAI to CHARLES V.—*cont.*

subject, and strip him of the title of Defender of the Faith. This week I will make a request to the Pope about it, according to your commandment, and his Holiness will not be sorry (*y a su Santidad no le pesara*). All my study is to keep a close watch upon these ambassadors, which I think I do pretty sufficiently. It is four or five days since they had a meeting with lawyers, and I believe they have alleged nothing which has not been already answered. Takes counsel continually with the Emperor's advocate on this matter. Rome, 3 April 1529.

Sp., pp. 4. *Modern copy from the archives of Simancas.*

3 April. R. O. **5418.** The DUKE OF RICHMOND'S COUNCIL to WOLSEY.

Have often made suit to him to pardon my lord of Richmond the sum of 500*l.*, taken of the abbot of St. Mary's beside York, about three years past, for his expences. A good part of his revenues due at Michaelmas after his creation were then unpaid, yet he was rated and had allowance but of the moiety of his lands for the half year ending at that term, and at Easter following they could not obtain any. Beg that allowance be now made, as they could get no money otherwise. Sheriffhutton, 3 April. *Signed:* Brian Higdon — Godfrey Foljambe—Wiliam Taite — Thomas Tempest—Jo. Uvedale.

*Pp.*2. *Add. Endd.*

5419. [SIR ROBT. WINGFIELD] to BRIAN TUKE.

Cal. D. x. 287. B. M.

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". . . . . de he delivered me . . . . . that in the same there was . . . . . [an]y word what should be done with al . . . . . [r]eeceeyvid the said sum. Right so I de . . . . . if ye shall fortune to hear I have avys . . . . . truth.

"Also where before in this letter I have . . . . . which is about this town and Neewn[ham Bridge, I tell] you that the castle of Guisnes is far in wn . . . . . because my lord Legate and likewise oo . . . . . specially my lord Chamberlain to whom t . . . . . knoweth well in what plight the said ca[stle is, but] let that pass.

"Also, as I wrote to you in a former letter, I este . . . . . that my masters or rather lords of France . . . . . at length as ye know by my lord Legate's commandme[nt] . . . . . covenant for this day, I am avised ought of F[rance by] a spy of mine there, that our Englishme[n] . . . . . retained in all places, and that they of the . . . . . will not be beguiled by letting go of our [merchants] and their goods, and have the war in . . . . . this summer; also it is said that the la[dy Margaret] is at Gaunt this day to make peace . . . . . the lord Fynys and the Gaunteys for and [they can get] him in to their hands, he is not . . . . . Sir, now that I have committed . . . . . ere you to use th . . . ."

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Hol., mutilated. Add.: To the right hon. Master Bryan Tuke, of the King's Privy Council, and his secretary.

4 April. Cal. D. xi. 68. B. M. **5420.** SANDS and WINGFIELD to WOLSEY.

* * * "[Gu]ysnes but also Ha[mps] . . . . . [th]eir books, signed with the . . . . . specifying how they dischar[ge themselves] of the said receipts, so that we . . . . . [that there] remaineth not in the under

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treas[urer's possession] here of the 2,000*l.* sterling which was [sent]" to him for the repairs [of the] fortifications here, and of the other fortresses in the marches, as much money as is due to masons and other workmen, for the month which began on the 1st inst. The gross emptions in the Emperor's country, and those brought from England, exclusive of what has been paid to Sir William Skevington, amount to 1,000*l.* The cost of brick, with the carriage thereof, and of clay, turf, and chalk, and the iron work for the guns which have been new stocked, amounts to a great sum, so that it is but a small part of the 2,000*l.* that is yet spent upon bricklayers and labourers, considering the forwardness of the works here and at Guysnes. That Wolsey may know the progress of the works at Guysnes, send inclosed in these a bill * * * "..... e relation unto you ..... [le]tter, which was written ..... Maundy Thursday by me, Sir [Robert Wingfield]. Wherefore, now that we have [shown your Grace] in everything how the case ston[ds] ..... also your Grace hath had perfect k[nowledge by] the book, which was made by us [and sent] unto your Grace by the King's solicitor," by which it appears what repairs have been ordained to be made. What is yet done will appear small, compared with the decay at Gu[ysnes], which must be repaired, or the place will not be tenable against a great force.

Ask Wolsey to consider the certificates which they have made unto ..... and the said book, that provision may be made accordingly. This town suffers much from dearth of victual, especially beef and mutton, for the butchers of the town went before Easter to the places in Kent ordained for victualling Calais, and found both beef and mutton not only at an unreasonable price, by reason that the King's * * * "and oxen fr[om] ..... great harm, not only .... also of the soldiers and m .... wne, which be in marvellous p ..... without remedy of recovery, and ..... his most principal goodness, and yo[ur Grace] ..... your profound wisdom do not cause ..... Staplers to make quick payment for the ..... year," which will be due on the 6th inst., the peril is too great, for there has been no prest of money to any man for half a year. There is no remedy, except from the King's goodness and Wolsey's. Calais, 4 April 1529. *Signed.*

Pp. 3, mutilated. Add. Endd.

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5421. JOHN CASALE to WOLSEY.

The Signory is very anxious for the siege of Milan. St. Pôl is not backward. News of the movements of the Imperial forces. It is said that Andrea Doria will go at once to Spain, which is taken for a proof that the Emperor is coming into Italy. The Pope is recovered, and was to have gone to Ostia. He would comply with your wishes in all things. But he thinks it will be useless to go into Spain now, as the Emperor is coming into Italy. John Joachim is urgent in the affair of Ravenna and Cervia. Those who detained these two places are specially mentioned in the bull *in cœna Domini.* It is said the duke of Ferrara has vowed to visit the body of St. Antony the Minorite at Padua, as he was his "*nurus*" *in articulo mortis.* Francis writes that he shall visit Italy when the Emperor does, and will bring with him 10,000 Germans under the duke of Guise. Venice, 4 April 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2. Sealed. Add. and endd.

4 April. R. O. Burnet, v. 444.

5422. ANNE BOLEYN to GARDINER.

Thanks him for his letter, showing his willing and faithful mind. Trusts he will not repent it, and that the end of this journey will be more

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pleasant to her than his first, "for that was but a rejoysyng hope, whiche causyng [the like] of it dose put me to the more payn, and they that ar parta[kers] with me, as you do knowe; and therefore I do trust that this herd begynn[ing] shall make the better endyng." Sends cramp-rings for him, Master Gregory, and Master Peter, to whom she desires to be recommended. Greenwich, *4 April. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. in her own hand:* To Master Stephyns this be delyverd.

ii. Modern copy.

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On the 3rd of April the Emperor sent a bishop and don Diego de Mendosa to accompany us to the court. The Emperor told us he had consulted with his Council concerning what we proposed at Calatayud touching the brief, and desired Mons. Pernott, late ambassador in France, to declare his answer.

He told us in Latin that the Emperor was sorry that anything should happen to interfere with the ancient amities between England, Spain and Burgundy, and took heavily the intended divorce between the King and Queen. About this he said many things that would have been better forborne, adjuring the King by the sacrament of matrimony, and by the obedience he owes to the Apostolic See, whose authority he pretended that the King seemed little to esteem. He declared the Emperor's confidence in the Pope and the Apostolic See, to which he said the Emperor would appeal; but still he seemed to doubt the Pope, for he spoke of appealing, if necessary, to a future Council. He said also that the cause *ought not to be determined in England, but at Rome, and that the King must have patience if the Emperor defend the Queen in her right. Hope to send this more extended by their next. Mons. Pernott then, to declare the validity of the marriage and the injustice of the King's cause, produced the brief,* declaring that the Emperor, in order that the truth might be known, *would send to the King a transumpt under the authority of three bishops, but he would not send the original, for fear of miscarriage.* To this they answered, that many things might have been *forborne, especially the adjuration of the King by the sacrament of matrimony, concerning which it was notorious that the King held the Christian and Catholic opinion, and had no such sinister intentions as to need adjuration by the sacrament. His reverence and obedience to the Apostolic See has always been apparent, and he has done nothing but what he can justify to God and the world. He has as humbly submitted his cause to the Pope as any private man of the poorest sort would have done, and in this he had anticipated the Emperor, who need not labour to bring the cause to the knowledge of the Pope. It was useless to send the transumpt, for the brief itself was required as that on which both the King and Queen consider the validity of the matrimony to hang, and it was only reasonable that it should be in their custody. There were no competent judges before whom the transumpt could be made, especially as the Pope already has the thing in his hands, and has deputed two Cardinals to be judges thereof, so that nothing could be done judicially except by them.* Pernot said that *the transumpt might well enough be made before the bishops, because it was an act of voluntary jurisdiction; to which they replied that they would utterly dissent from all judicial acts before any judges, except those* deputed by the Pope. *Pernot said justice would require that it should be treated at Rome, and not in England. Answered that matrimonial cases often require the presence of the parties, which would not be possible for the King and Queen, if the case*

* The King was with her on that day.

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were heard at Rome. They then caused the brief to be read. Desired to have a notary to make an instrument of what was said, but could get no notary but theirs, whom they commanded to put all that was said in one instrument. Would not agree to this, but desired to have their sayings separate, which was done.

After this the Emperor spoke to them apart, saying that all this was done to get justice for the Queen; and he endeavored to justify himself. Answered, that as the King had done nothing *but what he could well justify, it was not fitting that any such words sounding to his dishonor should be spoken, especially before his Majesty.* He might consider, from the long intelligence which he has had with the King, that he is a prince who has always *regarded his honor and conscience, and therefore the Emperor has the less cause to doubt his uprightness and sincerity.* And forasmuch as hitherto the matter has been duly handled, the ground being matter of conscience moved to the King, and not sought by him, as also they testify who be *for the Queen, for so Mr. Abel told Lee,* and also because no fault can be found in the proceedings, said that *they marvelled that the Emperor allowed such words touching the King's honor to be spoken in his presence.* There was no need to *incite the King to go for judgment to the See Apostolic, seeing that he has already submitted thereto, but, as the case cannot be judged without the presence of the parties, the Pope has deputed judges to England. They thought that threats of war against the King were unfitting, as he intended to do nothing but justice.*

Said, if the matter is determined for the validity of *the marriage, the King will remain therein; and, on the other side, if the invalidity thereof is determined, the King being at liberty to forsake it, or to continue, they did not think that the Emperor would constrain him to act against his will. He might do something by using the means he spoke of at Calatayud, that is, fair words and entreaties, but by threats he would not further his purpose. This dealing would be more tolerable if the King had done more than was just; but as that cannot be alleged, it seemed strange that the matter should be handled on the Emperor's part dishonorably and reproachfully. The Queen had not alleged, and could not, that justice was not done. There was no reason for the pretended fear that if the brief was sent, violence might be done to the Queen, neither with the King's knowledge, nor against his mind, by his Council; for though he is always glad to hear his Council, he is not subject to them; none of them dare try anything against his pleasure. The Emperor was somewhat pricked at this, and answered that he did not intend to stand against justice, for he sought nothing else, and was not so foolish as to enterprise anything against the King for only doing what he might avow with justice; he rather desired peace, and could do no otherwise than agree to what was just,—adding, however, that he knew well the justice herein was clear.*

Asked whether, if it were just for the marriage to be dissolved, he would be content. He said he could not avoid condescending thereto. Asked further if he would bear any grudge to the King; to which he answered that he would bear no enmity for anything done by justice. Told him that some of his council had said to Mr. Sylvester that there was no hope of peace if the divorce should proceed. He said he gave them no instructions to say so. Replied that he seemed to lean that way in his answer at Calatayud. *He said he must needs agree to justice, but it would grieve him for justice to be declared against the Queen. Answered that justice must be grievous to the party against whom it passes, but still must be borne. Advised him, as of themselves, not to make any demonstration of intention to force the King, for he would not endure it. He said he neither would nor could force him. Said that threatening implied purpose of compulsion; to which he denied that he had intended to threaten. Said that this present answer, made openly, seemed to tend to compulsion, and that there were divers biting things therein,*

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and they thought the way he purposed at Calatayud better, that he would entreat the King, although the divorce might be just, to be content to supply the default. He said he intended to send a person to the King, and asked them to write also.

Suggested that the person had better go with a *medicine, and not with a sword, lest the King might be provoked by such things as were said to Parnott; and they therefore dissuaded him from sending these protestations. He said the messengers should have both prayers and protestations for conservation of the Queen's right. Said that nothing should be sent tending to compulsion, and that the Emperor had better declare that he would not resist justice; to which he answered as before. Said that if he intended to intreat the King, care should be taken to do nothing to displease him. He replied that he had no such intentions. Said that such things might be done without his knowledge, and advised him, as the last [truce] is expired, to send authority for its prorogation. He answered immediately that he would have peace or truce with the King, whichever he liked, but he would have none with the French king, and the lady Margaret had sufficient authority. Said that it would be convenient to comprise the French king, at least on the border of Flanders, for which the lady Margaret's old commission would not serve. He answered that there was no need for that, for Francis cared nothing about Flanders, and he himself wished for peace, if it were expedient. Asked him to send a commission to the ambassador in England; and he said he would instruct the lady Margaret's ambassador, who should go by land through France.*

Taking occasion from what he said of his confidence in the Pope, asked him to consider with his Council whether the brief could be sent into England, assuring him that the judges, for *lack of sight of the brief, would proceed as though there were none. Suggested that if he feared to send it to the King, he might send it to the Pope, who was the true judge of its validity. He said he was afraid of sending it to England, lest it should miscarry, and the judges proceed as though there were none, but he would think of sending it to the Pope. Showed him how necessary it was to the King that the brief should come safely; for the discharge of his conscience, the surety of his succession, and the quietness of his realm depend on it, and therefore he has no cause to fear sending it to the King. He answered, smiling, that if things were in better point than they are, he would not fear to send it. He said also that his mind was not quiet until he knew whether the brief was found in the registry at Rome. Mr. Abell was present at this, but said nothing. Thought it best to protract the request of the instrument, so that their messenger might arrive in England before the Emperor's.*

If his Majesty will not agree to send the brief to England, will try to persuade him to send it to the Pope. If he refuses, it can be proceeded with after the form of the rescripts, when they come. In talking of the truce, pretended to know nothing certain of the old truce, but by hearsay. When the notary read the brief, the bishops present were required by Pernott to interpose their authority for the transumpt, but they said nothing about the brief being not concealed, vitiate, rased, nor suspect, which words Pernott spake. The Emperor said by Pernott that he would protest at Rome. Think the Pope cannot well take the Emperor's appeal to the Council to come, and that he will rather stand for detection of fraud, if there be any in the brief. The brother of the cardinal Campeggio has been in the town as long as they have, and has been in the same church, but has not come to see them. Understand that he is going with the Emperor into Italy. *He pretended first to go to Valladolid, but now it is said he will go to Pampeluna to buy horses. The ambassador of Savoy has departed, and the person who came from lady Margaret will go in two days through France. The French ambassador is going by land. A post has just been sent to him to*

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Bilboa. Hear that Gonsalvo Ferdinand, the Emperor's chaplain, has gone to England to recover his debts. He is nephew to Mancus, otherwise called Dr. de Puebla, through whom the Queen's first marriage was negotiated, and probably some letters concerning the second passed through his hands. Lee recollects that Gonsalvo once told him he had papers of his uncle relating to such matters, and he intended to have treated with him for them, but he left Spain when they arrived. The bishop of London and the Dean knew him well, for he always has been serviceable to the English ambassadors. Antony Vivalde will know where he lodges. His brother has not come to the court, and they dare not write to him. The Mantuan ambassador is now leaving.

Hear now that the Emperor will not allow Parnott's proposition to go forth. Ask the King and Wolsey not to show that they have heard of it, for it would destroy the ambassadors' credit with the Emperor. Will send these letters in three ways,—by Lyons, by Bayonne, and by sea. Will go to the Emperor for a resolute answer concerning the brief and the truce, and will especially labor for the comprehension of the French king, of which they rather hope than despair. Will send Curzon immediately after obtaining an answer. Master Abell says he has yet no answer, saving in the demand of his commission where he demandeth the brief. Saragossa, 5 April 1529. *Signed.*

Pp. 11. *In Lee's hand. Cipher, with interlined decipher by Tuke. Add.*

5 April. R. O. **5424.** GHINUCCI and LEE to [WOLSEY].

"An extract of my lord of Worcester and Mr. Almoner's letters, in ciphers, of the 5th of April." (*Taken from the above.*) At Cæsar August, as above.

ii. "The extract of a clause of Mr. Lee's letters of the same date, to the King's highness." (*As below.*)

Pp. 20. *In Tuke's hand. Endd.*

5 April. Vesp. C. IV. 305. B. M. **5425.** LEE to [HENRY VIII.]

Wrote on 21 March, from Calatayud, of the Emperor's answer. Gives an account of their audience with the Emperor, similar to that in their letter to Wolsey of 5 April. *Noticed, when the brief was read, that it was impetrate at the instance of the King and Queen, but Abell tells him that the Queen never heard of it until the copy came from the Emperor. Marvels that neither the King nor Queen should have more remembrance of it; and, even if it were impetrate only at the request of king Ferdinand, it is wonderful that the Queen did not know of it, as it touched her so nearly. The brief affirms also quod Regina fuit cognita a principe Arthuro; but Abell says the Queen denies this on oath. May mistake the words, as he only heard it read, but the bishop of Worcester also noticed both points.* Abel came to them the day of their arrival, and excused himself for not having come to Valladolid, as the Emperor sent for him.

The rumor of the Emperor's journey to Italy still continues, but there seems no preparation for it. Andalusia has refused to let him have wheat, and there is none here. At Barcelona there are two galleys belonging to the lord of Monaco, but no others ready. Hears that the Emperor wishes now that Pernott's proposition had been better tempered, and does not wish it to go forth. Saragossa, 5 April 1529.

Hol., pp. 4. *Cipher, deciphered by Tuke.*

5 April. R. O. Rym. XIV. 290. **5426.** THE DIVORCE.

Sentence of the University of Orleans on the legality of a brother marrying the widow of his brother. Orleans, 5 April 1529.

Lat., vellum. Sealed.

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6 April. **5427.** HENRY VIII. to [GARDINER and his COLLEAGUES].

Vit. B. XI. 92. B. M. Burnet, IV. 115.

Since their departure has received sundry letters, the last dated Rome, 4th ult., and has seen their letters to Wolsey. Wonders at their despair of any favor to be had from the Pope, as they had not spoken with him, and the King can perceive nothing but towardness from their conferences with Salviati. The superiority of the Emperor and the common fame has perhaps led them to think the contrary. No credence is to be given to such reports. Has found Campegius to be of a far other sort than was reported, not having such affection to the Emperor as was suspected. Has spoken to him, so that if he had been of another mind he would soon have changed his intention. Charges them to use all diligence in declaring the King's cause to the Pope, in which he trusts they will find great help from the good advice and address of the bishop of Verona. If they cannot be admitted to the Pope's presence, they may signify to the Bishop the King's whole mind. He will be able to counteract the malice of the archbishop of Capua, who is thought to be one of the chief authors of the falsities, crafts, and abuses set forward to hinder the King's cause. He is, therefore, especially to be entertained; but they must gain as many other friends as possible.

Wonders that Gardiner has not advertised him of what has been done touching the bulls for the King's other matters. Wishes to know by their next letters. They must find out from the bishop of Verona how they can further his promotion to the cardinalate, exhorting him to accept it if it can be obtained, and telling him that the King has written about it. Wishes to know what advocates they have on their side. Desires them to retain some notable and excellent divine, a friar or other, who will firmly stick to that "*quod pontifex ex jure divino non potest dispensare, &c.*" Greenwich, 6 April. *Signed at the commencement.*

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6 April. **5428.** WOLSEY to GARDINER, BRIAN, GREGORY CASALE, and PETER VANNES.

Vit. B. XI. 94. B. M.

In his last letters, dated — inst., informed them of the arrival of their letters of the xx . . . Feb., and of the non-arrival of those of the 15th. Since then, they have been brought by Antony Bonvice, and on the day following their letters of the 4th inst., sent by the Master of the Rolls. The King and he thank them for their diligence. Thinks that, finding matters in such a state, touching the Pope's sickness and the superiority of the Imperialists in Naples, they have preferred to send information thereof for their discharge, rather than show more towardness than could be afterwards justified; yet the King trusts that they pass over no opportunity for bringing matters to the desired end, nor allow them to be slacked for any event. They have reasonable and necessary ground to communicate the principal points in their charge with his Holiness *etiam in ipso articulo mortis;* for if the Pope amends, no respect or cause can truly or reasonably be alleged to prevent his accomplishing the King's desire, and if he is in danger of his life, so much the worse would it be for his conscience to pass over one hour or minute in expedition of the same. Since part of their charge consists in proposing to the Pope the devices contrived here for obtaining a peace, to which nothing would so much conduce as a general truce proclaimed by the Pope, under pain of the censures of the Church (which has been done by previous Popes in cases of much less necessity), if the Pope has strength to undertake the mediation of peace, and what they have to propose about the diet, it is evident that, if his Holiness recovers, no superiority or prosperity of the Imperialists, or respect to the Emperor or any other, ought to cause him to make any difficulty therein. Wonders that Jacobo Salviati should have made any exception or doubt as to the obeying of such an

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indiction, considering that the Emperor holds Naples, Milan and Genoa, and might lose them if the war were continued. He seems also to stand more on defence than otherwise, and has the French king's children as hostages. Nothing could move him to make any difficulty, but rather to thank the Pope for making a truce at a time so much to his advantage. As the kings of England and France are so ready to accept the truce, the Pope would have a good opportunity to set a foundation for the quiet and repose of Christendom. On the other hand, if the Pope is in any danger of life, what could he imagine more meritorious toward God, or more honorable toward the world, than to bequeath peace and quiet to the flock committed to him? while, by omitting it, he would highly offend both God and the world. He cannot, therefore, avoid doing it, if he intends peace, or any goodness to ensue in Christendom. All, therefore, about his Holiness, who love either his body or his soul, ought earnestly and speedily to advance it.

Burnet's Hist. of the Reformation, iv. 79.

Another part of their charge consists in the expedition of the King's cause of matrimony, which must not be delayed, whether the Pope has hopes of recovery or not. He could not refuse this justice to any man, and if the King desired anything unjust there would be no need for him to recur to the Pope. Both he and his Council, who best know the matter, and to whom it belongs most profoundly to weigh and ponder it, are well assured of its truth, and need only to have the same truth approved and declared; and seeing an untruth alleged, which may bring things into confusion, he communicates to the Pope evidence to convince him of the truth. Not to see this evidence will be an express refusal of justice. The Emperor can make no exceptions to this, as he perhaps best knows the untruth, and the grounds which have constrained the Pope thereto. If his Holiness refuse to declare the law, he must either leave the cause in suspense, to the extreme danger of the King's realm and succession, or else declare both bull and brief to be good; which no Christian man could do. If he do leave the matter in confusion, no prince could tolerate so great an injury. If they have not already spoken to the Pope in this behalf, as the King hopes they have done, they must gain access to him by Jacobo Salviati, the bishop of Verona, and others, and open this matter to him, which will be rather to his comfort and increase of health, than any trouble or unquietness. Hearing these reasons, whether he has hope of amendment or otherwise, he will probably proceed to the indiction, and pass a sufficient and ample decretal. They must now use all diligence about this, however the Pope's sickness continue; and if they cannot have frequent access, must get the bishop of Verona and other friends to speak on the King's behalf, and must break the matter to those cardinals who would favor the kings of England and France at a future election, telling them what they think fit concerning the indiction of truce, the King's cause, and the evidence for the insufficiency of the bull, and falsity of the brief. Desires them also to make sure of the officers of the rota, and others, who, though they will not give counsel to any person but the Pope, may do much good by advising him to hearken to their overtures. They must insist on the staying there of the bishop of Verona, to countervail the archbishop of Capua, who is continually about the Pope. The King and Wolsey, and the French king also, write to the bishop of Verona, and the latter sends the bishop of Bayonne to assist them. Sends them a copy of things to be noted concerning the falsity of the brief, sent by the bishop of Worcester.* They must always remember that the King's cause suffers no negative nor delay, and that the truce is necessary to the King and to the rest of Christendom. These two points they must press *importune et opportune*, and, in difficulties, try and find a remedy, and not wait for fresh instructions, which will produce too long delay.

* See No. 5376.

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The King proposes that if the Pope's sickness continues, and he is unable to travel to the place devised for making the peace, he should depute Wolsey and Campeggio as his legates for that purpose. Wolsey, however, will not set forward before the King is satisfied in his matter of matrimony.

Desires them, if the decretals cannot be obtained, to propose to the Pope to amplify the commission granted to Wolsey and Campeggio, so as to authorize them to do as much as the Pope may do of his ordinary and absolute power, with clauses *ad decernendum, declarandum et disceptandum jura, leges et rescripta quæcunque hoc matrimonium concernentia, una cum omnibus et singulis dubiis in eadem causa emergentibus,* and further to compel all princes and persons, of whatever dignity, to produce, under certain penalties, any record or witness which the Legates might require, so that they will have no cause to send to the Pope again. Gardiner must take especial care about the penning of it, taking the advice of the most expert men. Sends a copy of the former commission, with additions noted in the margin, and a copy of certain clauses in a bull, that he may see how they are couched, to avoid appellation and delay. If the chirograph of pollicitation will not oblige the Pope to confirm all they do by virtue of the commission, they must take care that he is so bound, either by the insertion of words in the commission, or by obtaining a new chirograph. The King desires Brian to bring the commissions and chirograph hither, as soon as they are obtained. The indiction of the truce must still be solicited; for, without it, it would be in vain for Wolsey, either with or without the Pope, to labor for peace. By this way the Pope can proceed to the truce, as a foundation for universal peace, satisfy the King's desires, and avoid any doubt of the Emperor; for he can say that he was too ill to examine the cause himself, and could do no less than commit it to others, as it admitted of no delay. This new device was thought of, for doubt of the Pope's long continuance in sickness, but it is not meant to confine them to this, for they must consider what is best for the King's purpose. Whatever they get must be such that there will be no need to write or send again for reformation thereof. Leaves them at liberty to do what they think best. If the Pope refuses all their desires, it will be a sign that he is expressly adverse to the King, and in that case they must proceed to the protestations mentioned in the first instructions given to Gardiner, and must show plainly to the Pope and the Cardinals the great peril which may ensue therefrom, ten times more than any peril which could arise from the Emperor's discontent at a contrary course. If the King is refused the grace and lawful favor of the Church, the Pope will lose both England and France, and their confederates. Those also who have particular quarrels with the Pope will not fail to do the like.

If the commission is granted, when they have obtained possession of it, they must insist that the King may enjoy the benefit of the decretal which Campeggio has.

It is thought here that if the Pope dies, the Cardinals have power to decide the King's matter *sede vacante,* and Wolsey desires Gardiner to consider with his colleagues and counsel the Chapters: *Ubi periculum de electione; Ne Romani; De jurejurando;* and Cap. I., *De schismaticis.* If it is decided that the Cardinals have this power, the ambassadors must take care that no inhibition is made by pursuit of the Emperor or his adherents. If nothing has been obtained at the Pope's death, they must pursue the effectual expedition from the College.

The French king has commissioned the bishop of Bayonne and John Joachim to conclude the confederation between the Pope, the kings of England and France, the Venetians, and other Italian powers, for the maintenance of an army for the invasion of Spain. They must concur in these matters with the French ambassadors, who are ordered to join with them

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in the King's causes. Desires them to write oftener, as frequently there is no news from them for a whole month. They might find means to send letters by such as pass to Lyons. From my place beside Westminster, 6 April.

Encloses a copy of the instructions of Mons. de Langes, brother to the bishop of Bayonne, sent hither concerning the treaty of confederation. *Signed.*

Pp. 24. *The address pasted on.*

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Vit. B. XI. 104. B.M.

Campegius and he both think that the presence of the bishop of Verona will be of great assistance to them in obtaining their cause, and in proving the falsity of the brief. His experience, good audacity and estimation with the Pope will enable him to countervail the sinister labours of the archbishop of Capua and the General of the Observants. The bishop of Verona and the Archbishop are of contrary factions, and he would perhaps be glad to give him a fall. They must deliver to him the King's and Wolsey's letters, and tell him the great opinion the King and Wolsey have always had of his wisdom and his zeal for the weal of the Pope, the See Apostolic, and all Christendom; and that they, as well as the French king and his mother, could much more confidently proceed with the Pope, while he was with his Holiness, than they have been able to do since his departure from the Court, especially as he has left such a gap for the archbishop of Capua, who is an enemy to peace, and adverse to these two Princes. Since that time, for lack of such confidence, many things have passed to the damage of the Pope and the Holy See. They must, therefore, urge him to remain about the Pope, for he will be able to do the greatest good of any man of his degree, and the King and Wolsey will put their whole confidence in him. If the diet takes effect, either in the Pope's person, or by Wolsey and Campegius, in his absence, there is no man who could do more good, or whom Wolsey would be gladder of. They must also persuade him to adhere to the King's cause, which is the thing that his Grace takes more to heart than any other matter, and in which he would be as loth to be vanquished by two such friars as the General and the archbishop of Capua as to lose both his arms. Would rather expose his life than see the inconvenients that would ensue from the disappointing of the King's desire. They must promise him ample promotion and other things.

Thanks them for the pains they have taken about the bulls of Winchester, which he received with their letters of the 15th ult. Marvels that they are [only] as *in perpetuam administrationem*, and not *in perpetuum titulum*, as he h[as those of] Durham. Wishes to know the cause.

Advises them to obtain duplicates of everything, lest the originals be lost in these dangerous times. Westm., 6 April. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

6 April. **5430.** The DUKE OF RICHMOND'S COUNCIL to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Referring to a suit in the Star Chamber by Hans Gauthe and other merchants of Norwich against the abbot of Whitby and others, concerning a ship of Dantzick, called the Jesus, in which Wolsey made a decree on the 19 Oct. this 20th year of our Sovereign Lord's reign, giving order that, if it was not observed, the parties should appeal to the duke of Richmond's Council. As, notwithstanding this, the plaintiffs have obtained new process against the abbot for his appearance in the Star Chamber this Easter, request that he be allowed to appear this time by his attorney, with only two of the defendants. Sheriffhutton, 6 April. *Signed:* Brian Higdon—Wiliam Taite—Thomas Tempest—Jo. Uvedale.

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

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6 April. **5431.** FRANKELEYN to CROMWELL.

R. O. His brother is contented to resign the bailiwick of Darnetone to Wm. Wytheham, the bearer, who is fit for the office. My lord Rowthall gave the office to Ric. Waldegrave, who surrendered it to Frankeleyn's brother. Asks Cromwell to assist Wytheham in obtaining a patent for it from Wolsey. Durham, 6 April. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Crumwell, councillor to my lord Cardinal's most honorable Grace. *Endd.*

5432. The TEMPORALTIES of the SEE of WINCHESTER.

Rym. XIV. 290. i. *Hants and Wilts.*—Writ for the restitution of the temporalties of the see of Winchester on the appointment, by the Pope, of Thomas cardinal of York as perpetual administrator of that see, which is void by the death of Richard, the last bishop. Westm., 6 April.

ii. Similar writs for Somers. and Dorset, Surrey, Bucks, Oxon and Berks.

iii. Mandate to the tenants of the bishopric.

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6 April. **5433.** SANDYS to WOLSEY.

R. O. He and the Deputy have been busy about the fortifications. The money Rob. Fowler left is all spent, and there is none for the payment of next month. Asks Wolsey to see to it, as the workmen, who are French, Flemings and other nations, will make exclamation, and the work be stopped, to the King's dishonor and danger.

His own expences have been so high that the 80*l.* with which the King rewarded him, and all his own money, is almost spent. Knows not to whom to look for help, except to Wolsey. Asks that he may have prompt payment of what is due today for the castle of Guisnes. The soldiers will exclaim for their wages when they are due, as victuals are very dear. The victuallers will not come, knowing the lack of money. Is obliged to keep forty persons and horses more than the King's ordinary, and does not think fit to diminish them till the world seems more firm. Reminds him also of the retinue of Calais, who were never in such poverty as now.

As to Wolsey's promise that on giving up the ferme of Mark and Oye, he should still have the casualties thereof and of the county of Guisnes, by a special bill, has taken none from the former; but as to Guisnes, the under-treasurer of Calais says he proposes to call for the casualties into his own hands. They do not amount to more than 20*l.* Calais money. Does not so much care for the value, but does not wish it to be thought that the King esteems him so little. Asks Wolsey to tell the under-treasurer to pay him his annuity of 56*l.* from the money he brings over. There is no substantial news. Calais, 6 April. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add.:* To my lo[rd Le]gate is good Grace. *Endd.:* Letters from my lord Sandys, 6 April.

5434. [SIR ROBERT WINGFIELD] to WOLSEY.

Cal. D. x. 402. * * * * *

B. M. "..... about to close my b[udget] ..... [brou]ght me the letter herein en[closed from the Spanish ambassador from Gr]aveling, who would not suffy[r] ..... [say]inge that he is so commanded, and w ..... [w]rytythe to retain the Lombard wh ..... [s]ame mentioned in my letter

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to your [Grace] . . . . . heard say that I had retained the men of . . . . [it is] but a feigned matter, for he reeteey[ns] . . . . . [o]n Saturday, nevertheless he said unto . . . . . [that] he had warned the said messenger at his las[t coming that] he should come no more that way and in comm . . . . . trumpet said to marvel that the King [would suffer they] should be retained or troubled, considering th[at the Emperor's] subjects both in England and here have as f[ull liberty to pass] and repass as ever they had; and the captain [then said] ironiusly: What, count ye not Spaniards them[peror's subjects]? Also ween you that it is not known how th[e Emperor's subjects] hath been dealt with, though the King knows . . . . . shall know shortly that the Emperor hath . . . . . in no point so to the King's emba[ssador] . . . . . also spake many other things of . . . . . .

"[T]herefore now that I have ad . . . . . God . . . a" * * *

Hol., mutilated. Add.: "To my lord Legate's most reverend grace."

5435. [SIR ROBERT WINGFIELD to WOLSEY.]

Cal. D. x. 277. B. M.

"[Pleasit]h your most reverend [Grace to understand that on the] . . . . . [I wr]ott my last letters to the sam[e, and I sent the same], to accompany a letter of the Spa[nish ambassador] beinge at Gravelinge, which letter . . . . . and I have written another to him, [for notwithstanding] all his saying mentioned in his said [letter] . . . . . in the same appeareth how every (*sic*) useth to s . . . . . as they understand or would have theey[re] . . . . [Yet] nevertheless it seemeth by his said letter [that they] have not changed their old custom, [for they keep] but few things secret, if they may [serve to their] own purpose, though by the mean they do [injury to such] as be their friends; howbeit they use soo[che crooked] policy because that by the mean they c[ause] suspicion, displeasure, and hatred to grow betwix[t friends] and such as they use for friends, whilst they ha . . . . . Also where by a former letter I advised [your Grace that] there was at Gravelinge 100 horsemen . . . . . truth it was that thither they came a . . . . . were conveyed to lie in divers places . . . . . betwixt Gravelinge and Saint Omers . . . . . remaineth not at Gravelinge * *

"Calais . . . . . ."

Hol., mutilated.

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Galba, B. IX. 168*. B. M.

5436. JOHN HACKETT.

Attestation by Peter Van Lare, notary of Antwerp, that Hacket exhibited to William Clee, merchant of England, a letter under the King's great seal, commanding him to appear before the King; which he promised to obey. At the house of the English nation at Antwerp, Wednesday, 7 April 1529. Witnesses: Robt. Flegge, lieutenant of the governor of the English nation, Laurence Worten, Edmund Spenser, and Richard Wingfield.

Copy, Fr., pp. 2.

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5437. HUGH SHAW and JOHN COPLEY to CROMWELL.

Ask his advice for the bearers, and to assist them in the law, for which the writers will repay him. Boston, 7 April 1529. *Signed:* By your own, to their little power, Hugh Shaw, alderman of the guild of Our Lady in Boston, and John Copley, *alias* Litster.

P. 1. *Add.:* To master Cromwell be this letter delivered. London. *Endd.*

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8 April. **5438.** CHARLES V.

Galba, B. IX. 202. B. M.

Commission to Margaret of Savoy to treat with Louisa duchess of Angoulême, and others, for a peace with France. Saragossa, 8 April 1529, apres Pâques. "De nos regnes, des Romains 10me, et des Espaignes et autres 13me."

Copy attested by des Barres. Fr., pp. 3.

Vesp. C. IV. 329. B. M.

2. Copy of the above.

8 April. **5439.** GUISNES CASTLE.

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"The verdict of Thomas Bitebere, Thomas Goynes, Hugh the maister, Joyse Brannyngham, William Huttofte, Henry Thorneton, John Harmenet, Loy Valontyne, and Peter Wading, of the Skunage of Calais, and Henry Frowyke, Robert Smythe, Adam Steward, Henry King, Richard Colffe, Henry Porter, John Wynter, John Smythe of Bessinges, and Michael Byne of the county of Guisnes, made and given out of and upon certain articles of inquisition for the King our sovereign lord, devised and proposed by the right honorable Sir William Sandys, knight of the Order, lord Sands, chamberlain unto the King's highness and lieutenant of the castle of Guisnes, Sir Robert Wingfield, knt., the King's deputy general of the town and marches of Calais, and other of the King's most honorable council of the same, at Henry Frowike's place besides the causeway, 8 April 20 Hen. VIII."

Sir Gilbert Talbot holds of the King a house place with 117 acres in Dickland within the scunage of Calais, which is daily overflowed by the sea in consequence of the breaking up of the sluice at Dickland. He has never since been able to let it, whereby the King loses a rent of 5*l.* 10*s.* gr. It is now worth but 4*d.* gr. an acre a year.

Similar statements about land held by the heirs of Peter Dickland, and the heirs of Richard Marsh, in Dickland, by the widows of Thos. Basse, Thos. Mustian, and Thos. Baker, on the west side of the Mill Street, by Rauf Noble at Martyn's Hoke, the heirs of Sir Ric. Wingfield, in Dykeland, in the county of Guisnes, and by Toynen de Campe, in the same place.

Do not think the land overflowed can be reclaimed without danger to the haven, unless the King will make a sluice at Dickeland, make the banks of two old rivers, the great and small Molier, for a mile, and mend the banks of the new river from the sluice to the head that is new made, going to Sandgate. These rivers, if banked, would not only keep the country dry, but do much good in amending the haven, if certain heads were made in the haven of grey hard stone, that the water might keep one course right out.

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.. April. **5440.** THE DIVORCE.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 197. B. M.

"Relation de lo que se ha hecho y tractado con Su Santitad embiola Micer Mai."

* * * When Musetula came, he informed him that, as regards the affair of England, *the Pope was willing to revoke the cause* at the first Signatura, "y mas me dixo el Musectula que los Angleses dezian que al Emperador no se le dava nada desto." I therefore asked the Pope in my memorial to impose silence on the king of England, or revoke the cause; and as he doubted of the consent of the Queen, who had sent no proctor or power, letters afterwards came from the same Queen for the Pope, in which she declared her will and her constraint (*estrechura*), and the bishop of Burgos wrote that they had compelled her to write into Spain for the brief. This I told the Pope and the Cardinal Santa Cruz, and *gave him the Queen's letter.* Afterwards, seeing that they were rather cold,

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Jacobo Salviati said to me two or three times that it would be better the Queen should enter a monastery "por el peligro de su salud; y que no debia estrechar por el mesmo respecto, a saber, es temor de yerbas." I caused the cardinal Santa Cruz to remind the Pope of it, and Andrea del Burgo *to see a letter* from the king of Hungary, showing what hopes the Lutherans built on the issue of this business. *He accordingly arranged with the Pope to give in a protest on the subject*, and that it should be delivered to the Pope and Cardinals.

Perceiving that the English ambassadors made daily solicitations to the Pope, I asked him on 7 April what it was about; and he told me they had pressed him to declare the brief a forgery, as it was incredible that the brief and bull should be dated on the same day, and it was evident it had been made in Spain to supply what was wanting in the bull, for a brief was easily written, and a goldsmith had made a seal for it, and it has not so many signatures. Moreover it does not appear on the register, although there are entries of that day, and before and after, and other arguments. I declared to the Pope that it was shameful they should use such chicanery, and demand that their mad fancies should be authenticated by his Holiness. I said also he must pardon me for remarking that he treated us very disrespectfully, and the French and English *mucho a la evangelica*. On his asking why, I said it was a common proverb that a good man is always less regarded (*siempre va en diminution*), which is our case with his Holiness, who, finding us bland and obedient, has always taken advantage of us, while he has treated his enemies like the Prodigal Son. I said, as to their inferences, it is no new thing to make a bull, and in order to avoid all cavilling and subterfuge to dispatch a brief or private letter the same day; that I myself had signed a thousand such, and that it was the practice of all courts. The Pope confessed it was so here. As to its not being found in the register, I said his Holiness knew well it was not the custom to enter briefs in the register, or at least all of them. Nevertheless he admitted that they might have been stolen from the register. As to the documents not being in England as well as in Spain, it might be that they did not want to find them. Moreover, I have since found a brief here reciting these documents of Julius; which is a complete reply to the complaint of the king of England, because they say that queen Isabella being ill desired to see this dispensation before she died, for which reason it was sent into Spain, and a promise was given to keep it secret, which may have been the reason why it was not registered, or that the register was hidden. As to the allegation that the Emperor did not care about the matter, I said his Holiness might judge by what had been told him by his Nuncio, by the cardinal Santa Cruz, by Musetula and by myself, that there was nothing in the world he felt more concern about. He told me, moreover, that they had expressly spoken about poison, saying that if the King were not such a good man, servants would not be wanting. I said that the Queen was ready to incur this danger rather than be a bad wife, and prejudice her daughter, and that if such a course were resorted to the Emperor would avenge it; moreover I was ashamed that they should hold such language before his Holiness.

Finally he said that I should make the *protestation, and that he would revoke the cause.*

P.S.—Letters have since come to me from Don Ynigo, in which he says that everything is going wrong there, unless the revocation of the cause could be obtained; and another letter from the Queen to the Pope, which I have given him; he has read them all, and in truth it was like breaking stones (*que era para quebrantar piedras*), and he gave me good words.

On the other hand, I knew that he called Simonetta one day to discuss with them the falsity of the brief, and that they said to him, "You promised us that you would do all you could, and you can declare this brief to be

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false, even without calling the opposite party, by counsel of many lawyers, and if you do not do this you will not fulfil your promise."

This the Pope declared to me, saying that Campeggio had made the king of England a general offer that the Pope would do whatever he could for him; but I find by the report of spies, that the English ambassadors complain of the Pope, that he will not concede this, and say that the king of England would not have cared about it if the Pope had not made this promise. What has further passed, and the protest, is contained in another letter more at large.

Spanish, pp. 32, *modern copy, from the archives of Simancas.*

9 April. **5441.** THE DIVORCE.

Masters' MS. f. 121.

"The king of England, by his ambassadors W. Knight, secretary, and J. Taylor, Master of the Rolls, advertises the French king how unkindly the Emperor deals with him, suborning a false breve for the supplement of an unsufficient bull. The suspicions are manifest. The bull sealed with lead, the breve or dispensation with wax. The bull is found in the King's records, and registered at Rome; the breve nowhere. The bull and breve dated of one day. Their suspicions, the French king acknowledges, very great, and that he will do what he can. That if the Pope could be brought to Avignon, there were no doubt but the King should have justice." 9 April 1529.

"I find that our King would fain have stopped the treaty at Cambray, that it should not have been before his great affair had been decided; also that the Emperor should not have gone into Italy."

P. 1. *Apparently an abstract from a letter of Knight and Tayler to Henry VIII.*

Vit.B.XII. 150. B. M.

2. Clement VII. to Wolsey and Campeggio.

As the copy of the brief of Julius II. is suspected to be false, desires them to order the exhibition of the original within a certain time, and to examine its authenticity.

Lat., draft, pp. 10.

Vit.B.XII. 146. B. M.

3. Draft of the preamble of a commission from Clement VII. to [Wolsey and Campeggio] empowering them to declare null and spurious the dispensation granted by Julius.

Draft in Casale's hand, Lat., pp. 7, *mutilated.*

5442. CLEMENT VII. to ———.

Vit.B.XII. 144. B. M.

Desires him to search for and send to the Legates in England an apostolic brief relating to the divorce, which is not found in the archives of the king of England, but is said to be in the portfolio of the Emperor.

Draft, pp. 3, *Lat. Endd.*

5443. CLEMENT VII. to ———.

Vit.B.XII. 155. B. M.

Desires him to warn any person possessing the original brief to send it to the Legates in England in two months.

Draft of a portion of a letter; Lat., p. 1, *mutilated.*

5444. [SIR ROBT. WINGFIELD] to WOLSEY.

Cal. D. x. 248. B. M.

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[fore I advertise your] Grace of the premises for my dys[charge, remitting the same to] your most profound wisdom . . . . . be circumspectly considered, and me . . . . . ." Calais, 9 A . . . . .

Hol., mutilated. Add.: [To my] lord Legates [most] reverend Grace.

9 April. R. O. **5445.** THOS. DONYNGTON to WOLSEY.

The dean of York and the abbots of Fountain and Byland celebrated the election at Ryvall's on Tuesday, 6 April, and it is now submitted to him. If he please to prefer Marmaduke Bradley, Wolsey can dispose of his prebend at Ripon, one of the best there, "and necessary for my master,"* and Wolsey and "my master" will have 100*l.* for dilapidations of the same. Pontefract Priory, 9 April. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate a latere and Cardinal. *Endd.*

9 April. R. O. **5446.** THOS. WYNTER to CROMWELL.

Thanks him for his late kindness to Master Florence,† and his diligence in matters concerning Wynter, of which Florence has told him. Asks him to write the news occasionally. Paris, 9 April.

The bearer, Mr. Bekynsall, is of substantial learning and honest. He has a matter to speak to Cromwell about, for which Wynter asks his favor. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Cromwell. *Endd.:* T. Wynter.

10 April. Porcacchi, p. 29 b. **5447.** SANGA to CAMPEGGIO.

I am certain that you are in great suspense of mind, and very anxious to learn that his Holiness has taken some resolution in the matters of which you have written, and which the English ambassadors here are negotiating. But I think you will be less surprised that nothing has been determined, the more you understand this matter, and are able to comprehend the obstacles which prevent the Pope, though personally well inclined, from doing his utmost to gratify the King, to whom he privately, and the Apostolic See publicly, owe so many obligations. While his Holiness was ill, and during his recovery, when every slight fatigue of business might cause a relapse, he thought the King would regard his delay as excusable. Consequently he has not hitherto been so anxious as he has now become, because, on the one hand, he had, out of his desire to satisfy the King, commissioned the cardinals de Monte and S. Quatuor and Simonetta to hear and report upon the petitions of the English ambassadors; and, on the other hand, greater difficulties arise every day, as the Imperial ambassadors have devised protestations, and make much opposition on various grounds whenever the Pope proposes to take some resolution; so that his Holiness finds himself in very great trouble, especially as, owing to your inability to sustain the torrent of the King's demands, the whole is referred hither. The Pope is greatly annoyed, and cannot imagine how it has come to pass, that any hope should be entertained there of the revocation by him of the bulls of pope Julius, which stand in the way of the King's desire. His Holiness is told that the ambassadors have been sent here with this hope. He would have wished this hope to be destroyed there, as you could have acquainted them with the causes which restrain him. He is highly displeased that the King and the cardinal of York should entertain hopes of things which he cannot grant; for the more often they do so, the more grievous it seems to them not to obtain what they wish; and it is important to render them less dissatisfied with the Pope's inability to act by not promising them so much

* Wynter? † Volusenus.

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at first. You can perform these offices, and thus relieve the Pope of part of his cares, without taking any responsibility upon yourself. The laws and ordinances of the Church, in which you are well skilled, permit of no other course. Your Lordship is prudent, and on the spot; strive, therefore, as much as you can, to subvert any troublesome suits (*fastidii*) which you find they determine to send to his Holiness.

With respect to the protestations of the Imperial ambassadors, who take the Queen's part, I hear they have put their arguments (*cose*) in order, but are not yet ready to publish [them]. When they do so, you shall have copies of them. The Pope's inclination to satisfy the King, if possible, is so great that he would not waver in the least, not even for the sake of gaining ten cities; but the King and the Cardinal must not expect him to execute his intentions until they have used their utmost efforts to compel "N." (the Venetians) to restore the Pope's territories, so that his Holiness has no other object than to satisfy the King, if it be possible. In case they are not satisfied with the Pope's goodwill, having expected some perfect remedy, I answer that if we had possessed such a remedy, and been aware of the fact, they should have received it a long while ago; but hitherto his Holiness, notwithstanding their numerous propositions on this subject, has found none which does not involve the utmost peril, and therefore is greatly surprised at the distrust with which they regard him. Their groundless suspicions are based solely on the Pope's having witnessed the release of the Cardinals and the restitution of the fortresses, as if the Pope did wrong to receive them. He did so in order to prevent any suspicion of his being in agreement with the Emperor. But, come what will, the Pope is confident of his own integrity. If the King is not content with him he is certainly in the wrong, as he will daily be more and more convinced. Rome, 10 April 1529.

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10 April. **5448.** KNIGHT and TAYLER, Master of the Rolls, to WOLSEY.

Cal. D. XI. 51. B. M.

* * * "[St.] Paule ac . . . . . ius and duke of Milan . . . . . [Mi]lane with the number of 23,000 m[en] . . . . . and that city expugned, wherein the . . . . . whole army shall convert towards . . . . . [as] the King saith. Segnior Rayns is prosp[erous] . . . . . We have differred sending of this letter sith So[nday, when] we had audience of the King, because hitherto th[e lady] Regent, being somewhat vexed with the gout, could not [be] spoken with all, but we shall daily sue and desire [in] the King's name and yours that she will put to her aid [and] help to continue the King her son in the loving my[nd] that he pretendeth to bear unto the King our master, to all [his] causes, and to your Grace and your causes likewise." Blois, 10 April. *Signed.*

Mutilated. Add. Endd.

5449. [KNIGHT] to ———.

Cal. D. XI. 34. B. M.

* * * "[nigh]tes upon the sea . . . . . [a]rripvall at the French court . . . . . St. Germayne, where we delivered the . . . . . [letters] unto the French king, the lady Regent a[nd the Grand] Master, with as hearty recommendations as we c[ould]."

After answering the King's questions about their master's and Wolsey's welfare, told him that their great study was that discords between princes, and especially between him and the Emperor, might cease, and be brought to a reasonable end consistent with his honor, profit, and pleasure; and that lately it occurred to them, as if by special grace of the Holy Ghost, that if

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the Pope, who is now in fear of the Cæsar[ians], were encouraged in any way, as, for instance, by the provision by these two Princes for the assurance of his person of a presidie of 1,000, 1,500, or 2,000 elect men for the war . . . * * * "as yet . . . . . est by the French king . . . . . a necessary and next way to a . . . . . [t]he acceptation of truce. Moreover h[e, as the head of] Christ's Church, and ensuing the steps of [Christ, who,] ascending into Heaven, did leave and give peace [unto his] disciples, whose vicar he was, he should entreat . . . [and] be a mediator between princes for the universal peace." In order that he may speak more assuredly, and to suit the princes whom it most concerns, "we" intended to persuade the Pope to come to Nice or Avignon, which would be near both the French king and Emperor; and Wolsey, as the King's deputy, would go thither, though his years are spent, and his person enfeebled, and, for the sake of peace and his love to the French king, would refuse no labour or charge that might advance peace, "and specially the reasonable and virtuous desires" * * *
Hol., mutilated.

5450. [KNIGHT to WOLSEY.]

Cal. D. XI. 33. B. M. * * * "[re]asorted unto . . . . . ng any ambassador unto an . . . . . [c]ame unto Blese, which was the 7th . . . . . nn . . . his Grace being at dinner. We e[ntered] into the chamber where he dined, and . . . . . behalf accordingly and good and gracious con . . . . . part, we abode till he had washed. After that h[e retired] into a secret chamber and sent for us, to whom, [with] humble reverence and hearty [recomme]ndations on the King['s behalf] and yours, we delivered our letter of credence." The secretary then declared their instructions in ample form, first showing the zeal and affection of their master and Wolsey for the advancement of the French king's affairs, and that they both advised the allurement of the Pope to the devotion of the two Kings, which would hinder the Emperor in many purposes; that in order that peace might be conveniently "mayned" by his Holiness, for the French king's profit, and for the safety of those who will assemble for that purpose, the English ambassador in Rome had induced the Pope t . . . * * * yon there dep . . . . . occasions and opportunities . . . . . [m]yzt with much facility be compassed . . . . . ." To persuade [the Pope] that Avignon is the fittest place, no better means can be found than Jacomo Salviati, by whose advice the Pope's affairs are ordered. Said that Wolsey is content to be the Pope's colleague, as his Holiness desires it, for his zeal for the French king, and he trusts that his labours will procure the release of the French king's children, and a good prospect of peace. If the Emperor prove obstinate, "then it may be provided, foreseen, a[nd] . . . . . .
Hol., mutilated.

5451. [KNIGHT to WOLSEY.]

Cal. D. XI. 30. ". . . . . onto pr . . . . . intended shall immed[iately] . . . . . [Emp]eror, and that done the Emperor w . . . . . re if he were the whole country . . . . . [r]esistance or contradiction would be obedient . . . . . all Christian princes not able to withst[and] his p[ower]. Item, it pricketh sore the French king's stomach [that he had to] agree unto the last truce, for by reason thereof [he hath] lost the duke of Gueldres which was his confeder[ate and] ally; and also the country of Flanders, which w[as weak] before the truce, is now greatly fortified by virtue of . . . . . and thus

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he intendeth not in any maner wise to condes[cend] unto a truce, but is full minded at the next time convenient of this year to enter his own person into Spain, assuring himself, if God do not withstand, to re . . . . . victory or to give peace at his pleasure, and is mov[ed] by this reason, he saith, that the Spaniards being in th[eir] country not accompanied with Almains, beth nothing valiant, and also they beth unprovided of all necessaries for the war; furthermore there is neither strong city, town, castle, or fortress within the country. On the other part the French king is assured to have 3,000 light h[orse] * * * . . . ends the French king . . . . . the King our master for the Fren[ch] . . . . . help accordingly. And finally th . . . . . and honorable personages if . . . . . be agr[eeable] unto reasons but obstinately stick un[to his] desires, [th]en might the rest, which were desirous of [peace and] inclined unto reason, determine a common purse, according . . . . . and with the same make a war perpetual against the Emperor beyond the mountains as it hath been done heretofore . . . . . in the inward bowels of Spain. It seemed [no small] pain unto the French King to give audience unto us v[nto] this point without interruption, and therefore we pa[used] here. The French king thanked the King's highness, his most [loving] brother and friend, and your Grace also for your continual stud[y], labours and pains, tending utterly unto his honour, and the advancement of his desires; but as touching th[e] premises he supposeth that the Pope, albeit the offer is very hon[orable], will not accept a presidie, for two causes, principally; the one is because the accepting of a guard of 2,000 men cannot take away the fear that he hath of the Cæsarians, they being strong a[nd] in great number; secondarily, for in the accepting of a [presidy] * * *

Hol., mutilated.

5452. [KNIGHT to WOLSEY.]

Cal. D. XI. 29. B. M.

* * * [gre]at enterprise. W . . . . . perceive though he have not h . . . . . this enterprise in his own prop[er person] . . es persuasion unto the Pope to come unto N[ice], al[beit] the French king should give suret[y for his] safe coming and returning. He taketh this ve[ry] . . . . . and of [no]ne importance, saying that the Pope [would] as soon leave his diadem as change or remo[ve] so far from the city of Rome, and as for assura[nce] he counteth not the Pope wise if he would trust thereunto. For further declaration of his mind and desire, he sendeth shortly a gentleman of his chamber unto the King's highness and your Grace. To our motion made touching that the Emperor had offered his sister queen dowager of Hungary in marriage unto the king of Scots, the King said [that] he was well assured that it pierced sore the Emperor's stomach to see the king of England so firmly confed[erate] with him, but as touching the suit made by the Empe[ror] * * * . . . . . adding unto them . . . . . [the duke o]f Albany would not glad . . . . . [t]hat he hath been hitherto forbid to [pass at my m]aster's request, nevertheless, if it [please the King,] he shall pass through England . . . . . unto [the king of] Scots in the behalf of . . . . . es and . . . [if] ever the King our master will ha[ve] him revok[ed the] French king will promise to [re]voke him im[mediately]. And finally touching that matter, he said that he [had declined] hitherto to meddle with the matters of Scotland bec[ause] he would avoid all manner suspicion that the Ki[ng] might else have conceived in him.

Immediately upon this, he of his own mind, wyt[h] fervent desire to know, asked how [the] matter bet[ween] the King and the Queen did

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frame. We [thereupon] answered that where of late the lord Legates entend[ed] to begin process, the Queen did come unto the lord legate Campegius, and showed unto him th[e] copy of a brief granted by pope Jule, which if" * * *

f. 31. * * * "the insufficienty of the . . . . . eede, the brief supplying the . . . . . [and] sealed only with frail wax, both . . . . . day. The bull also being in Englan[d] . . . . . custody, as that thing that was a muniment . . . . . declaration of the sure succession of the Prince, and . . . . . above this by great industry registered in Rome; t[hat] neither being after most solicit ensearch found in E[ngland], nor memory of the same in the register at Rome, ... peradventure as the brief is surrepted, so it may be with colour im . . . registered in that part of the register that the archbp. [of] Capua now detaineth in Rome, supposeth that those sus[picions] beth so vehement that no indifferent judge would have [any] respect unto the said brief. And forasmuch as th[e] malicious behaviour of the Emperor doth inwardly pierce [the] King our master's stomach, we doubt not but it would be no less displeasant unto [his] Majesty, and what his opy[nion] was we desired to know. He answered that the Pope [did] neither discreetly or lovingly entreat the King in whom w[as] power full and sufficient to ease all this matter, and tha[t] the suspicions of the brief being so many and manifest * * * [c]ontynuan[ce] . . . . . able study and desire of h . . . . . [he] highly allowed your counsel, saying t[hat he was desirous o]f the said convention, and no less des[irous to have it] in Avignon; moreover, that he would w[rite] . . . . . unto his ambassador being in Rome to move . . . . . the Pope for the same, purposing immediately upon [hearing] from him to send for the lord legate Salviati, son [to] Jacomo, which Legate followeth this court continually a . . . . . now, and trusteth that by mean of the son he shall [gain] the father at his devotion. Wherein, as it seemed unto v[s, the] King hath very good hope. Thus your Grace perc[eives] that the French king is content that the convention be lab[oured for], also that it be holden in Avignon, and for persuading of [the Pope] unto the same will write and command his orators in Rome [to do] their possibility, and finally will attempt all manner . . . . . for obtaining the aid of Messer Jacomo Salviati in the pre[mises]. This good s . . [answ]er had, we prosecuted declaration of the re[sidue of] our charges, saying, Sir, your Highness hath experimented by mean . . . . and daily may be assured to do the great goodness of your most lovin[g brother] the King our master, which no less esteemeth and taketh inwardly to h[imself any] displeasure that chanceth unto you, than if like did fortune v[nto] himself, whom the Emperor full unlike a Catholic prince s . . . .

f. 32. * * * "need to do upon a . . . . . suffer to be done in the comm . . . . . here without avisement and [counsel of t]he King's highness and your Grace. And . . . . . send messengers from my lady Margaret . . . . . they passed through for particular causes of my L[ady] . . . . . is here yet, which pretendeth that he cometh for res[titution] of divers goods lately taken from the Flemings by F[renchmen], to whom the King offered justice, other before thadm[iral] or before himself. And for because the said messenger ma[de] no further suit, the King supposeth that he is come rather [to] espy how the provision of the wars here goeth forwards than for any other thing. He said also that here [is] one come from the king of Portugal, whose charges your G[race] shall shortly know, as he saith, by his ambassador there." He thinks the Pope is not fully recovered; and if he die, he will assure Wolsey of the voices of 12 cardinals, either for himself or for another, even for the advancement of Campegius, though he esteems him imperial rather than

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his [friend] * * "mended and all . . . . . not to cease but to follow th . . . . . e truth and discharge of his . . . . . hereunto these words. Let us bring . . . . . and this matter shall be ordered at the King's [desire]." Francis promises to adhere to him *usque ad sanguinem*, and desires to know what he wishes him to do. His countenance and words show much z[eal] for the King and Wolsey. The confirmation of the same will depend upon the gr . . . . given to mons. de Langesse. Omitted, as superfluous, to say to him that if the King's [matter] were not absolved before the convention, that then y[t should] be perfected accordingly, for he desires nothing more than a convention at Avignon, "saying let him . . . . . and if this may be compassed, he doubteth not but the . . ."

Mutilated. All in Knight's hand.

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5453. SANDS and others to [HENRY VIII.]

* * * ". . . . n French d . . . . . alite betwixt a contr . . . . . eduard, comprised in 4 p[ackets] . . . . . county of Ardre, being subje[ct] . . . . . King; also by our said letter [we advertised your] highness that we being togethers in [the lordship] of Sandgate, where we received the . . . . . we devised a letter to be sent from [me your] chamberlain to the captain of Boulogne [in such] form as we advertised your Grace by our [last] letter. Also we wrote that with diligence [we] would advertise your Highness of such ans[wer as] the said captain of Boulogne should m[ake to us], which your Grace shall receive closed in . . . comprised in a letter of the said captain . . . . . directed unto me your said chamberlain." The Captain's letter is in answer to the above-mentioned letter written at Sandgate on the 8th inst., and to another dated the 3rd, which contained only thanks for a "schevere[au]" which he sent Sands, and a matter between Sands and the men of Odyngham, who are under his auct[ority]. The answer concerning the . . . . neutrality seems to us much like a hose . . . . . both legs. Guisnes, 11 April 1529.

Sands' signature mutilated, and a trace of another. P. 1, mutilated.

5454. OUDART DU BIES to SANDS.

Cal. D. XI. 77. B. M.

* * * * "deux lettres . . . . . du treich (d'Utrecht?) pour degre p . . . . . cre adverty sy le Roy a accorde . . . . . subgectz de l'empereur comme lon vo . . . . . mande ce quy en est . . . . ar les sec . . . . . du viiime Apvril me faites savoyr qu . . . . . chevreau que vous ay envoye.

"Mons. le Chambelan, mon bon voisin [et parfaict amy, je ne] scay et n'entends point que le Roy ayt acco[rde] . . . . . neutralite pour ses subgectz et ceulz de l'empereur e . . . . . quen aves oy aucunes parolles tant de cela comme d . . . . . autres chozes, a quoy ne adjoustes aincore cr[eance.]

"Mays est vray, quant dernierement je fus en cour[t, que je] suppliay au Roy quil eust en sa bonne recommand[ation] ses subgectz quil a au conte de Guisnes lequel le . . . . . permys et accorde, ayant reguard quilz navoient au[cunes] fortes places et avoient perdu le tout de leurs bi[ens,] quilz prendroyent sauveguardes, tout ainssy . . . . . comme ilz avoyent faict et vesquy des le temps des . . . . . precedentes guerres et non point en neutralite . . . . . quy ne importe aucunement aux deux Roix . . . . . mays plustost ce porroyt estre a leurs avantage . . . . . comme le vous diraye bien de bouche plusaplain [si] nous parlions paremsamble, et ou aucune choze . . . . . leur importeroit, la perpetuelle amytie dentre

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e[ux] est sy ferme et tant confederee que bien tost et . . . . . facillement telle permission de sauveguarde, ne . . . . . auroit lieu, et quant au faict de la . . . rs . . . t . . . . * * * esteles pr . . . . . rt je ay este et suys . . . . . ployer a vous faire plaisir . . . . . en delibere, de faire en tout . . . . . sera en ma poissance my, employ . . . . . Mons. le Chambelan, mon bon vois[in et parfaict] amy, je prie Dieu vous donner bonne vye." *Signed.*

Pp. 2, *mutilated. Add.:* [Mons.] le Chambelan [d'Angle]terre, cappitaine [de G]uisnes, mon bon [vo]isin et parfaict amy.

5455. The Deputy of [Calais?] to the Seneschal of [Boulogne?]

Cal. D. x. 396. B. M.

"[M]onsieur le Seneschal my go[od] . . . . . [kin]ges my masters counsell here . . . . . good grace. Advertising you that . . . . . upon your soldiers which come daily w[ithin the pale] and there behave themselves more like thieves [than soldiers] . . . . . you that of late I received letters from the K[ing by which] he hath advertised me that by his agents being . . . . . and likewise by his agents with the lady Regen[te] . . . . . [his] Majesty doubteth not but that they have already . . . . . the evil and disorders which have been done . . . . . by the men of war on both sides. Also he hath . . . . . that he doubteth not but such commandment hath been [given by the] King your master and the said lady Regente to the . . . . . under them that they shall not suffer that the . . . . . peace between the King my master and them be viol[ated] . . . . . And because I think surely that ye have true . . . . . said minds, and that according to the same ye have . . . . . to such as be under you, I assure you if any of your [men] . . . . under the Emperor are hereafter found within the Kings my [master's ground] so misusing of themselves as they have done of late, if th[ey are] apprehended doubtless they shall be executed accordi[ng to their] demerits. Like admonition I have given to all the . . . . . captains confronting with the said palles. Fu[rther I ask that] ye will ordain that restitution may be made to [a resident] of this town named Matthias Clay of North . . . . . the which five or six days passed coming to this tow[n was] taken within the said palles, and put to ransom by . . . . . the which to my thinking seem rather thieves th[an soldiers by] the premises, although they call themselves sol[diers of your] master under your charge as it appeareth by a save[conduct] made unto the said Matthias the which with . . . . . s I sent unto you herewith. Praying . . . . . in deed like as ye would * * *"

Copy. Mutilated.

ii. [The Seneschal of Boulogne to the Deputy of Calais.]

Cal. D. x. 396 b. B. M.

". . . . . my good neighbour . . . . . you and messieurs of the Co[uncil] . . . . . nd I commend me heartily to your go[od mastership. And whereas, Mons. le] Debitis, ye write unto me that daily y[ou are troubled with] soldiers which go within your palles in such . . . . . you rather theft and robbery than oth[er, this is to ad]vise you, Mons. le Debitis, that I have not k[nown that any o]f my men have done wrong to any of the King your [master's subjects]; and if ye know any such, advertise ye me ther[eof, and I will] so well punish him that ye shall have cause to . . . . . assuring you that I would in nowise in the world . . . . . to come against or to break the good peace and perpet[ual alliance] between the two kings our masters, but well empl[oy myself] to entertain and observe the same with all my powers a[s you] know I have so done always. And touching the sa . . . . . to me, if ye find any of my men within your palles, if [ye take] them ye shall cause

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them to be executed. I have . . . . . heretofore that I never heard saye but that . . . . . [if] any man shall meet with his enemy out of the tow[n] . . . . . neuter but he may warrye against him, and take h[im] or kill him. Wherefore I esteem you so wise . . . . . that ye will do them no wrong, and as I say un . . . . . make any enterprise upon the King's your master's subjects . . . . . thereof and I shall do good justice. As touch[ing the person] whereof ye write unto me I am glad of the names . . . . . sent unto me for to punish such as have taken him . . . . . be gone thither without my licence, and as their cap[tain I make] him quit of such ransom as he hath promised [unto them]. I think they were rather gone thither for to steal [because] that they did not advertise me thereof.

". . . . . received the fair oranges which my . . . . . to me. I can not thank you ne * * *"

Translation. Mutilated.

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5456. LORD JOHN BERNERS to CROMWELL.

Intended to have been at London before this. If it had not been for his letter from Norwich, would have hoped to have seen him before he left Norfolk. Asks him to find out the Cardinal's pleasure touching the matter that Cromwell sued for him. Wishes to know for certain; for if it will come to pass, he will provide himself accordingly; if not, he will provide for himself and his household here. Would be loth to come to London unless he should obtain it. Asks credence for the bearer, and wishes to know Cromwell's mind as soon as possible. Aschvelthrope, 11 April.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my welbelovyde Mr. Crowmwell. *Endd.*

11 April. Vesp. C. IV. 307. B. M.

5457. RICHARD COPER to CROMWELL.

Received his letter, and wrote from Valladolid, telling him that the sentence was that the ship and French goods should remain as prize, but the Spanya[rds] to be returned, thereby proving Alonso de Syvylla to be French, as he is by his marriage and long dwelling there. A day was appointed to confirm the sentence of the safe-conduct; which done, he hopes Mr. Honynges will send him with the first. Left the ambassadors 21 days ago within 25 leagues of Calatayud, where the Emperor was to meet them. Was sent by them to him in post. Men and horses are being provided here for the war and for the voyage to Italy.

For lack of rain wheat has risen more than a ducat the hanyke (*hanega*). Are disfavored in all their causes at this court. St. Lucas, 11 April 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* "Unto his speschall good Mr. Thomas Cromwell, off my lord Carnalls cowynsell. London." *Endd.*

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5458. WILLIAM CAPON to WOLSEY.

About the 9 March, soon after his return from London, and before the arrival of Mr. Crumwell and Mr. Smyth, Wolsey's auditor, Capon went to the monastery of Felixstow, and there kept a court, and caused Wolsey's tenants "to be returned to your Grace's college here in Gipswiche," which they did with good will. Made an inventory of certain household utensils of little value. Sent Wolsey's subdean to Bromehill and Rumburgh to take a view of things remaining there, but he only found a portion of lead at Bromehill. Crumwell and Smyth have surveyed the lands of St. Peter's, Felixstow, Bromehill and Rumburgh, and made books and rentals thereof. "They have a very excellent cast in surveying of lands; insomuch they will not lose one penny belonging thereunto." About the 11 April my lord of Norfolk repaired to your college, and viewed your buildings, having a great company with him. He was at first very rough with me, having been informed that

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I had spoiled the house of Felixstow, and conveyed away the lead and stone; but when he ascertained it was untrue, he was very kind to us, and promised us all the furtherance he could give.

Wishes Mr. Herytage were sent to Ipswich to help Mr. Subdean in surveying the works. Hitherto they have gone well forward. Ric. Lee, the master mason, has taken great pains, and they have begun to set freestone. One of our singing men is dead, also Mr. Mowlder; so the choir is in decay; but Mr. Lenthall has sent us one who sings very well. The school is so well attended with children it must be enlarged. The schoolmaster and usher take great pains. It has been found the stone at Harwich does not last, and we have determined that rag-stone should be got from Kent, which will not cost more than 17*d.* or 18*d.* the ton. There is plenty of timber ready hewn and squared. Mr. Testwood, one of the choristers, trains the children admirably. Gipswich, 12 April. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

13 April. R. O.

5459. STEPHEN VAUGHAN to CROMWELL.

Wishes to learn French, and when in London asked Mr. Palsgrave for one of his books, which he refused. Requests Crumwell to get one for him, as Palsgrave will not refuse him. Hears he has told Pynson to sell them only to those he names, lest his profit as a teacher should be diminished. Would esteem one no less than a jewel, and will send Crumwell something of greater value in return. "My brother, William Pratt," will send it over at all times. Recommends to him Wm. Clay, who is coming to England this side Whitsuntide. Left London on the Tuesday, and was here the following Saturday. Antwerp, 13 April.

Remembers that Palsgrave gave Crumwell one of his books, and asks him to send that.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c., Mr. Crumwell in London.

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5460. The GUILD OF OUR LADY in BOSTON to CROMWELL.

Thank him for the pains he has taken on their behalf. John Reede, who at first refused to do what my Lord commanded him, has since done all my Lord's monitions. Desire him to inform my Lord of this, and to get the monitions exemplified under the King's broad seal, that it may remain as a memory for their successors. Boston, 13 April 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To Mr. Cromwell, dwelling beside the Augustine Friars, London. *Endd.*

13 April. Galba, B. IX. 148. B. M.

5461. J. HACKET to WOLSEY.

On the 29th M[arch] received his letter, dated 20th inst., with the King's and his to lady Margaret. As Wm. Cley has taken the freedom of Antwerp, and Hacket doubted of his subtle casts of disobedience, delivered them himself to my Lady, and declared to her the substance and effect of the King's and Wolsey's [credence]; to which she made an amiable answer. First, as to the King's letters, she asked him to take patience till after the holy da[ys], as some of her Council were absent; she was right glad to receive Wolsey's letters, and to hear what he had done for the publication of the truce, for which she intends to write him a letter of thanks. This was on March 30. On the 6th inst., she assembled her Council to give him an answer to the King's letters, which is, that they do not find by the articles of the intercourse that they are bound to de[liver] the persons mentioned, and that she cannot break the "prew[ileges]" of the towns, which she is sworn to keep. In reply, showed them three articles of the intercourse made the year 1505, which they caused to be read, and took three days to consider.

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Meantime went to Antwerp to do his "exsplot" upon Wm. Cley. Encloses the copies of the "exsplot," and of the three articles, which he showed to the Council. At Antwerp, on the 7th, was arrested at Harman's suit, for his expences in prison, as, for lack of particular declaration of his crimes, he had been acquitted.

Appeared before the Lords on the 8th, and said that he was ready to answer any charges against him as John Hacket, but as ambassador would answer to none but my Lady and the Privy Council. Harman's procurer said he was arrested as ambassador, for causing Harman's imprisonment, and desired the Justice to condemn him to pay all costs and damages. Replied that he was not bound to answer to their laws. After long consultation the Lords declared him free from arrest, on condition that he or his procurer should appear again when summoned. On returning to Court, told my Lady and the Council how he had been treated. They were highly displeased, and summoned the "amant" and lords of Antwerp to appear at Brussels; which they did on the 12th. They were highly reviled and rebuked; condemned to revoke the arrest, and ask pardon of Hacket. When they did so, said the offence was not to him but to his master. Came before the Council today about 4 o'clock, for his answer to the articles of the intercourse, which they declared had never been ratified in these countries, and those which had been ratified are not so largely to our advantage as we pretend; my Lady and the Council cannot interfere with the privileges of the country, as Wolsey will see by her enclosed letters to the King and himself; but they say that if the King has any particular charge against his subjects who take the freedom of these countries, or against the Emperor's subjects, justice shall be administered, but they cannot deliver up any person. Does not think it necessary that the King should keep an ambassador here; but if Wolsey thinks it is, wishes he might come over for a day or two to tell him what is too long to write. Has been rebated by Wyat or Tuke of 50*l.* of the advance money that he thought Wolsey had consented to give him when he received his patent. Has spent in the last three years in the King's service 200*l.* Flemish of his own money, besides small sums of ready money, and what he laid out for a life annuity to assure his wife's dowry, by whose death he has lost 140*l.* a year. Without some increase of pay, is not able to live with honor. Is bound in the King's behalf to the Margrave of Antwerp for the costs of Sir Richard Akyrston. He would have been let out the 8th day of his imprisonment, if Hacket had not promised to pay his costs. The Margrave and "Scowtech" grumble that they are so much troubled about the King's affairs, and not rewarded accordingly. "Doubtless sometimes it were better to give an apple than to eat twain."

My Lady is well inclined to keep love and amity, but dare do nothing without the Council. Mons. de Palermo, Chans[ellor] and president of the Privy Council, is also well inclined, but dares do nothing by himself.

Hogstrat, the Treasurer and the Audiencer are the chief governors, and whatever two of them conclude, My Lady and the Council follow. Wherefore, for the good will which Hacket knows they bear to the King and Wolsey, does not marvel that they understand the laws and intercourses according to their own malicious minds, which they can colour with fair flattering and frustrate words, as Wolsey may perceive by their answer to the King's letters.

After his exploit done upon Wm. Clay at Antwerp, a learned man of law, a friend of his, asked him, if the Emperor sent an officer to London with his broad seal to demand some subject of his, whether the Mayor of London and the King's officers would allow it. Said he thought so, and that if he were the Emperor's rebel, the King would have him conveyed out of his realm.

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A little before Easter, received a letter from the Lord Chamberlain at Guisnes, in favour of certain English wool belonging to Sir Thos. Cheyne, arrested by the tollener of Gravelines. Has done his best for him. Since then it has been determined to confiscate all English wools coming hither unstapled at Calais, except that from Newcastle.

Was sent for to the privy chamber about 9 o'clock this morning. My lord of Palermo, knowing that Hacket was not satisfied with their answer about the intercourse, desired him to tell the King that if he would declare the acts that Harman or any other of his subjects had committed against him, justice should be done, and the causes kept secret; as to the intercourse, she will maintain the same to the best of her power. In this manner they think to pay us with feathers when the flesh is fled away. If there are any more articles to our advantage, Wolsey had better send them. There is no news from Spires but that the Spiritual Electors and those who take their part wish to see the heresies in Dutchland reformed; while the duke of Sassen (Saxony), the Elector, the Landgrave of Essen (Hesse), the towns of Ausbourg, Norembergh, Strasbourg, and others, will not change their opinions, —calling themselves Evangelists, and our Christian people Papalists. Hears that they would rather ask aid from the Turks than revoke their errors.

Don Fernando's ambassador lately at Constantinople desired the Turk to give up the towns and castles which he holds in Hungary. The Turk answered that he had made alliance with the Waywode, and Don Fernando would do well to give up what he holds of his in Hungary. The ambassador said also that there are ambassadors with the Turk from the French king, the Venetians and the Waywode, who have all made an alliance with the Turk; and if the Turk comes into Christendom this year, it will be by their instructions.

For this reason Don Fernando wishes the diet at Spires to constrain the French king to make peace with the Emperor. Harman Ryng is at Spires, and on his return will inform Wolsey of everything.

The Emperor's secretary, Maximilian, who came lately from Spires, says that on the first day Don Fernando sent twice to ask the duke of Sassen to come with him to mass. To which the Duke answered that he had no devotion to the Church, and would hear no mass, for the Evangel was his church and his mass. Brussels, 13 April 1529.

Hol., pp. 11. *The passage in cipher, deciphered by Tuke. Add. Endd.*

5462. JOHN WEST, Observant Friar, to WOLSEY.

R. O. Requests him to appoint a day when he may speak with him on the following topics:—

1. Touching Ric. Harman, now out of prison under sureties. Unless Wolsey can get other particular declarations of treason laid against him, he is likely to be set at liberty altogether in three weeks, and will do more mischief than ever. 2. Touching William Roye, who has been in England with his mother at Westminster. 3. What we have done with John Scotte, the printer of the books. 4. To show Wolsey where Will. Tyndalle, otherwise called Will. Hutchyns, and Jerome Barllow are. 5. How they are to be taken. 6. That West and Mr. John Crane may be despatched; for in their absence "they that have loitered in the town of Antwerp, with other places, go now abroad, and doth seducte many moo of their affinity." 7. Mr. John Crane, who has lain here so long, "is at an exigent for money," and likely to lose his service with the merchants beyond sea. If Wolsey will help him with a benefice he will spend it in the taking of these heretics. 8. Herman Ryncke's servant and son remain here to know Wolsey's pleasure what shall be done with the books.

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate. *Endd.:* Certain articles of Friar West, concerning certain Englishmen, being Lutherans, in Flanders and Almain.

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5463. FRIAR JOHN WEST to WOLSEY.

R. O. Asks that he may speak with him secretly before he sees brother Alysander Barkley, who has called Wolsey a tyrant and other opprobrious and blasphemous words.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate. *Sealed. Endd.*

14 April. **5464.** PAPAL PROVISION.

R. O. Citation to Donatus, abbot of the monastery of St. Mary's, and *de Lege Dei*, in the diocese of Leighlin, and to John Denygin, canon of the same, to appear before . . . . . ., apparitor of the papal deputy, Bernard McGilpatric, clerk of the diocese of Ossory, and . . . . . Cuylcire, 14 April 1529.

Lat., p. 1, *mutilated. Addressed, in a different hand, to Wolsey, and headed:* A copy of a provision from Rome with Eng[land, the] which, with other like, hath destroyed our Church, &c.

15 April. **5465.** ROBERT BISHOP OF CHICHESTER to WOLSEY.

Vit.B.xii.132. B. M. Has received his letter, dated Westminster, ... April. While ambassador at Rome for the King's father, he and the Spanish ambassador received instructions to go jointly to the Pope and declare the death of prince Arthur, and to ask for a dispensation for the marriage of prince Henry with the princess Katharine. When the Pope assented, both ambassadors asked for separate bulls for their sovereigns. Was shortly after despatched to England by the Pope, and the prosecution of the bull was committed to Dr. Fisher, the King's solicitor. On his arrival in England, told the King at Langley what had been done up to the time of his departure, but afterwards meddled no more in the matter. Left all the writings and instructions with Fisher, to whom the Pope promised to give favorable audience in all the King's causes, which were great and marvellous. Aldingbourne, 15 April.

Peter Carmelianus was in his time the keeper of the King's original letters, and was accustomed to keep all the replies of the Pope, and of others writing in Latin. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. and endd. at f.* 145* *b.*

18 April. **5466.** SANDYS and WINGFIELD to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Wrote on the 11th, enclosing a letter to Sandys from the captain of Boulogne. Had an inquest impanelled to inquire into certain articles, which we delivered to them by virtue of our commission. We have communicated with the under-treasurers and surveyors of works at Guisnes and Calais. Though on Maundy Thursday we advised the Legate of our proceedings in advancing the fortifications, point by point, and of the want of money, we have no money to pay the men's wages, nor yet for the purveyance of timber. We advertise you that although large sums of money have been spent by you on the fortifications here, in consequence of the universal decay and want of timely repair, little effect has been produced. It were a great pity and loss if the work should now stand still; and we are desirous to know your pleasure. We are all so much pressed here by dearth of victuals that one cannot help the other. Calais, 18 April 1529. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

18 April. **5467.** WINGFIELD to BRIAN TUKE.

R. O. Wrote on the 16th, with a packet by Thomas Tychett, sent from the King's ambassadors in France. Sends a letter from the Lord Chamberlain and himself, about the fortifications here and at Guisnes, and their want of money. They will be much distressed unless the King compel the staplers

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to make payment. Begs his letters may be forwarded to the King, and to know whether they shall continue the fortifications. A sea breach has chanced since Easter, and had overthrown the wall of Bray, but for a new head of chalk and borax. Calais, 18 April 1529.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. and sealed. Endd.*

19 April. Add. MS. 28,578, f. 160. B. M.

5468. CHARLES V. to YNIGO DE MENDOZA.

Has received his three letters of the 16 Jan., 4 Feb., and 5 March. Thanks him for his diligence. As to the matter of the queen of England, a protestation has been made to him on her behalf by a chaplain of hers. She has also written to him herself, and the English ambassadors have made urgent request that the brief of dispensation should be sent to her. Mendoza will see his reply, by the documents which have been made thereupon. Justice requires that the case should be decided in Rome. The ambassadors were much dissatisfied with his answer, and said that it would irritate the King much more. The Emperor replied that it was necessary to preserve the Queen's rights, and without just cause he ought not to send the brief. At last they desired to see it, and it was shown to them, and a copy given to them, signed and corrected by the original; so that they might see the Emperor will leave no means untried to preserve the amity. We also talked of sending a person expressly to the King, to persuade him by gentle words to desist from his demand, and that if you could come away the said person should reside there as our ambassador, as suggested in your last letter. We also mentioned to the ambassadors the mode proposed by you for your return, on the bishop of Winchester taking his leave, with which we were content, provided sufficient measures were taken for your security. Of this you will hear further, and of the person whom we intend to send through France, with a safe-conduct from the French king. Was sorry for Mendoza's illness, and hopes his return will restore him to health. Believes the English ambassadors wish to follow the court, but will take care to send them with good words to Valladolid, where they shall be well treated, till he has news of Mendoza. They have spoken to us of revoking the truce, and many times have importuned us for an answer. We have replied that we shall always be glad to remain in truce or in peace with the King their master, and with every one, although we are not satisfied with the truce with France. They said they had no commission to speak of peace, or of a particular truce, and always insisted on the renewal of the said truce, for which they desired us to send a power. We answered that we referred that matter to Madame our aunt, to do what seemed most expedient, and, if necessary, she should have any further powers that might be requisite. Saragossa, 19 April 1529.

Sp., pp. 5, *modern copy from the archives of Simancas.*

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5469. LEE to [WOLSEY].

Sends this letter, containing his judgment about the brief, apart. The considerations might have been of more value if he had seen the bull or bulls, or had been otherwise instructed. Advises Wolsey to cause Gonsalvo Fernandes, the Emperor's chaplain, and nephew to Dr. de Puebla, with whom they now confess this brief was found, [to be examined] whether indeed it was found, how it was kept, and whether any special letters made mention of it. Thinks that from his confession Wolsey may discover that it is a thing cassat, though Lee thinks it might be known without any confession. The dean of the Chapel knows Fernandez well, and Antony Vivalde can tell where he may be found. He said he went thither to recover debts. He should once have been sent to Wolsey, with commission from the archbishop of Toledo and the bishop of Palencia for redemption of their pensions; and, perhaps, now he may make suit to have the room of John Almain to levy Wolsey's pensions. He is honest but poor, and has

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making *protestations before the Pope, and in England.* Said they only wished the instrument to be corrected to avoid *offences which might hinder the renewal of the old amity,* which the Imperialists had said they much desired. They need not repeat the word *divorce* so often; for a doubt has arisen *about the validity of the matrimony, and if it is proved valid, no divorce is meant;* "being otherwise there needeth none, for that that is not, cannot be dissolved." They said that *the Queen's party took it for good. Answered that as to* the trial of the validity, *the King and Queen could be but one part,* for it is a matter of conscience which touches them both. As to the commission, said they thought *the Pope would give none but what was allowable, and there was no cause to doubt of England; it was an injury and dishonor to the King to suppose that he would not allow justice to be done in his realm; it would not be well taken* if the English said likewise *of the Emperor;* it was unreasonable *to lay default* generally, *where they could allege none particularly;* the King would allow *the Queen to have counsel of her own choice from what country she pleased; although it was said that those who came from Flanders were not allowed to tarry, the Queen's chaplain here can testify that they left only because there was no process made as yet, and there was nothing for them to do;* she has, at her own choice, *the best prelates in England, both divines and lawyers, as her counsel;* there could be no suspicion of the judges, being persons who regard honor and conscience; and *Campeggio, above all other cardinals at Rome, is devoted to the Emperor, and is renowned for inflexible uprightness and learning.* To this *they could allege no particular default, except that the doctors from Flanders were not allowed to tarry;* and the commission from Rome, *which they much reproved.* Answered these points as before. As to *Campeggio, they spoke of him as leaning to the King's part, saying that he had a bishopric in England,* but nothing from the Emperor. Replied that he had some things *under the Emperor in Almayn, and he is well known to be the Emperor's.* They said that he had been asked to do more than the rescript warranted, and that he had refused. Said they could not think that he *could be moved to do anything "exorbitate" from justice.* To their frequent mention of *the protestation at Rome and the necessity of determining the case there, answered that the Pope is judge, and will do what seems fit to him,* and the King *will refuse nothing reasonable and just.* After they left, Pernott sent them the copy of the instrument, extending only to what they spoke on 3 April, *which, with the protestation, he asked them to put in.* They sent also a copy of the brief, collated by a notary, with a message that Pernott would bring the original on the morrow; on which day, 12 April, he sent one of the Emperor's secretaries to say that he could not do so, on account of business. On the 13th were summoned by the Chancellor to his house. He asked them if they had cancelled what offended them in the instrument. Said it would be too long to mention particularly all that they thought should be omitted, but that they were offended generally with all words by which it was supposed *that the King sought divorce de facto et non de jure,* meaning that he *has no good ground to do so, but only will;—the contrary* whereof they declared to be true. *These words they thought should be left out, as likely to cause provocation.* Said also that they were informed by those *on the Queen's part that the King was moved in conscience to try the validity of the marriage in consequence of doubts proposed to and not sought by him.* Their answer was much *wandering from the purpose, about the discussion of April 11, the commission sent from Rome, the Emperor's protestation and Pernott's proposition. The Chancellor seemed to say that the instrument with the protestations in substance was already sent.*

Said that they only moved the reform of the proposition *from their desire to prevent any offence, and to repair rather than hinder the old*

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amity. Could only *advise them, and they must do as they thought best.* He answered that the Emperor and his ministers desired nothing more than *the repair of the old amity,* and all should be amended as the English ambassadors would have it. Pernott then produced the brief. Lee read it, and the bishop of Worcester looked diligently upon it. Asked to be allowed to collate their copy with it; which they granted. Called in two of their servants and Curson, which Pernott thought too many. Accordingly sent out two, retaining the Bishop's servant, with whom Lee collated the copy, finding it correct, *and made another, fearing that the Imperialists would not give it them;—which, however, they did, and it is more serviceable than the copy made by Lee, as it was collated by their notary.*

The Chancellor then said that they had seen the validity of the brief, and that he thought *the Holy Ghost, foreseeing what might follow, had preserved it; for it had been in the hands of one who was not in the court, a cousin of the person who had the handling of both marriages of the Queen; and they had many more letters and instruments of his concerning the marriage.* Said it was perhaps *Dr. de Puebla; which he acknowledged. Asked if any letters had been found touching the brief. He said* they had many letters, but could not say that they had any *touching the brief. Asked this often, but they would not confess that they had any such; and the Chancellor said that the brief was enough. Think they can have none.*

Asked Pernott if he knew the Emperor's mind touching Curson's despatch. [He said] the Emperor would speak with them before his departure.

On 14 April, Pernott sent another of the secretaries, who was formerly agent for the duke of Bourbon, who, *under colour of ascertaining what they wished altered in the instrument, tried to persuade them to be content with it without any omissions.*

Answered that their mind was known already, and that *if they wished the discontinuance of the amity they would* let pass *words that might offend;* they did this without commission, only by way of counsel, *against the sore that may grow thereof, adding that they perceived from the Chancellor's words* that the instruments had been already sent. He said, "I think they be." Told him that then he *was losing his labour, and making them do the same.* He answered that he thought the instruments were already made to be sent with these words, not avowing that they were sent, adding that *without the offensive words they would be naked, for the words were only narrativa.* Replied, it were better that the instruments *should be naked than that such words should be therein, and if they were narrativa they should report the truth, and not the contrary. Why, saith he, what is not true?* Answered, all words supposing the King to proceed *de facto et non de jure; which implies that he offends God's and man's laws,* that he acts *against his conscience, that he* attempts this thing *against the Queen and Princess without cause,* "and that he doth *the thing,* which you suppose *in his default, may be much dangerous to the realm of England;*" all these things are not only *against the King's honor,* but are *not true.* Asked why they should *prejudice the Pope and the two Cardinals deputed* to hear the cause; supposed they must be yet in doubt what *to pronounce, but the Imperialists have already pronounced that the King is acting against God's and man's law and conscience;* it is a new thing that *one who seeks salutem et tranquillitatem conscientiæ as the King does, should be noted to offend his conscience;* it is no less *strange that the King, who submits to the decision of the Pope and the See Apostolic,* should be reported to act *against God's law and man's; they adjure the King by the sacrament,* as though he purposed breaking the bond thereof,—which is not so,—and therefore as they, quorum interest *cognoscere de causa, yet doubt the decision, so they ought to doubt and not to pronounce;* the Emperor, seeing they were moved by reason, ordered such words to be struck out. But, saith he, *the Emperor and his council think the marriage to be good and lawful,*

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and therefore these words were put in by Pernot; for if the marriage was not good, the Queen has been all this time in the place of a concubine. Answered, that although the Emperor and his council *think the marriage good, it is not necessarily so; and he well knew that bona fides, as long as it endured, saved the Queen a concubinatu; and they doubted not but that after this doubt had entered the King's mind, from that time non attigit eam.* In one place *of the proposition it is said that the King moved vana formidine.* Answered to this, that the King, beside his own judgment, had *great learned counsel, both in law and divinity,* who would soon deliver him *from this fear, if it were utterly vain; and if the judges declare it so, doubt not but that the King will depose it;* if they declare the contrary, *this proposition will be vain, and not the King's fear;* these words can serve nothing for *conservation of the Queen's justice,* but may otherwise *do hurt, and can do no good.* Then he said that with their *good words, the matter would be well enough taken, and they might lenire rem.* Answered, *that their gloss would little prevail,* when the matter came to the hands of those who could better interpret it; *and that they would in vain draw forward if the Imperialists draw back, and would not be able to amend what they would fully mar.* At this point left them, saying *they might do as they thought best.*

The points which *the Bishop marked in the brief while the almoner read* were these:— *Before their going thither, he told the almoner and his servant to enter the date carefully, which they find to be* 26 Dec. 1503, 1 pont. Julii, *which seemingly makes the brief false and suspect.* The brief was *written on parchment, with the subscription in a different hand, which Lee also noted. It was not written in the usual hand, and the letters did not seem to be Italian. Lee considered the hand to be that of a learner, for there were divers unusual abbreviations. The first line ended, "negotiorum et." "Et" was written thus, &. In the beginning of a line about the end, the word "dispensamus" seemed to be rased in two places. This Lee also perceived. The date began about the end of a line, which contained only "datum Romæ apud S. Petrum;"* and the next *verse began, "sub annulo Piscatoris," going on to "primo." The brief seemed new enough, considering the date. The wax rose in the middle, as though something were underneath, but not so in the circumference, "and there appeared a little warredd enough." Ghinucci, on hearing the date, repeated "quingentesimo tertio," and marvelling said the time was long past. Lee marked the following:— "Artherus" for "Arthurus,"* "Charm^{mo}" *for* "Char^{mo}," "pprea" written thus, *"consumavit" with one* m, *"dispensamus" rased,* and "sp" *written after the fashion of a colligature in divers places.*

On the 16th went to the Emperor for resolution. He said first he thought Pernott had answered them. Said that he had not;—*meaning that they had not the resolution of all their propositions.* He said forthwith that *he could not send the brief to England, for he would seem to consent to the jurisdiction, but he would gladly send it and all things to Rome, though he seemed to mean if the case were determined there. He will be glad to have truce with the King, but made a difficulty about comprehending Francis, although he said that the truce still continued. He told them that Francis was making new business, meaning probably in Navarre. He seemed to imply that some manner might be found, and gave them to hope that the lady Margaret should have a new commission.* The same day the secretary came again from the Chancellor and Pernott, demanding *an answer to what was said on April 3,* and signifying that *they would not alter the offensive words in Pernott's proposition, of which the ambassadors must make the best they could; the Emperor would send a person to make excuse by word of mouth. Deliberated about their answer, and sent to Pernott, asking him to come to them, as they did not wish to give the answer in writing lest he should*

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insert it in the instrument. The Emperor goes to Barcelona on Monday next. He has sent wheat hence, at which the people complain. More wheat, it is said, will be sent from Malaga, as they have had rain there. See no likelihood of the Emperor's going, for no galleys are being prepared. All wonder at his intention of going to Barcelona, for there is great scarcity and sickness there. Some say the cause of his going is to get into his possession certain old treasure called depositum tabulæ, which has been deposited for safety by foreign and Spanish merchants, and by some of the Italian cities, who feared tyrants,—the owners whereof are out of knowledge, time out of mind. The Frenchman's coming into Navarre is openly spoken of. The duke of Orleans is reported to be very sick. The count of Flisco has arrived from Genoa at Barcelona, where he will remain till the Emperor goes thither. Beaurain's brother, the Emperor's master of the horse, died last night. As they see no hope that the Emperor will send the brief into England, but there is some of his sending it to the Pope if the cause be heard at Rome, intend to induce the Pope's man, who will come with the rescripts, to try whether he can obtain of the Emperor to send the brief to England, and, if that cannot be, to take or give occasion to speak of sending it to Rome, and if he can obtain this, to present no rescripts. Without reasonable cause, we think best not to provoke the Emperor, lest he should refuse to send it to Rome. If the messenger can obtain neither, then he will present both rescripts. Do not know what to do if the Emperor says he will send it to Rome if the case is heard there, until they know the King's pleasure.

The Chancellor and Pernot said they had intercepted letters from the King's officials, showing that he did not intend to go the way of justice.

The Emperor has now left for Barcelona. On the day of his departure Pernott told them that the King and Wolsey were content to allow don Ynachus to return, in consequence of his illness, and that the bishop of Worcester is to return to England, and Lee to remain; that the Emperor wished them to return to Valladolid instead of following him to Barcelona, which is infect; that when don Ynachus arrives, Lee shall know the Emperor's pleasure; and he asked them to procure a safe-conduct from the French king for don Ynachus, as he fears the sea. Do not know why the Emperor does not wish them to follow him, unless it is that he does not wish them to know how unprovided he is at Barcelona for the voyage to Italy. Have provided for secret news thence, a man whom no one can suspect. Saragossa, 20 April 1529. *Signed.*

Lee's hand. Pp. 13. *Cipher, with interlined decipher. Add. Endd.*

20 April. Vesp. C. iv. 317. B. M.

5472. LEE to WOLSEY.

Since they came hither, two monitories have come from Rome, for the archbishop of Toledo and the bishop of Palencia to pay their pensions to Wolsey. Will not use them till they hear from Wolsey. The bishop of Palencia, whom Lee has twice asked to pay, answered that he is countermanded, and that he is in communication with Wolsey for its redemption, through the bishop of Burgos, to whom Wolsey has declared that although he will not commune of any redemption until he sees the world more quiet, he will forbear to demand the payment. Wishes to know his pleasure. Does not know if his proctors have given a full account of the money he has received for Wolsey, because he believes that packets, containing bills of the bishop of Worcester and Sir Francis Poyntz for 400 and 200 ducats had from Lee, have miscarried.

Sent the former bill last July 16, and the other addressed to Tuke, by Silvester Darius. Can get another bill from the Bishop, but Poyntz is dead. Can declare it on oath; but if that will not do, will pay it out of his own purse. Saragossa, 20 April 1529.

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After they were sent back to Valladolid, caused the monitory to be presented to the bishop of Palencia, and will do the like with the one for the archbishop of Toledo.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

20 April. **5473.** JOHN HACKET to [TUKE].

Galba, B. ix. 154. B. M.

Wrote on the 13th, and sent a mass of other letters to Wolsey. Of those gentlemen who have lately come out of Spain from the Emperor, Mons. de Montfort has the charge of taking up 15,000 footmen, Mess. de Verra and Dowttre of taking up 500 men-at-arms, which they reckon here to be 2,500 hor[ses] and M. de Moscoren the steward, and the Comptroller of the expences of the Household, have some charge touching their offices.

They brought many letters to my Lady, who has summoned all the lords to hear them. There are already here, the cardinal [of] Luke, "who in word and in deed bears the standard of all the nobles and gentlemen, say what he will, and also his words must be heard, but he continues not long in co . . . . . ." *Berghes* is here, and must follow *Hoghestrat's* opinion . . . . the . . . . . *Lord Fiennes* also stands by *Hoghestrat.* As for the *governor of Bresse** (?), *Mons. de Beures* and Mons. de Reux, with the marquis of Arscot, and most of the others, they are more inclined to the cardinal of Luke's opinion than *Hoghestrat's.* The difference is not so great but that they all agree before leaving the Council; and *my Lady* is always the chief. Dined on Friday with *Hoghestrat.* Asked him, what news from Spain? He said that the Emperor was going to Italy with the greatest fleet that had been seen for many a day, and that he doubted not that all his business there would go after his desire. Hears from M. de Mouskeren, steward of the Emperor's Household, that Lallemand is accused of high treason, and is imprisoned at Valladolid. His office is executed by Pernot, who was ambassador in France, and Perny, Lallemand's chief clerk, who is said to have been more expert in the secret than his master. When he last wrote to Wolsey, there was as small a court as he has seen for three years, but now it is as large as he has ever seen. Does not know whether they will consent to the Emperor's demand for men, as they have already granted 300,000 fl.

There is news through Dutchland, that the Turk is sore sick, and that he has lost a great battle against the Sofi. They think he will not dy[scend] this year into Hungary. If so, Don Fernando will come towards Bourgoigne, and the men raised here will assist him in some other part of France. Mons. de Montfort says that the Emperor has ordered Don Inygo de Mendoza to stay for a while in England, and he did not wish to lose the King's friendship.

Hears also that the president of Paris has been sent to the Emperor to confirm Rossynboix's secret charge. My Lady sends letters to Lassaux, who is with the French King. Has written to Wolsey that, without some comfort, he cannot much longer follow this court. Brussels, 20 April 1529.

Hol., pp. 4. *A few words in cipher, deciphered. Mutilated.*

21 April. **5474.** CLEMENT VII. to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 164.

Regrets that, in consequence of his illness, he could not give the King's ambassadors an audience.

Has not been able to satisfy the King's wishes as expressed by them, although he has sought to do so night and day, and taken the best lawyers to his counsel. Would be glad if he could do what the King desires.

* The same symbol is deciphered "Isilsten," in the next letter.

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Cannot declare the brief of Julius false without hearing both sides, considering his position and responsibility to God. Must act according to justice, as he will learn further from Campeggio. Rome, 21 April 1529.

P.S. in his own hand: Has not written to the King in his own hand, as he is not yet convalescent. Begs the King to believe that he is very anxious to oblige him. *Signed with a J.*

Lat., vellum. Add. Endd.

21 April. **5475.** CLEMENT VII. to WOLSEY.

R. O. St. P. VII. 165.

Cannot forget his services to the Holy See, and will be glad to oblige him and the King. Is using all methods for so doing, and has commanded Jerome bishop of Vaison, whom he has sent into Spain, to procure the brief to be transmitted to the Pope. It is not usual for the Pope to admonish the Emperor to that effect, as the English ambassadors desired. Rome, 21 April 1529.

P.S. in his own hand: Would have been glad to have gratified Wolsey and the King. *Signed*, J.

Lat., vellum. Add. Endd.

21 April. **5476.** GARDINER to HENRY VIII.

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Besides other means of bringing the Pope to the King's purpose, has shown his Holiness apart "that which your Highness showed me in your gallery at Hampton Court concerning the solicitations of the princes of Almain," and other matters that ought to daunt him. He is a man who never resolves anything unless compelled by some violent affection; and, as Henry suspected, will do nothing to offend the Emperor, unless he be first determined to declare himself in favor of the King and Francis. This it would not be politic for him to do in the state of affairs here, unless the League proceed otherwise than they do, or the Pope determine to remove his see elsewhere. He is in great perplexity, and seems willing to gratify the King if he could, but, when it comes to the point, does nothing. Thinks he would be glad if the King's cause could be determined there by the legates; and if the Emperor made any suit against what shall be done there, they would serve him as they now do the King, and put off the time. There will be no security against this, unless Campeggio will frankly promise to give sentence in the King's favor; otherwise such delays will be found as this counterfeit brief has caused. Will endeavor to get the commission amplified, at least to the reprobation of the brief.

The King wonders, in his letters to Gardiner and his colleagues, that they make no mention of the bulls he was to procure. Thought this would have been explained by what they wrote of the Pope's sickness. Has not yet thought fit to mention it to the Pope, as it would interrupt the prosecution of the King's matter, except that he said a word to the Pope *de ecclesiis cathedralibus*, and his Holiness said nothing could be done until the cardinal S. Quatuor be recovered.

The only counsel they have yet engaged for the King are Dom. Michael and Dom. Sigismundus. The court is much deteriorated in learned men as in other things, and it is not every man that they can trust. As yet there has been no need to dispute openly. The Pope will hear no disputations as to his power of dispensing. He seems not to care himself whether the cause be decided by that article, or no, "so he did it not;" but it seems by his manner as if he was determined to meddle with it no more himself either way. Thinks if Campeggio would promise to give sentence frankly, Gardiner could say something to the purpose there (*i.e.* in England) "with such consultations as I should bring from hence." Master Gregory sends the promise made by the Pope touching the King's cause when Gardiner went to Venice. The

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first three words, viz., *cum nos justiciam ejus causæ perpendentes*, make more for the King's cause than if the commission decretal in Campeggio's hand were showed; and this the King will be at liberty to show. Requests that the payment of Master Gregory's diets may be made to his factors in England, for he lives here at great expence. Rome, 21 April.

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5477. SANGA to CAMPEGGIO.

I deferred sending to you till now the annexed letter, written some days ago, because the courier departed by mistake without waiting for it. Since then the English ambassadors have been constantly with the Pope, insisting with all possible earnestness on the King's desire. As the Pope is very anxious to satisfy him, it would be unnecessary to importune him so much if we had any means of complying with his wishes. But the demand which these ambassadors make is such that the Pope cannot satisfy them without great consideration. To find some means of executing the King's desire, the Pope has caused the cardinals Cesis and S. Quatuor and the auditor Simonetta to consult about the matter with all the learned persons in the court, in order to discover the means by which his Holiness could satisfy the King, to whom he is so greatly obliged. At length they have all come to the conclusion that they have no resource; that it would be contrary to all law, and conducive to the greatest scandal, if his Holiness, without first hearing the other party, should declare the brief to be null; and that it would be a very strange thing if the Pope had to give sentence in an uncertain matter. Therefore, being unable to do this, the Pope proposed to take the only step possible, that is, to write to the Emperor desiring him to send the original brief either to Rome or to England, where the Pope has committed the cause to you. But not even this offer of the Pope's was sufficient for these ambassadors, who, both on account of their King's desire, and because he is aware of the Pope's inclination to gratify him, demand more than his Holiness can do with justice. They wished the Pope to command the Emperor to produce the brief within a limited period, as otherwise it would be pronounced false,—imperious language, which it is not customary to use to any prince, much less to a most powerful Emperor, at whose mercy his Holiness finds himself. Even if the Pope had written such an imperious letter as the ambassadors desired, no more would have been done to compel the Emperor to send the brief than will be accomplished by writing in a more gentle manner.

As the ambassadors were not contented with the manner in which the Pope was able to write, they said they did not care about the brief to the Emperor, seeing that the Pope refused to write it in their form. Nevertheless, as his Holiness is desirous of satisfying the King in the course of justice, he will write about the brief, and give this very explicit commission to his maître d'hôtel—that he shall depart immediately for Spain, and use all his diligence to procure the production of the brief. Your Lordship, who understands as much of these matters as any of the Pope's councillors here, must see that, even if the Pope wished to do a thing opposed to reason, he could not act otherwise than he does,—not even were his own life concerned in the matter. It is therefore desirable that, whenever you find any desires arising there of such things as you feel sure the Pope cannot grant, you should deprive them of all hope, or leave them so little that it shall not appear strange when their desires are refused here. In short, I see in the Pope a great desire to please his Majesty; but these ambassadors are too vehement in seeking to obtain their demands, and no reasons, however forcible, are sufficient to quiet them. The Pope is very ill content with this,

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and thinks that a great wrong is done him when his intentions towards the King are suspected. Moreover, the words they use seem very unbecoming,—that if this be not done, great damage will arise from it to the Apostolic See; as if, even to gain the whole world, the Pope ought to do impossibilities; or as if what they menace would not rather prove to their own damage. I tell you how matters stands, in order that, for the love of God, you may divert these troubles (*fastidij*) from here.

The Pope is writing to the King, and would have liked to do so with his own hand, but at present he is not sufficiently relieved from the effects of his complaint. I send you a copy of the letter which asks credence for you in the matters of which I have written above. The Pope would not be displeased if the letters of the ambassadors should weaken the hope entertained there, for the less they anticipate the impossible things which they demand, the less will they be disappointed. Rome, 21 April 1529.

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21 April. R. O. **5478.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to [WOLSEY].

At last the Pope has resolved to send off to the Emperor the bishop of Vaison, his major-domo, in place of the nuncio, who is lately dead. There was a great dispute about the matter. At length it was resolved that he should tell the Emperor that the Pope would visit him, provided the galleys of Andrea Doria were delivered to him, and nothing was done to the detriment of his person or the Church; that his Holiness undertook this journey, not to prevent the coming of his Majesty into Italy, but rather to arrange public affairs, and settle a peace among Christian princes. The Bishop will leave in three days. News is come from the Emperor that he will be at Barcelona about the middle of April, because he understands that the kingdom of Naples is much disturbed. He will inform the Pope of his intentions. The merchants have received letters from Spain, stating that great preparations are in hand. The French and the Venetians are deluding each other. Orders came three months ago from France for the Milanese expedition. Arrangements were proposed for the contingents, but they cannot agree. The consequence was that when Ant. de Leyva heard of it, he put Milan in a state of defence. The French have no commander at Abruzzi, except the abbot of Farfa, who can do no good, and is so fickle that he is likely to go over to the Emperor. Other news of the proceedings in Italy. Francis has taken into his pay, to the great dislike of the Pope, Malatesta Balioni. News from Florence, of small consequence. The Florentines have attacked the palace, and rejected their Gonfalonier, asserting that he has conspired with the Pope. I have persuaded myself, and have been assured by Salviati a thousand times, that the Pope would never join the Emperor. Now I should not be surprised if he did, for the persecution of his friends and relatives will be a great incentive for him to do so. The French ought to prevail on the Florentines to restrain themselves. I have given the Pope's writing to Stephen Gardiner, to send to you. Rome, 21 April 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 5.

21 April. R. O. **5479.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to WOLSEY.

I sent a friend of mine, named Pietro Chiaveluti, to learn the state of affairs in Apulia. Gives a brief account of the country and its chief places. The Venetian leaders, De Vasto and others, can barely hold their own, but cannot do any injury to the Imperialists. Monopolis cannot easily be reduced. Between Abruzzi and Piceno there are 2,500 Germans. Rome, 21 April 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2. *Add and sealed. Endd.*

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21 April. **5480.** SALVIATI to CAMPEGGIO.

R. O. Extracts from letters.

10 *April.*—So his Holiness up to the present time was not so anxious as now he is. He is perpetually tormented with a desire to satisfy the King, and has therefore entrusted the matter to De Monte, S. Quatuor, and Simonetta.

Elsewhere.—The Pope is in great trouble, as, having avoided one rock, he finds he has been dragged into greater difficulties, though he has protested to the King his willingness to oblige him in all respects. The Imperialists propose many objections, which they have not yet made public. As to the remark of your Eminence, that remedies are anxiously expected from here, we have them not in our power, and nothing has yet been proposed by the ambassadors in which we can acquiesce.

Elsewhere.—The objections which we hear against the Emperor's coming into Italy strengthen the Pope's wish of undertaking the journey, from which he expects great benefit to the peace, in consequence of the society and presence of the cardinal of York; and he is now extremely grieved to hear that he will not come until the King's cause is finished. Thus he thinks he is deprived of his expectation of peace, and the absence of Wolsey is like cutting off the Pope's right hand.

21 *April.*—As to your remark that they are not satisfied with the reply made by the Pope to the English ambassadors, more is asked than the Pope can grant. They would have had the Pope dictate to the Emperor for the production of the brief within a specified time, or to proceed summarily to sentence. Such a method of proceeding was never used with any prince, much less with the Emperor.

Elsewhere.—He has resolved that his nuncio with the Emperor shall treat for a truce, and if his hopes prove well founded, he will consider himself much indebted to God. If the Emperor consents he does not doubt the thing may be accomplished.

Lat., pp. 3. *Endd.*

21 April. **5481.** BRIAN to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 166. You will learn by "your" (our) letters sent to Wolsey how often we have spoken with the Pope. You sent me here to instruct you how matters proceed. Master Stevyns (Gardiner), Gregory (de Casale), Peter (Vannes) and I have done what we could. You will see by "your farmer letter" (our former letter) to the Cardinal that the Pope will do nothing for you; and were I to write otherwise, I should put you in hope, where none is; and whoever has told you that he will, has not done you, I think, the best service. There is no man more sorry to write this news than I am. No men are more heavy than we are, that we cannot bring things to pass as we would. I trust never to die but that your Grace will be able to requite the Pope and "Popys," and not be fed with their flattering words. I have written to my cousin Anne; but I dare not write to her the truth, but will refer her to your Grace, to make her privy to all the news. We hope to know your pleasure as to staying here. I recommend to you the service of the prothonotary Casale, your ambassador at Venice. Your ambassador here keeps an honorable house, and is at great expence.

P.S.—Alexander, the courier, arrived here, with letters from you and the Cardinal, expressing surprise that we should have stated that the Pope would do nothing for you; we wrote as we saw. If Alexander had not come, we intended to have despatched Tady. I have shown your letter of remembrance to Gregory and the prothonotary Casale. Rome, 21 April. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

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5482. KNIGHT to WOLSEY.

Cal. D. XI. [x. 36.] B. M.

* * * "sent . . . . . with high praise and . . . . . the device as for the matter and . . . . . secretary said that albeit the King's . . . . . full answer by mouth unto Mons. de [Langeais] . . . . . as he declared there on the King's behalf, whe . . . . . as it was supposed, had made report hath . . . . . to the intent that the matters, being so weighty, should . . . . . understanded and pondered here, as they beth meaned [by the King's] Highness and your Grace, I had special commandment to re[late] the same, and first shewed that the King our master [was] sorry that the affairs of Italy had so unfortunate success, [not] doubting nevertheless but that with diligent foresight a . . . . . right good effect might ensue upon his matters in time. Moreover, the informations and instructions for an [offensive] and defensive league in Italy brought from Rome by Mons. de . . . . . were [approved] by the King and Wolsey, except that it should be first tried whether the Emperor would accept the indiction of a truce by the Pope, and on reasonable conditions deliver the French princes, and consent to a universal peace; on his refusal it should take effect, and lord Rochefort or some other able man should come hither to conclude a contribution to be made for con . . . . * * * . . . . . the re . . . . . [dan]gerous enterprise it was for . . . . . an army into Spain. First. . . . . htes, which being in the enemy's domy[nion] . . . . . defended with small power and a right pu . . . . . retarded and disturbed or with great loss should trans . . . . . the passage, the country of Spain barren . . . . . intolerable, nothing to be won." The event of battle was uncertain, so that a sure peace, though the conditions were somewhat grievous, was to be preferred to great h[ope] of victory. Though he had many confederates, none regarded the end that he desired, except the king of England; for the Venetians, Florentines and other Italians had respect to the preservation of what they had hitherto usur[ped], and to other pieces to which they daily aspire, and feared nothing more and desired nothing less than peace. Item, that the Emperor's ambassador in England, who is considered to have great zeal for peace, had said to the King and Wolsey, without knowing of anything intended between these two Princes, that the Emperor is and would be tractable, if there were a mediator for the peace, which if the King would permit him to be, he would undertake to persuade the Emperor to accept the truce.

Cal. D. XI. [x. 37.]

* * * " . . . . trees for the same purp[ose] . . . . . [premis]es, we besought his Mages[ty,] . . . . . season, and to consider what surety and . . . . . upon a truce, being the peace mayned . . . . . limits of France, your Grace being present . . . . . were impeached by sickness or other inconvenience . . . . . peace committed unto your Grace and lord Cardinal . . . . . for which intents, as conclusion of the league, persu . . . . . Pope for coming unto Avignon, for deputation and committing . . . . . with many other considerations tending other unto peace or [truce], it was thought very expedient that Mons. de Bayon [should go] unto Rome with instructions and power sufficient, which [we asked] his Majesty to do and with diligence." The first thing that the King said after this, was that it was no time now to dissemble, for his children had been three years in captivity, cruelly handled, and none of his subjects were allowed to be with them; since their being in Spain, [he had] endured charges innumerable; he had lost by c . . . . . sickness, many noblemen, and a whole army in Nap[les, peace]." hath been offered unto the Emperor

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this year, by all likelihood *Don Fernando will come this summer with all his army to Burgundy or some other part of France, and that these Low Countries will do the Emperor some good service with men or money; that Hoghestrat would prefer the alliance of France to ours, but the card. of Luke, and lords Berghes, Beures, Isilsten,* Reux and their allies, hold the contrary opinion. However, they all agree well in their conclusion of counsel, and will not meddle with us unless we meddle with them.* The Emperor has caused a quantity of artillery and powder to be sent out of Mechlin, as they say here, for the Spanish fleet, which is now at Antwerp and Zealand, and numbers 153 ships, great and small. Ma[chlyng], 21 April 1529.

There has been a great rumour here that the French have made forays in Hainault, and therefore the Frenchmen and goods at And[werp] and Barrow have been arrested. Since then the Fre[nch] king has written to excuse the business to my [Lady] . . . . . and the arrest is ordered to be removed. Sees nothing but good appearance touching the performing of the truce. 22 April.

In order to encourage all the King's subjects, both in the realm and without, to obey the King, advises that if William Cley appears to the King's citation he should have as favorable justice as possible.

Hol., pp. 4; *part cipher, deciphered; mutilated. Add.*

22 April. **5484.** CHARLES V.

R. O.

News from Saragossa from the ambassador of the marquis of Mantua, 22 April (corrected from March).

The Emperor, contrary to the advice of every one, intends to go to Italy, though many difficulties, especially pecuniary, lie in his way. He seems inclined to make peace with the Italian princes, content with the kingdom of Naples, but is in no way disposed for peace with France. Authority has been given to the prince of Orange to make peace with the Venetians, who answered that they had determined to join no peace unless universal. A report has been heard in Spain of the Chancellor's arrival in Italy to treat with Venice. The Emperor arrived at Saragossa on the 20th, and lodged at the monastery, intending to proceed to Barcelona on the 6th April. Several ships were being loaded with corn to be carried to Milan, and corn and fodder had been collected in Andalusia, and sent to Barcelona and Carthagena, where the fleet met. Twenty-four gallies were being built at Carthagena. Twelve hulls were already finished, two of which D. de Mortaco had equipped. The Emperor had many ships of burden built, but the management of maritime affairs was left to Andrew Doria. Two ambassadors arrived from the duke of Savoy, then some from lady Margaret, about peace; but it is in vain, unless Francis will carry out the treaty of Madrid. The Emperor was said to be leading with him 10,000 foot and 500 noble horsemen, and the heirs of all the noblemen in Spain. He has sent Bonyfortis into Germany to enrol troops, and lead them to Italy.

P.S.—It is daily more certain that he will not go to Italy, but meet the Courts at Barcelona for levying money, and then send troops to Italy.

Lat., pp. 2. *Endd.:* Nova ex Urbe.

23 April. **5485.** YNIGO DE MENDOZA to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 183. B. M.

His licence to leave England has arrived just in time to give him life. Has little to do to fulfil the Emperor's orders before leaving. The King wishes to have the bishop of Worcester home. Requests the Emperor to

* Deciphered, "The governor of [Br]esse" in the last letter.

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have him conducted to the confines of Perpignan, where he may be exchanged. London, 23 April 1529.

Spanish, pp. 2. Modern copy from the archives of Simancas.

23 April. **5486.** SPAIN.

Vesp. C. iv. 318. B. M.

Extract from letters of the bishop of Worcester to Nicolaus Rusticus, dated Saragossa, 21 April, in cipher.

He must ask Wolsey to act cautiously about the suspicion of the date of the brief; for if it is discovered before the Bishop leaves, his journey through Spain will be most dangerous, especially if he is alone. They say here that the brief was found among De Puebla's papers; which does not seem probable, nor consistent with what is contained in the transumpt. Considers the brief most suspicious. The seal seemed to be old wax over new. The Emperor gave them a good opportunity of speaking, as of their own mind, concerning truce and universal peace. Said nothing about the particular peace. Believes the Imperialists expected them to speak of it. Is sorry that he is going away, because it is important for him to be present if any one comes from Rome concerning the brief. Has, however, engaged a man to give him information, whom no one knows to be in his service. Could not leave one of his servants, for he would certainly be illtreated. Wishes their common masters to know that he will do whatever he can, but that this sort of thing cannot be done without danger and expence. Asks him to obtain from Wolsey a reimbursement of his expences. Does not think that the Queen's servants fear any copy or transumpt of the brief. If the Emperor's messenger has anything, God knows when he will arrive, as he goes by sea; and besides, if the cause is to be taken to Rome, it is not likely that they will present anything in England. Has therefore sent the copy by Courson.

The Emperor tells all whom he suspects that his voyage to Italy is certain, and orders them to prepare; to others he shows himself doubtful. Some provision is being made. He wished to have the guns belonging to the Archbishop of this town. Thinks he goes to Barcelona to plunder the *tabula depositorum.* He will probably go to Italy if anything favorable happens, although he has not made suitable preparations. Troops are being collected, as is said, to resist a French invasion. Thinks that many will not make more resistance than necessary to escape the charge of treason, and will receive them if they come with an irresistible force. A Florentine friend of the Bishop's is here with silks for sale, but none of those mentioned as going with the Emperor will buy them.

ii. From letters dated April 23.

Is told by a friend that the galleys at Barcelona are on land, and in the same state as they were months ago, but there is great store of oars, sails and other necessaries, and that the Emperor has already tried unsuccessfully to get possession of the *tabula depositorum.*

Expects to leave for Valladolid in four or five days.

Lat., pp. 3. Endd.

23 April. **5487.** GHINUCCI and LEE to WOLSEY.

Vesp. C. iv. 320. B. M.

Send by Curson a copy of the brief collated with the original before the Chancellor and Pernott, and signed by their notaries. Ghinucci advises that this should be well kept, lest they hear from Rome about the false date, and make another. Have ordered him that shall lie in the Emperor's court to watch if any one comes from the Pope with the rescripts; and, as they do not know whether the messenger will come from the Pope or Mr. Stevyns, have given their agent two letters, in Latin and English, to desire him to

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do nothing before hearing from them. Wish to show him the suspicion about the brief, that he may allege it if the Emperor refuse to send it to Rome. Will also send him a copy, lest they get another. Send the monitory of the bishop of Palencia, attested by a notary. Will also send one to the archbishop of Toledo, who has not hitherto recognised that he ought to pay any pension. Send a copy of the instrument made by the Emperor's notary of Pernott's proposition before the Emperor, and their answer. Saragossa, 23 April 1529. *Signed.*

P.S.—On looking at the instrument found the following matters *not correctly stated:* Quod episcopi sedulo visitaverunt. Quod mandantibus episcopis notarius legit. Quod notarius tenorem brevis in instrumentis inseruit ex requisitione Pernotti et mandato episcoporum. Saragossa, 23 April 1529. *Signed.*

Lee's hand; cipher, deciphered by Tuke; pp. 2. *Add.*

5488. ST. GEORGE'S FEAST.

Ashmol. No. 1,109, f. 129.

Celebration of the feast of St. George, 21 Hen. VIII.

24 April. Vesp. C. IV. 321. B. M.

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Finding that the instrument contained what was not true, were perplexed whether they should send it, or should try to have it amended. Considered the quality of the matter and of the persons, and the extremity of time, for the Emperor had departed some days, and the Chancellor and Pernott would only remain till next day. Thought it impossible to get anything amended, or to get the instrument again if they once gave it up, and feared that Curson's despatch would be retarded, and that the Emperor being displeased might hinder the truce; and therefore abstained from complaint. But in order to prevent it being laid to their charge that they were content with the instrument, caused a man to spy when the Emperor's notary was out of his house, and then sent a notary twice to ask him to amend the faults, charging the notary to give instruments of their having sent him. Have conceived an answer to Pernott, but will not publish it until they know the King's pleasure, especially about the truce. But lest long delay should derogate from its authority, if used hereafter, have made a protestation before a trusty notary to the effect that as the Emperor had left six days and had ordered them to return to Valladolid, and as there was no one here in authority, they presented the answer before the notary, ready to exhibit it when they come to his Majesty. Will send a copy. Saragossa, 24 April 1529. Signatures torn off.

Pp. 2. *Cipher, with interlined decipher by Tuke.*

Vesp. C. IV. 322. B. M.

2. Notarial instrument drawn up by Dominic Beltran, of Saragossa, public notary in Aragon and Castile, attesting that when Ghinucci and Lee were before the Emperor on April 3, Nicholas Pernotti, lord of Granvela, said certain things concerning the king of England, of which Ghinucci and Lee had not been forewarned, and which it was impossible for them to answer in detail, as they could get no copy of his speech until April 22. The Emperor with most of his council has been gone three days, and the Chancellor and Pernotti left this morning. The English ambassadors, therefore, for their justification, declare their inability to reply, as the Emperor has forbidden them to follow him, but ordered them to return to Valladolid.

Witnesses: Matthew Chaten, clerk of the diocese of Saragossa, and Francis de Massa, layman, of Saragossa. Saragossa, 24 April 1529.

Lat., pp. 2, *copy. Endd. at f.* 340 *b.*

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24 April. **5490.** DIET at SPIRES.

Cleop. E. v. 231. B. M.

Articles and conclusions by the Princes and Electors at Spires, 24 April 1529.

It is necessary that a General Council should be held at the instance of the Pope and the Emperor within twelve months, either at Cologne, Mayence, Strasburg or Metz. If the Pope cannot be present, the Emperor should be there. After this diet all Princes and Lords should agree together, and behave to their subjects as they will answer to God and the Emperor. The decision about all new sects, &c., brought forward in this and the last diet, shall be postponed until the Council. No new learning shall be preached touching the sacrament, and there shall be no hindrance to the performance or hearing of mass. All adults being rebaptised shall be put to death by fire or sword, at their choice. If any person will ask forgiveness, and cry for mercy, he shall have mercy. Children shall be baptised in their youth, according to the old manner. Any lord upholding persons who have fled in consequence of their opinions "shall run in the Emperor's statute, per bannum Imperiale." Every lord shall command parish priests and preachers in his dominion to teach the Gospel, saying nothing of these new found matters, and keep them obedient to their princes and lords.

Until the General Council no books shall be printed without being perused by four learned doctors. No lord, spiritual or temporal, shall override any person by force, touching the Christian faith, nor overcharge them in their rents or tithes, nor oppress them in any way. No lord shall uphold the subjects of another against him. If any lord is attached by another he may appeal to the Emperor's laws, and the Emperor's commissary shall summon the offender to cease his violence and appear in his Majesty's chamber. If the offender will not obey, the Emperor's fiscal shall proceed *ad bannum Imperiale*, as ordered at Worms; the Emperor's chamber and the nearest neighbours shall assist the injured party, who may recover costs from the offender. If any subjects, spiritual or temporal, make a congregation or insurrection, it shall be lawful for the neighbouring princes or lords to raise a force and punish them. The Princes are agreed "for a sudden help against the blood sucker of Christian people, the tyrant Turk."

Pp. 5. *Endd.*

24 April. **5491.** JOHN CURAT to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Asks for his favor. The bishop of Norwich, as Dr. Lee can tell him, sent for him to Hoxne on the Saturday after St. George, and "tryumphed and highly talked" with him about the money Curat had paid to my lord's Grace. He was displeased with Curat's commission for the approbates of testates and intestates within the archdeaconry of Norfolk. Thinks they will try to persuade Wolsey to revoke it. Has paid his half year's farm to Mr. Ellis, but has got little or nothing yet from the office, and hopes Cromwell will see that he sustains no loss. Hoxne, the day above written.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Cromwell at London. *Endd.*

25 April. **5492.** JOHN CURAT to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Asks for his favor, as he did in his last letter by Dr. Lee's servant. Never had more need to seek friends than now. My lord of Norwich is very angry, and threatens him with an action for having paid the money Cromwell knows of to my lord's Grace (Wolsey). Has made process against some for not paying their dues to Wolsey, but the Bishop has ordered them to pay it to him instead, as Mr. Stillington's executor. He is also very angry that Wolsey has granted Curat a commission for testates and intestates. Has just sent his half year's ferm, 70*l.*, to Mr. Ellis, but has not received 20*l.* yet.

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If it is annulled, as the Bishop boasts it shall be, it will ruin him, "seeing I have a new master archdeacon, and near of my lord's Grace's kin."* Wolsey should not suffer his kinsman's officers to be removed so suddenly. St. Mark's Day 1529.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* To, &c., Mr. Cromwell, one of my lord Cardinal's grace's council, dwelling ayenst the Awsten Fryers' gat in London. *Endd.*

25 April. **5493.** HACKET to TUKE.

Galba, B. ix. 158. B. M.

Wrote on the 13th by Laures Nortt . . . and on the 20th and 22nd by Mr. Deputy of Calais, and has received no letters since then. The Emperor has desired my Lady and the Council to engage part of his demesnes to furnish him with money; and it is concluded that divers of the Order, and of the Emperor's officers, with the prelates and abbots, shall be taxed after their estate to buy a so[m] of rents heritables, "the penne xvj. ap . . . the said Emperor's demesnes." The petition for men is not yet consented to, but will probably be performed. Today Master Bri . . . . . *one of the Emperor's high council*, and a special friend of . . . . ., dined with me. Asked him if he believed that *Rossynboix* would bring his commission to perfection or not. He said that it was begun on the flattering offers of France to break the Emperor's enterprise in Italy, but it is not sufficient to stop the *Emperor's* purpose; he thinks *Rossynboix's* labor will be in vain, though *Hoghestrat* and others of his party think they will do miracles.

There is great dearth of corn in Spain and Biscay, as well as Italy and elsewhere, and corn here begins to rise. Thinks English victuals should be restrained, unless they have great abundance. If they lack, the Easterlings can provide them much cheaper than these countries. The Margrave and Scowttett of Antwerp are not well pleased that Akyrston is left so long in prison. Such delay will make them less willing to assist another time. Repeats his complaints about his want of money. Asks that Akyrston may be sent for to England. Advises that some little remembrances should be given to the Margrave and Scowttett. They have done their devoir at all times; but the burgoma[ster] and the law of the town have d[one] more diligence to save a cocka . . . . . heretic than to please a noble pri[nce]. Besides the expences mentioned in other letters, spent on Harman's process 12*l.* 11*s.* Fl., and does not know how he can make an end with him, unless the articles of intercourse be reconfer[red]. Hesdyng recommends himself to Wolsey and to Tuke. He says he is much beholden to the cardinal of Luke, who keeps him in his house at Luke, and who, greatly against the goodwill of *my Lady and Hoghestrat*, has saved him from perpetual banishment * * *

On the 22nd he sent the King's letter to Hacket, asking him to deliver it to the cardinal of Luke, which he did, with one of his own. Encloses the letter from the Cardinal in answer.

Is told that the conclusion of all the Lords is that all the Estates of these countries shall meet my Lady and the Lords of the Order here, when a proposition shall be made in public of all the Emperor's petition.

Thinks that this letter will be taken by William Cley, to whom Hackett has delivered the King's writ, and who leaves his business half done, half undone, to obey it. The council of the Merchants Adventurers think that Hacket's exploit on Cley is contrary to their privileges. At Machlyng, at my departing toward Brusse[ls], 25 April 1529.

Encloses a copy of the second "ligassion," which he has taken of Cley.

Hol., pp. 5. *The cipher deciphered. Add. Endd.:* Letters from Mr. Hakkett of the xxth day of April.

* Thos. Wynter, archdeacon of Suffolk.

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25 April. **5494.** SIR ROB. WINGFIELD to TUKE.

R. O. Wrote today. Received this evening a letter from my Lord Chamberlain, who writes that this day Madame de Langirton arrived, and told him that a secret commandment is come from the Emperor to Flanders to be ready for war with France. This day my "spial woman" reports that the captain of Tornaham is to prepare to fortify the castle. These are strange news if true. Calais, 25 April 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

25 April. **5495.** SIR ROB. WINGFIELD to TUKE.

R. O. It is not more than an hour and a half since I wrote last by Tychett. At the shutting of the gates, I have heard from Tournay, that on Monday last the garrison of Guyse took certain Imperial carts laden with merchandise; for which reason they of Valenciennes have arrested the French carts. De Lanooye, captain of Tourney, has taken an abbot and all the French who were there. Also, an archer of mine has had news, on riding to Oodyrkyrke, and was warned not to go there. Mons. de Neelys has gone, bag and baggage, to Boulogne. Calais, 25 April 1529.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

26 April. **5496.** PETER VANNES to BRIAN TUKE.

R. O. Of the money on Antony Vivalde's letter of exchange, has received 2,000 ducats from Florence, at 63*d.* each, for which he has given a receipt as for the business of the King and Wolsey. Has given to the merchants letters of exchange to the value of 500*l.*, and has received others for the amount of 6,000 ducats for Wolsey's business. The letters are directed to Tuke. Wishes to know whether to take the money as for the King's expences or Wolsey's.

Has spent on the affair of Winchester 8,000 ducats and 600 of his own, the account of which he has sent to his Grace. Besides, it is dangerous to write one's name on the King's books. The report of this money being for Wolsey might increase the difficulty of the Winchester affair. Bryan alone receives the money of the duke of Suffolk, and spends it for the King's affairs. Has not yet received any money from the King, except what Tuke gave him at his departure, of which he has spent on his journey, for the security of the King's books, about 500 cr. The remainder can be counted as his diets from Nov. 26, so that at the end of April more than 100*l.* will be due to him. Begs him to pay that amount to Nicolas, or to Antony Bonvisi for him. Sir Gregory complains greatly that he has never heard of the money which Tuke wrote that he had paid to Bonvisi by the commission of Vincent Casale, and wishes to know how the King intends him to provide for his affairs. Is anxious to return. Rome, 26 April.

P.S.—"I do not doubt but we shall be saved from the convention that ye write of to me, ejus beneficio, qui uno tempore contraria molitur, et qui spem et timorem videtur indiciis non obscuris in uno collocasse. Perdonatemi sel vero e alle volte molesto."

Lat., pp. 4. *Add. Endd.*

26 April. **5497.** HENRY EARL OF NORTHUMBERLAND to WOLSEY.

R. O. Have received your letters, written with your own hand, in which your Grace "doth not only, of your great goodness toward me, monish me of that faults by your Grace in me esteemed, but also doth comfort my sorrowful heart in that which it doth please your Grace to write unto me, your most humble and assured servant, with your most gracious hand so kindly." Considers Wolsey his chief refuge next God and the King. To

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[Gonçalo Fernandez to Charles V.]—*cont.*

The Earl always treated me very well, often sending me venison and cows to the ship. His greatest enmity is towards the cardinal of England. He said he had been in alliance with France, and had a Breton kinsman named M. de Quindal (Kendal ?), who lived near Bordeaux, and who has been in the French king's army; but he promised henceforth to hold the French as enemies, as they were enemies to the Emperor.

ii. *The power which he holds, and in what parts.*—In Ireland are four principal cities, of which Dublin is the largest and richest. The Earl has no possessions in that neighbourhood; but his kinsman Kildare, who has the rule there, has been married to his sister, and has been imprisoned in the Tower of London, they say on Desmond's account. The other three are Waterford, Cork, and Limerick, in all which he has many adherents. He has much power among the wild Irish. He has many knights who pay him tribute. There are ten castles on his lands, one of which, named Galvan, the king of England has in vain attempted to take.

iii. *His person and vassals.*—He is 34 years old, of middle height, very well spoken; he is cool and confident in battle. He walks lame, having a gunshot wound in one leg. He keeps better justice in his land than any lord in Ireland, especially as to theft and murder. His men are much given to these things, but show no skill in anything except in daring death like animals. Their arms are small bows and swords. They wear coats of mail (*cotas de maya*) down to the feet, with their "gorsals" and halberts. The Earl has many horses, some of them pretty fair for breaking lances. The men all ride without saddle or stirrups, and do wonders on horseback.

Spanish, pp. 7, *modern copy from the archives of Brussels.*

28 April. Add. MS. 28,578, f. 194. B. M.

2. "Sequuntur informationes directæ ad invictissimum ac sacratissimum Cæsarem, semper Augustum, per me comitem Desmonie, dominum Desiæ et Ogonyll ac libertatis Kyerrygiæ."

I, James earl of Desmond, am of royal blood, descended from Brito, who conquered Britain, both greater and less, as well as Scotland and Ireland.

Causes of the enmity against the king of England. The first cause is an old prophecy, believed by the English and contained in their old chronicles, that an earl of Desmond will conquer all England. 2. My grandfather Thomas was beheaded for fear of this prophecy, when no crime was alleged against him. 3. Richard, the son of the king of England (Perkin Warbeck), hearing of the enmity of the King and my predecessors, came hither with a great army in the time of my father, who brought nearly all Ireland into subjection to him. 4. The King detained my kinsman Gerald earl of Kildare in prison, until my father liberated him by his power, and obtained the viceroyalty (*locum regis*) in Ireland for his kinsman. 5. The King, hearing that my father was paralytic, when I was about eight years old, stirred up both English and Irish to attack him, though there was peace between them. They have, however, obtained no victory in 24 years. 6. While there was peace between me and the King, his attorneys plundered my servants who were trading in France and Flanders to the value of 9,000*l.*, and the King still detains them in prison. I therefore beg your assistance, and promise mine faithfully. 7. I have 16,500 foot (*decem sex milia peditum cum dimidio*) and 1,500 horse, with the following friends and allies:—*Princeps Oberayn*, with 600 horse and 1,000 foot; Theobald de Burgh, with 100 horse and 600 foot; Sir Richard Poer, with 40 horse and 200 foot; lord Thos. Butler, with 60 horse and 240 foot; Sir John Geraldi, with 80 horse and 440 foot; Sir Gerald the younger, with 40 horse and 200 foot; Sir Thos. Comitis (Courcy), with 40 horse and 200 foot; the White Knight, with 40 horse and 300 foot; lord Odonyll, prince of "Ulidia" (Ulster ?), with 800 horse and 4,000 foot;

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the knight of Walle, with 40 horse and 240 horse*; Captain Ocunachuyr, with 30 horse and 200 foot; and others. 8. I have a firm alliance with the king of Scotland, and frequent communication with him by letters and ambassadors. 9. My intention is "meam potestatem et amicorum meorum mea propria persona consummere" against Piers Butler, the King's deputy, and the King's cities in Ireland,—Limerick, Waterford and Dublin. 10. Asks especially for artillery. 11. Will be a friend to the Emperor's friends, and enemy to his enemies, and a true subject to him. Firma, 28 April 1529, in the presence of Gonsalvo Fernandez, Denis Mitdoule (M'Donel), doctor of arts and medicine, Denis Cather, and Maurice Herly, dean. *Signed by Desmond.*

Lat., pp. 4, *modern copy from the archives of Brussels.*

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5502. News from Rome.

"Ex literis xxviij. Aprilis, ab Urbe allatis."

D. Hieronymus Privadelus held a disputation for the King on the matter of the excusator. Is glad that he accompanied such an excellent man from Bononia. In two discussions, of which one lasted for a whole hour, he imported much light and life to a half dead cause, and carried away the victory from his adversaries. He adduced new and elegant reasons, which no one can refute. The King should take him as an adviser. It is said in the city that the French king has come to an agreement with the Swiss, and that the Vaywode is making great attempts with the favor of the kings of England and France.

Lat., in Vannes' hand, p. 6.

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5503. Thos. Wynter to Cromwell.

Mr. Goodman, the bearer, has a decree from the Master of the Rolls, which only requires confirmation by my lord's Grace. Asks his assistance in procuring it. Has known him a long time, while he (Wynter) was living at Wilsdon and elsewhere, and has seen him since at Paris. Paris, iv. kal. Maias. *Signed. A few words at the end in Latin in his own hand.*

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5504. Sir Rob. Wingfield and Lord Sandys to Henry VIII.

Wrote on the 18th that they had received a verdict from the quest impanelled at Sandgate concerning the commission of Sewers, but as the verdict was not complete, postponed it until today. Wish to know the King's pleasure upon it, as to how they shall proceed with the King's tenants, considering the decay of the lands in consequence of the destruction of the sluice by the King's order six years ago. The commissions lately granted for repairs, &c. cannot now be acted on, as they enforce the presence of three, and Sir Ric. Weston and Chr. Hales are both absent. Could act on the commission of Sewers, but the expence of making the sluice and banks will be so great that they thought it best to inform him of it. Have set in order all that is to be done by his Majesty's tenants before 14 June. Reminds him of their lack of money. Calais, 29 April 1529. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

30 April. Vesp. F. xiii. 142. B. M.

5505. Robert Lord Corrson to Wolsey.

If Wolsey will make him sure of these manors he will give this house freely without asking a penny, but desires that he may retain his dwelling for three years that he may in the meanwhile buy a house in Epswyche

* "equites;" probably error for "pedites."

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ROBERT LORD CORRSON to WOLSEY—*cont.*

(Ipswich), "and to make it somewhat easy for me with a chapel to serve God in when I may not well stir to ride." Begs that when Wolsey has the whole house he may have his chambers beneath for himself, his wife and servants. Epswyche, 30 April.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Unto my lord Cardinal's good grace. *Endd.:* From my lord Courson."

5506. [SANGA] to SALVIATI.

Lettere di Principi, II. 156 b.

I am sorry you had not on 6 April received my letters of 18 and 20 March. Send your letters to me under cover to the cavalier Casal, ambassador here for the king of England.

Ital. Signature and date omitted.

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5507. W[M. BRABAZON] to CRUMWELL.

"Right worshipful master, my . . . . . you to be advertised that as . . . . . court at Herkesley, and this week . . . . . and the receipt of his rents, and so further . . . . . and Rumborow, upon whom I intend . . . . . him forward in his business as well . . . . . his surveys unto such time as your m[astership] . . . . . or otherwise send me in commandment to . . . . . every thing here to be set in a stay . . . . . leisure; and as concerning my Lord's college [at Ipswich] . . . . . by Page in what case it is, which is very w . . . . . masons, but for lack of masons it goeth not [forward] . . . . . and also there had need to have more good overseers . . . . . ." April.

Hol., p. 1, *mutilated. Add.:* To, &c., Mr. Crumwell. *Endd.*

5508. The KING'S WARDS.

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"Termino Paschæ, anno 18° R. H. VIII. — Here ensue the bills assigned by the King's grace for his wards, sold within the said term by Thomas Inglefelld and William Paulet, masters of the same.

Heref.:—Geo. ap Harry, s. and h. of Ric. ap Harry, having lands of the yearly value of 67*l.* 16*s.*, is sold to the lord of Burgavenny, "with 27*l.* land decendyd," for 240*l.* *Hants:*—Ric. s. and h. of Ric. Waller; lands, 194*l.* 9*s.* 8¾*d.*; sold to Sir Will. Paulet without land, for 133*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*. *Devon:*—Katharine, Emelyn, and Alice, ds. and hs. of Will. Crwys; lands, 12*l.* 7*s.*; sold without land to John Forde, for 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Devon:*—Geo. s. and h. of Brian Travers; lands, 14*l.* 13*s.* 8*d.*; sold to John Forde, "with 20*s.* land decendyd," for 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Berks:*—John s. and h. of Thos. Bekingham; lands 43*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; sold to Thos. Redwode, with 100*s.* land descended, for 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Dorset:*—Thos. s. and h. of John Morton; lands, 82*l.* 19*s.* 11*s.*; sold to Lucy Morton, his mother, with 20*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.* land descended, for 140*l.* *Essex:*—Wm. s. and h. of Wm. Aylove; lands, 162*l.* 14*s.* 9*d.*; sold without land to Sir John Gainsforde, for 150*l.* *Derby:*—Francis s. and h. of Roger Leche; lands, 46*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*; sold without land to Roger Hasellrig, for 46*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Somers:*—John s. and h. of Sir Walter Rodneye; lands, 240*l.*; given without land by the King to Sir Anthony Browne, "for the which his Grace might have had 400 marks."

Mich. Term, anno 19° R. H. VIII.—*Essex:*—Walter s. and h. of John Skott; lands, 43*l.*; sold to John Tyrell, with 9*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* land descended, for 50*l.* *Staff.:*—Humphrey s. and h. of Thos. Conesby; lands, 94*l.*; sold without lands to Humphrey Conesby for 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Hunts:*—Gerard s. and h. of John Foster; lands, 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; sold to Wm. More and Wm. Newboltt, with 53*s.* 4*d.* land descended, for 10*l.* *Leic.:*—Fras. s. and h. of Geo. Wilkes; lands, 17*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.*; sold to Eustace Kittley, with 10 marks land

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descended, for 40*l.* *Yorksh.*:—Elizabeth, Alice, and Agnes, ds. and hs. of Brian Chambre; lands, 7*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.*; sold to Ric. Chirderne, with 6*l.* land descended, for 8*l.* *North Wales*: John s. and h. of Harry Kemys; lands, 29*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; sold to Sir William Morgayn, with 16*l.* land descended, for 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Salop*:—John s. and h. of John Cotes; lands, 69*l.* 17*s.*; sold without land to Edward Lytillton for 80*l.* *Somers*:—Thos. s. and h. of Thos. Champnes; lands, 60*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.*; sold without land to Thos. Kyrton, for 40*l.* *Cheshire*:—Wm. s. and h. of Roger Launcelyn; lands, 22*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*; sold to Wm. More of Bankhowse, with 109*s.* 10*d.* land descended, for 30*l.* *Somers*:—Joan and Elizabeth ds. and hs. of Wm. Peverell; lands, 53*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; sold without land to Philip Parys, for 80*l.* *South Wales*:—John s. and h. of Wm. Perott; lands, 29*l.* 4*s.*; sold without land to Mores ap Harry, of the King's cellar, for 30*l.* *Lancashire*:—Thos. s. and h. of Brian Parre; lands, 25*l.* 10*s.*; sold to Matthew Standische, with 4*l.* land descended, for 20*l.* *Lancashire*:—Nich. s. and h. of Laurence Bradscha; lands, 110*s.* 8*d.*; sold without land to Mathew Standische, for 4*l.* *South Wales*:—John s. and h. of John Elyott; lands, 25*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*; sold without land to Hugh Marvyn, for 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *Lincoln*:—Robt. s. and h. of Robt. Evers; lands, 20*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; sold without land to Robt. Holtt, for 20*l.* *Yorksh.*:—Ric. Forde, "the King's ydeott;" lands, 7*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.*; sold without land to Wm. Stokedale for 20*l.* *Lincoln*:—Katharine lady Willoughby, d. and h. of lord Willoughby; lands, * * (*blank in MSS.*) * * sold to Charles duke of Suffolk, "with 40*l.* of anuetè," for 2,666*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

"Termino Paschæ, anno 20° R. H. VIII."—*Somers*:—Erasmus s. and h. of Raynolde Pyme; lands, 41*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*; sold to Thos. Elyott, with 8*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* land descended, for 80*l.* *Derb.*:—Godfrey s. and h. of Roger Foljambe; lands, 102*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*; sold to Sir Godfrey Foljambe, with 6*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* land descended, for 80*l.* *Wilts*:—John Fetipas, "the King's ydeott;" lands, 4*l.*; given by the King to George Addlame, yeoman of the guard, without land, "for the which his Grace might have had 10*l.*" *Herts*:—John s. and h. of Thos. Denny; lands, 92*l.*; sold to John Smythe without land for 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

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R. O. 2. Wards sold by Thos. Inglefield, during the time he was master of the King's wards, from Easter 18 Hen. VIII. to All Saints Day following, when he was joined by Sir Wm. Pawlet. The marriage of Elizabeth Marney, one of the daughters and heirs of John lord Marney, and of Cristian his wife, d. and h. of Sir Robt. Newboro, with 20*l.* land in hand, for her exhibition; sold to Thos. duke of Norfolk for 1,000*l.* The marriage of Katharine, one of the ds. and hs. of John lord Marney, &c., with 20*l.* of land in hand for her finding; sold to Robt. viscount Fitzwater for 1,000*l.* The marriage of John, brother to Thos. s. and h. of Sir Robt. Coton; lands, 168*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; sold to the bp. of Ely for 300*l.* The marriage of Margaret and Elizabeth ds. and hs. of Robt. Stokis; lands, 60*l.*; sold to Miles Spencer, clk., for 150*l.* The marriage of Elizabeth and Janet ds. and hs. of James Adames; lands, 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; sold to Harry ap Thomas for 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* The marriage of Wm. s. and h. of Sir Thos. Parr, with 20*l.* land; sold by my lord Cardinal to Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam and to Thos. Englefield to the use of Mawde Parr, for 1,000*l.* The marriage of Elizabeth d. and h. of Thos. Ramsey, with 56*l.* 17*s.* 7*d.* land; sold to John Wellisborne for 100*l.* The marriage of Robt. s. and h. of Sir Thomas Tyrringham; lands, 100*l.*; sold to Sir George Throkmorton, with 20*l.* land, for 300 marks. The marriage of Wm. Somer, cousin and heir of Alice Lende, s. and h. of Hugh Somer; land not exceeding the value of 5*l.*; sold to Wm. Stafford and Richard Andrewes for 20 marks. The marriage of Walter, cousin and h. of Roger Horton; lands, 65*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.*; sold to Edward Lytilton, with lands not exceeding 10*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, for 80*l.* The marriage of Humphrey s. and h. of John Prince, having lands not exceeding the value of 8*l.* 19*s.*; sold to Robt. Brayn for 40 marks. The marriage of Joan and Ellen ds. and hs. of Thomas Serjaunt; lands, 20*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; sold to Philip Parris and John Hynde for 80 marks. The marriage of Isabel, third d. and h. of Thos. Serjaunt; lands, 10*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; sold to Anthony Irby for 20*l.* The marriage of Antony s. and h. of Edward Twyneow; lands, 59*l.* 5*s.*; sold to Wm. Dawntesey, with 20*l.* land, for 200*l.*

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"Termino Paschæ anno 20° R. H. VIII." "Bills assigned by the King's grace for his wards sold within the said term by Thomas Ingelfeld and William Paulet."—*Rutland*:—Ric. s. and h. of Roger Floure; lands, 99*l.* 20*d.*; sold to John Harrington, with 7*l.* 12*d.* land descended, for 120*l.* *Linc.*:—Nich. s. and h. of Gilbert Pinchebek; lands, 27*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*; sold to John Harrington, with 40*s.* land descended, for 40*l.* *Linc.*:—Andrew s. and h. of John Assordby; lands, 23*l.* 8*s.*; sold to Andrew Byllesby, without land, for 24*l.* *Linc.*:—Wm. s. and h. of Thos. Kyddall; lands, 27*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; sold to Rob. Tirwhitt, with 11*l.* land descended, for 40*l.* *Derby*:—Walter s. and h. of Roger Horton; lands, 63*l.* 7*s.* 3¼*d.*; sold to Edward Litillton, without land, for 40*l.* *Middlesex*:—Chr. s. and h. of John Twisselton; lands, 120*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; sold to Rich. Lyster, the attorney general, without lands, for 133*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *Somers*:—Jas. s. and h. of Water Boyze; lands, 6*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*; sold to John Newport, without land, for 10*l.* *Leic.*:—Katharine, one of the ds. and hs. of Wm. Turpin; lands, 20*l.*; sold to Master Mangnus, without lands, for 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *Yorksh.*:—Harry s. of Sir Rauf Rither; lands, 192*l.* 0*s.* 0½*d.*; sold to my lord Cardinal, with 51*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* land descended, for 200 marks.

5509. LIST of TREATIES.

Vesp. C. IV. 316. B. M.

List of documents relating to the treaties between Henry VIII. and Charles V., concluded at Windsor and Calais in 1522, for the marriage of Charles with the princess Mary and for the invasion of France.

Lat., *p.* 1.

5510. GRANTS in APRIL 1529.

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GRANTS.

1. Ric. Waltynton of Fromanton, Heref., husbandman. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 1 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

2. Tho. Stert of Dorkyng, Surrey, turner. Pardon for having entered a close of Matt. Stone at Abyngeworth, Surrey, on the night of the 2 June 20 Hen.VIII., and taken away two purses belonging to the said Matthew. *Del.* Westm., 2 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 24.

3. John Griffithe, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Towyn Myryonethe, with the chapels of Tayleyllyn, Pennalle and Llanvyhangell, Bangor dioc., *vice* John Coole, clk., resigned. *Del.* Westm., 3 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 24.

5. John Pakyngton. Liberty to wear his hat in the King's presence; also exemption from taking the order of knighthood, being made baron of the Exchequer, or serjeant-at-law. *Del.* Westm., 5 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 24.

5. Wm. Barles, bachelor of decrees. Grant of the canonry or prebend in the collegiate church of Bridgenorthe, Salop, *vice* Rob. Pumsunbe. Greenw., 20 March 20 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 April.—P.S.

6. Sir John Walloppe. To be keeper of the lordship and park of Dytton, Bucks, with herbage, pannage, &c., and 3*d.* a day, granted by pat. 12 May 18 Hen.VIII. to Wm. Cary. *Del.* Westm., 6 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 20.

7. Rob. Herbert, *alias* ap Morgan, *alias* Lloyd, of Aberestwith, Cardigan, yeoman. Pardon for having, on 4 July 17 Hen.VIII., broken into a close of Tho. Poyntz, at Alderley, Glouc., and carried off certain horses belonging to the said Thomas. *Del.* Westm., 7 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

9. Hugh Mervyn. Wardship of John s. and h. of John Elyot. *Del.* Westm., 9 April 20 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 12.

13. Ric. Grey. Licence to export 400 quarters of beans. Greenwich, 13 April 20 Hen.VIII. (*No date of delivery.*)—S.B.

14. Nich. Frechevile. Custody of all possessions in Staveley Haigh, Staveley Wodthorp, Brampton and Holme, Derb., which John, Phil., Wm. and Geo. Draycotes and Rob. Cune held by grant of John Frechevile, to the use of the said John and Eliz. his wife, and the heirs of the said John; during the minority of Peter, kinsm. and h. of the said John, from 20 Oct. 20 Hen.VIII., the said possessions not exceeding the annual value of 20 marks; with the mesne profits thereof from 20 Feb. 18 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Enrolled incorrectly, and without date, in* 21 *Hen. VIII. Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 14.

14. Rob. Markes, late of Suoberton, Hants, *alias* of Southwark, London. Pardon for having abetted Rob. Taillor of Subberton and John Wayte of Borley in entering, and stealing cattle from, the

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closes of Ric. Sylvestre at Buryton, Will. Robson at Ferley, Ric. Reder at Buryton, John Turnor at Fauley, Dionisia Jonynges at Buryton, John Suggett at Lasse Abbesse, John Sellewoode at Peterfelde, Ric. Tommes of Wymeryng and Tho. Harres of Botley, all in the county of Hants. *Del.* Westm., 14 April 20 Hen.VIII. —S.B.

14. Harman Kors, shoemaker, of Suthwerke, London, native of Daventre (Deventer), in the bishopric of Ottryd (Utrecht). Denization. *Del.* Westm. 14 Apr. 20 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 31.

14. Wm. Sawer of Banwell, Somers., husbandman. Pardon for having killed John Sawer, in self-defence, on 5 Dec. 16 Hen. VIII., at Banwell. — *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 26.

14. John Powntteney, native of Normandy. Denization.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 20.

15. John Berwyke of London, *alias* of Dancaster, York, and Payneswyke, Glouc. Pardon for having, in conjunction with Wm. Seyntlowe of Gloucester and John Holland of London, broken into the houses of Joan Dene at Stoke Talnage, Oxon., on 20 Sept. 17 Hen.VIII., and murdered Wm. Pangborne. *Del.* Westm., 5 April 20 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 28.

16. John Fox of Columpton, Devon, tanner. Pardon for having, in company with Geo. Tillarde of Columpton, "toker," on 28 Aug. 18 Hen. VIII., broken into the house of John Lane at Columpton, and stolen from him 2 dozen kerseys. *Del.* Westm., 16 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

16. Wm. Jenons *alias* Jenyns, draper, of Coventry. Exemption from being made mayor, sheriff, &c., and from serving on juries. Greenwich, 2 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 April.—P.S.

17. Wm. Brown, Tho. Brown, John Baker, Wm. Tyler and Brian Gyll, soldiers of Calais. Pardon for stealing hemp from John Vengheler. *Del.* Westm., 17 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

17. Tho. Robynson of Knaysburghe (Knaresborough), saddler, and Wm. Robynson, of Skypton, York, shoemaker. Pardon for having killed Wm. Luge on 30 April 1 Hen. VIII., at Bysshopmu[n]kton, York, West Riding. *Del.* Westm., 17 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

20. Rog. Fenwyke of Hephell, Northumb. Pardon for the murder of Geo. Dichand, whom the said Roger and Clementius Shaftowe, of the said co., yeoman, wounded at Rothberre, Northumb., on 15 March 16 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 32.

20. John Jenour, Rob. Norwiche, serjeant-at-law, John Spelman, serjeant-at-law, Humph. Broun, serjeant-at-law, Tho. Bonham, Phil. Paris, Rob. Mordaunt, John Fyncham of Fyncham, Franc. Moundeford, Rob. Wrothe, Rob. Holdiche, John Frevyle, Tho. Derham, jun., Rob. Jenour, Ric. Heygham, Simon Fyncham, Ric. Lyndesell and Ric. Bachecroft. Pardon of all alienations and acquisitions, without licence, of the manor of Alferston, called the manor of Bigoodes, Essex, and of all entries thereupon, and upon certain lands in Magna Donmowe *alias* Chepyng Donmowe, Essex —(*Signed bill undated.*)—*Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 37.

20. Wm. Skipwith. Custody of lands in Southsomercottes, Garnetthorpe, Fullersthorpe, Northsomercottes, Wynthorpe and Brugh-in-le-Marshe, late belonging to John Langholme; also wardship of Humphrey s. and h. of the said John. *Del.* Westm., 20 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

21. Laurence Elyot, Geo. Tadlow, haberdasher, of London, and Edmund Bonethen, vintner, of London. Licence to import 50 "great gross of caps and 600 lb. of ribands." *Del.* Westm., 21 April 20 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

21. Sir Anth. Fitzherbert, Ric. Lister, attorney general, Sir Ralph Fenwik and Rob. Colyngwood. Commission to survey the lands in Northumberland belonging to John s. and h. of Henry Wothryngton, and to make report thereon as to the decayed and waste parts, &c. *Teste* 21 April anno 20.

ii. Certain articles to be enquired into, and certificate to be made according to the above commission.—P.S.

21. John de la Hay, chaplain, native of Normandy. Denization.—*Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 17.

UNDATED, 20 HEN. VIII.

Commissions of the Peace.

Beds: Tho. card. of York, J. bp. of Lincoln, Tho. duke of Norfolk, Wm. prior of St. John's of Jerusalem, Sir Rob. Brudenell, Sir Ric. Broke, Sir Hen. Grey, Sir John Mordaunt, Sir Wm. Gascoign, Sir Fras. Bryan, Sir John Seynt, Sir Edm. Bray, Sir John Dyve, Sir Mich. Fissher, Sir Tho. Rotheram, Tho. Cade, clk., Walt. Luke, Wm. Marsshall, Tho. Fitzhugh, Nich. Hardyng, Peter Baron, Simon Fitz and Geo. Akworth.

Devon: Tho. card. of York, J. bp. of Exeter, John Bourchier lord Fitzwaren, John lord Souche, Sir John Fitzjames, Wm. Shelley, Sir Wm. Courtenay, Sir Tho. Denys, Sir Edw. Pomerey, Sir Wm. Carewe, Sir Tho. Stukeley, John Rowe, John Fulforde, Phil. Champernon, John Gilbert, Barth. Fortescue, John Chamounde, And. Hillarsden, Baldwin Malett, John Kayleway, Ric. Hals, Phil. Fulford, Humph. Collys, Hugh Pollerd, Ric. Yerd, Wm. Honychurche and John Whiddon.

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Ric. Page, gent. of the Privy Chamber. Annuity of 100*l.* out of the issues of the possessions of Tho. earl of Derby; during the minority of Edw. earl of Derby, s. and h. of the said Thomas.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 24.

John Worth. Custody of the possessions of Sir John Basset, dec., during minority of John Basset, s. and h. of the said John; with wardship of the said heir.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 23.

Jas. Strangways of Ornesby, York. Exemption from serving on juries, &c.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 24.

Hen. Norreys, squire of the Body and gent. of the Privy Chamber. Annuity of 100*l.* out of the issues of the possessions of Tho. late earl of Derby; during the minority of Edw. earl of Derby, s. and h. of the said Thomas.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 24.

Anth. Morys of Calais, native of Alexandria de la Paye, in Lombardy. Denization. —S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 15 *and* 22.

Sir John Trevylyan. Grant of the advowson of the deanery and collegiate church of St. Burin the Virgin, Cornw.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

Wm. Coke. Lease of a toft called Rowcroft, and a virgate of land in Priseley, in the lordship of Cleobery Mortymer, parcel of the lands late of the earl of March, Salop; for 21 years, at the annual rent of 13*s.* 8*d.*, and 10*s.* of increase.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

Wm. Coke of West-angmeryng, Sussex, husbandman. Pardon for having, on 16 Oct. 19 Hen. VIII., broken into a close at Clapham, Sussex, and carried off a ram belonging to John Wassher.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 14.

Geo. Wenwright, chaplain. Presentation to the rectory of the parish church of Chetton, Heref. dioc., void by resignation.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

John Blenerhayset. Wardship of Geo. s. and h. of Edm. Lucy, dec.—S.B. *Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 14.

John Hodges of Allnerton, Somers, husbandman. Pardon for having, on 14 Oct. 18 Hen. VIII., stolen a grey horse belonging to John Clarke at Wodmore, Somers; also for stealing a horse belonging to Ric. Chalmer at Wynescombe, Somers, on 24 May 19 Hen. VIII., in conjunction with Ric. Benson of Alrington, Somers.—*Pat.* 20 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 21.

John Cheyne, ironmonger, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Anth. Ughtred. *Signed by Ughtred.*—P.S.

Wm. Holme of Cheryton, Devon. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Anth. Ughtred.—P.S.

Roger Radclyff, gentleman usher of the Chamber. To be bailiff of the lordship of Hatton, Warw., and keeper of Haseley park, in the same county, *vice* Sir Wm. Compton. —S.B.

John Broker, innholder, of Guildford, Surrey. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Anth. Ughtred.—P.S.

John Newyngton, mercer, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wyngfild.—S.B.

Frances Aylmere, servant of princess Mary. Annuity of 20*l.*—S.B.

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23. Tho. Kyrton. Wardship of Thos. s. and h. of Thos. Champnes. *Del.* Westm., 23 April 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

26. Sir John, and Simon Dygby, his son. To be bailiffs, in survivorship, of the manor of Barrodon, Rutl., with 4*d.* a day fees. The said Sir John and Simon held the office, without fees, from 16 Hen. VII. to 11 Hen. VIII., for which they are to receive payment. Also an annuity, in survivorship, of 4*d.* a day out of the issues of the above manor. *Del.* Westm., 26 April 21 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

26. Lancelot Lother. Lease of the toll, market and fairs, and the water-mill called Newmylle, in the lordship of Wrexham, parcel of the lordship of Bromefeld, marches of Wales, for 21 years from Mich. 1530, on the expiration of the lease he holds, at 10*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* annually for the toll, 8*l.* for the mill, and 40*s.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 26 April 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 14.

26. Sir William Fitzwilliam, treasurer of the Household. Lease of the winter agistment of Haitfeld Park, with the coneys there; also the fishery of Braythmere, in the lordship of Hathfeld and Thorne, parcel of the duchy of York, beyond Trent; for 21 years; at 6*l.* 2*s.* for the agistment, and 12*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* for the fishery, &c., and 20*s.* anew approved. *Del.* Westm., 26 April 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 14.

27. Wm. Wylbram, clk. Wardship of Ric. s. and h. of Sir Ralph Egerton. *Del.* Westm., 27 April 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 11.

27. John Digby. Livery of Lands as s. and h. of Rosa Perwich, late wife of Wm. Dygby, father of the said John, and kinsman and h. of Wm. Perwiche and Goditha his wife, viz., s. and h. of the said Rosa, daughter of the said Wm. and Goditha, and kinsman and heir of Ric. Perwyche, viz., son of the said Rosa, daughter of the said Wm. s. of the said Ric. Perwych. *Del.* Westm., 27 April 21 Hen. VIII. — S.B. *Pat. p.* 1. *m.* 21.

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27. Ric. Mungeam, draper, of London, Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Windsor, 15 March 20 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 27 April [21 Hen. VIII.?]—P.S.

28. Sir Wm. Essex. Lease of a messuage in Buckland, situate in Overton Burton, Berks, late of the lands of Sir Francis Lovell, for 21 years, at 10*s.* annually, and 40*d.* newly approved. *Teste* 28 April 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 1.

28. Wm. Colman, gentleman of the chapel. Presentation to the corrody in the monastery of Coxhall, Essex, vacated by the resignation of Henry Stephenson. Greenwich, 24 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 April.—P.S.

28. Thos. Robyns. Lease, upon the death of Wm. West, present lessee for life, of 29 "ffatts" of saltwater and 3 salt pits otherwise called "seales," with 3 leaden "cribbles," &c. in Droitwich, Worc., parcel of the lands of the late earl of Warwick; also liberty to take wood from Owood; for 21 years, at 15*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*, and 26*s.* 8*d.* of increase, payable to the bailiff of Wich and Sallewarp, &c. *Del.* Westm., 28 April 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 14.

5511. The Prior of Cockesford.

R.O. Complaint of the prior of Cockesforde against the bishop of Norwich and the prior of Walsingham.

In the week before the Purification of Our Lady, while the Prior was in London about the payment of the King's money, the Bishop took away the convent seal, treasure and plate; after his return put him in prison, and kept him there till the Decollation of St. John, four weeks and six days; disregarded an inhibition procured by the Prior from Wolsey in Chancery; compelled him to swear to certain articles which it was unlawful for any man to swear to, &c. The prior of Walsingham and canon Thos. Rawlyns persuaded two of the brethren to leave the house without permission; rescued one of his canons, whom he had taken for stealing a horse, complained of him to the justices as having committed felony; sent servants to his house, who sealed up his barn doors, and ordered his threshers to leave off working; insisted on searching the chamber of a poor woman, "an ancras," where no man or woman had been for eight years, &c.

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5512. Campeggio's Mission.

Le Grand, III. 306. Yesterday there came an Englishman with a safe-conduct from Francis to go to Spain, "Angleterre donné à la Bourdaziere," who, after having entertained him well, told me that he was going to the Emperor, and that he expected news, of which he would be very glad, viz., that there would be no divorce between the king and queen of England, and that the Pope's legate, Campeggio, had served him well,—that all the princes and merchants of England were very glad of it, considering it a thing that touched the Emperor's honor,—that every one saw it proceeded from the cardinal of York, who was not in so much credit as he used to be,—that the king of England had been so enraged against him that he had not presented himself as Chancellor at the Feast of St. George, and that all the English showed great favor to Campeggio. But I have long known the said Campeggio to be a very bad Frenchman, and, seeing that this fool has shown me so much of it, you gentlemen had better look to it. For he told me there was also coming from England another, named Don Diego de Mendoza, with a safe-conduct, and that he is to pass this way in eight or ten days. You will consider if it is time to look to your government, and I think you had better not withhold their pay from the 1,200 men there, as has been done formerly. I sent you by last post the copy of the proposition made by the Emperor and cortez of Barcelona. Yesterday, there embarked at Collievre 500 Frenchmen taken in Roussillon, whom they are bringing in four galleys to Barcelona.

Fr. Headed: "Avertissement de Mr. de Clermont."

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Cal. D. XI. 2. B. M. 2. Extract from the preceding.
Mutilated, p. 1. *Endd.:* [Double] dung article de lettre escripte a Mons. le Grant Maistre.

Cal. D. XI. 79. B. M. 3. Another copy of the same extract.
Mutilated, p. 1. *Endd.:* Double dung article que lon escript a Mons. le Grant Maistre.

1 May. R. O. **5513.** JOHN DU BELLAY, BISHOP OF BAYONNE, to WOLSEY.

Thanks him for his letters, which were brought by his brother. Wishes he had some opportunity of repaying his kindness. Will go to Italy with all haste, as soon as they hear what John Joachim has done with the Pope. The King and his mother think he should wait for his letters to prepare him for attacking a man against whom all artifices should be used. Will write again when he leaves. Amboise, 1 May.

Hol., Lat., pp. 2. *Add.:* Ill., &c., card. Ebor. legato ac cancellario, &c.

1 May. Cal. D. XI. 87. B.M. **5514.** WILLIAM DU BELLAY, LORD OF LANGEAIS, to WOLSEY.

* * * "summam ac . . . . . vero regi meo et Chr^{mæ} ma[tri suæ] . . . . . vestro semper uti, expectandum mihi . . . . . tutis ac firmatis consiliis eandem D. V. sub . . . . . tum vel statutum, et quæ consecuta existimavero et q . . . . . aretur, sed cum longior hominis expectatio diu solicitum . . . . . habuisset, statuit adventum ejus aliqua ser. Regis vestri saluta . . . . . simul D. V. R^{mam} de rerum communium statu toto admonere, cujus n . . . . . mihi quum demandasset, nolui officio in ea re meo deesse, tametsi sat[is scio] nihil aut hic actum per eum esse, aut aliunde allatum, quod non orato[ribus] vestris plenissime esset communicatum. Igitur sic habeat R^{ma} D. V. post . . . . . meum de omnibus rebus quas vel literis significandas regi meo vel dece . . . . . istinc a vobis coram illi exponendas mandaverat, quum relatum qui . . . . . haud semel fuerit, multa etiam in præsentem necessitudinem præpar . . . . . habitus militum delectus, et nostratium et sociorum, et auxiliarium . . . . . Germanorum: tum successor mihi ad vos designatus: adornata fratris [mei ad] pontificem profectio; tamen omnia in adventum Rossellii esse rejecta, et . . . . . hos fines verti, ut ita demum executioni demandetur, si consilium vob[is] non displicuerit, utque nisi vos Chr. Rex et serenissima mater, (ubi ratio-[nem] suam explicuerint) in sententiam adduxerint suam, parendum omnino statu . . . . . fidelissimis atque amantissimis consiliis vestris, quorum in authoritate sua o . . . . . consilia, curam, cogitationem, mentem denique omnem fixerint atque locaverint, ... totos illis commendarint atque tradiderint. Ac proinde illam partem literarum mearum quibus ex Britannia significaram regi meo, nonnihil apud vos inje[ctum] esse suspicionis ex ista Gulielmi Barrensis in Hispaniam profectione, in . . . . . partem accepta hic fuerit, non possum in D. V. R^{mæ} sinum non exponer[e]. Postquam huc applicui statim ex fratre meo intellexi Regem meum et s[erenissimam matrem ejus] * * *
eum se debere profitent . . . . . .
carunt, vel infidi vel certe ing[rati] . . . . . ur.
Feci igitur omnia ut illis probarem . . . . . [ani]mo
ejus depulsam esse, opera maxime ac veluti f . . . . . .
quæ quidem fidem suam ac existimationem velut obside[m] . . . . . .
obligasset, perpetuæ ac sinceræ hujus regis mei erga ipsum a[micitia] . . . .
quæ nulla unquam occasione, aut adversariorum astutia, everti aut lab[efieri]

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possit. Recreavit ea confirmatio non parum illorum animos et sunt . . . . . illum candorem D. V. R^mæ indefessumque animi robur in horum reg[um] amore alendo mirifice exosculati. Et nunc in eo sunt in quo adhuc . . . . . constituta per vos amicitia assidue fuerunt, ut tum demum se feli[ces] ac beatos factum iri existiment, quum aliquid acciderit quo eam anim[i] propensionem vel devotionem potius, quam tum erga serenissimum istu[m] ac candidissimum regem, tum erga D. V. illustrissimam et reverendissi[mam] gerunt, insigni aliquo exemplo reddere possint testatissimam; id quod conse[cuturos] eos spero, si quacumque ope vel consilio adjuvare negotium possint, in quod . . . . . ipsum totum mente et animo incumbere intelligunt, quod si ad vos deince[ps] rumores quidam hujusmodi, sicut varii ita vanissimi deferantur, nihil . . . . . dubie sibi persuadeat serenissimus idemque candidissimus rex vester translat . . . . . eos esse et hostium commenta quibus velint hanc sinceram amicitiam improbæ . . . . . illorum cupiditati velut firmum propugnaculum oppositam (quum vi aperta neq[ueant] evertere) cuniculis istis suffodere ac labefactare. Sed hæc satis, fortassis etia[m] . . . . . ambitiosius quam necesse fuit. Venio ad reliqua. E Germania nuntiavit cadu[ceator] qui literas regis mei pertulerat ad eos principes qui Spiram ad publicum con[ventum] coierant, frendentem ac frementem Ferdinandum in eo conventu repulsam . . . . . esse passum, in quem tamen qua spe et opinione descenderat probe no . . . . . .
* * * is tum p . . . . . .
. . . . . atores certi ac fidi clam a r . . . . . .
. . . . . Ferdinando omnia illic infestissima redd . . . . . .
. . . . um confido, facile ut illis probetur quid ex . . . . . .
. . . . pturi: id vero cujusmodi futurum sit, et quid Rex . . . . . .
[mo]liatur (quod omnino est maximum, et momenti ad res Ces[aris] gravissimi ac certissimi) plane ex eo intelliget D. V. R^ma quæ ist . . . . . vos orator destinabitur: nam id literis committere periculo non vac[at. Quod] ad Cæsaris in Italiam trajectum attinet, incertum mihi videtur q[uomodo res] tandem evasura sit, tamen totus in eo apparatu versatur; de te[mpore] trajectionis nihil certi puto constitutum. Utcumque auxilia Germano[rum] quæ Rex meus conscribi curavit tuto huc ad militum duodecim mili[a] . . . . transierunt; et jam in Campania Belgica instructissimi conspiciuntur . . . . . si semel, (uti V. D. R^mæ e re fore visum est,) vires quas cum exerci[tu] Italico conjunxerint, iis additis cataphrattis, qui recens in supplementum . . . . . non erit, Deo duce, quare vel Pontifex vel universa Italia sibi putet . . . . . Cæsare timendum: maxime quum nulla sit illi spes relicta Germano[rum] in Italiam portandorum: sed hæc malo vel ab oratoribus vestris, vel a . . . . . regio qui (ut dixi) ad vos brevi dimittendus est, quam litteris meis ad v[os] perferri, quæ sic spero vestros animos delectaturæ sunt, ut sitis dilige[ntes] . . . . . Regis mei in iis providendis rebus quæ consiliis atque opibus vestris nitunt[ur] . . . . . mirum in modum probaturi. Reliquum est ut me eidem Ill^mæ et R^mæ dominati[oni] vestræ humillime commendem, quam Optimus Maximus diu nobis et reipublicæ Christianæ servet . . . . . incolumem. Ex Ambasia, 1 Maii.

"Scriptis jam literis venerunt a San Paulo quibus jubet regem Christ[ianissimum] in optima spe rerum Italicarum esse, se cum florenti exercitu Padum tra . . . . . hostium copias quæ levioribus aliquot præliis nostris lacessendo tent . . ." * * * *Signed.*

Mutilated.

1 May. R. O. **5515.** FRANCIS I.

"Sums of money paid to the French king."

At Amyas, 25 August 19 Hen. VIII. (1527), 146,666 cr. of the sun, at 4*s.* 6*d.* the crown=32,999*l.* 17*s.* 0*d.*, as appears by two acquittances signed and sealed by Francis. By the hands of the Great Master, 11 Nov. 19 Hen. VIII.,

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64,444 cr.=14,499*l.* 18*s.* 0*d.* By the bp. of Bayonne, 17 Nov. 20 Hen.VIII. (1528), 196,800 cr. = 44,280*l.* "Paid to him in the King's pension," due 1 May 21 Hen.VIII., 47,368 cr. = 10,657*l.* 16*s.* 0*d.* "Paid to him more in a jewel," 50,000 cr. of gold at 4*s.* = 10,000*l.* Total, 112,437*l.* 11*s.*; whereof paid out of the King's coffers, 49,148*l.* 11*s.* 0*d.*, and in the King's pensions, with 50,000 cr. in a jewel, 63,289*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

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S. B. 2. Acknowledgment of the receipt of 47,368 crowns of the sun, and 16*s.* of Tours, from the king of France at Calais. Westminster, 1 May 1529.

5516. MONEY.

R. O. "A declaration of 2,000*l.* sterling in angels."

Received as before, 2,000*l.*—Paid to one Babington for bringing it, 10*l.* To Norres, for the King's use, 30 April 20 Hen.VIII. (1528), 500*l.* For jewels bought by the King, 419*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.* To my lord Sands, by way of prest, 3 May, 200*l.* To Sir Edw. Nevell, in prest, 31 May, 40*l.* To Thos. Warde, harbinger, for repairs at Windsor, 6 June, 120*l.* To ———, jeweller, 9 June, for two pair of blue beads like Turkeseys, "with gaudies and small bedestones of gold," 22*l.* 10*s.* To Thos. Warde, 18 Aug., for the finishing of the new works at Windsor, 100*l.* Taken out of the same bag, 100 angels = 37*l.* 10*s.* To John Rolte, 28 Aug., for the buildings at Eltham, 200*l.* To Peter Romaynes, 17 Dec., for jewels, 198*l.* To Chr. Harrault, jeweller, the same day, 140*l.* 5*s.* Balance, 12*l.* 1*s.* 2*d.*

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R. O. 2. A declaration of 1,000*l.* or 4,615 cr., "with the which my master was charged."

Paid to Basing, by the King's command, 3,555 cr. 2*s.* 6*d.* To Guill'm Otene, for jewels, 641 cr. To Anthony de Bulleyn, for cages, birds, &c., 140 cr. To Alart Plymmer, for jewels bought at Richmond, 201 cr. "And so my master rests in the King's debt," 77cr. 2*s.*

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R. O. 3. "A declaration for Master Henry Norrys," of the receipt of 5,234 cr. and 4*d.* in silver, from the King, and of 4,555 cr. received of Thos. Alford, (=1,062*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*) Total, at 4*s.* 8*d.* the crown, 2,284*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*; of which he has paid Brian Tuke 1,743*l.* 8*s.* 0*d.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

2 May. **5517.** ——— to ———.

R. O. As to the Emperor's coming to Italy, letters have arrived from Andrea Doria, dated in March, stating that he had been commissioned by the Emperor to convey to him 10 great ships and some captains of galleys, which is considered a proof of his intention. Nevertheless letters from Spain of the 7 April state that affairs are not in a condition to admit of his crossing, —that he had only provided 500 *cantara* of biscuit, which is nothing for an armada. Some think his coming will have to be deferred in consequence of the dearness of corn; others expect him in June. The master of the household leaves in four days. Messer Andrea has sent him a *bergantino*, which arrived the other day at Civita Vecchia. Messer Andrea spoke of leaving Genoa on the 10 May; the abbot de Negri, who has come from him, says on the 15th. The Pope (*nostro Signore*) is very ill, cannot get back his color, eats nothing, and only drinks *il pesto*, and takes a little potage. He has been troubled for three days with pains in the body. Rome, 2 May 1529.

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4 May. **5518.** STEVEN GARDINER to HENRY VIII.
R. O.

Though they have done the best they could to obtain from the Pope the accomplishment of the King's desires, they have not prevailed, but now see it called in question whether the authority given to the Legates shall be revoked. What has been done will be found in their common letters to Wolsey. Thinks that was moved only as a stop to their other suits, and is not earnestly meant. Although the Queen is mentioned in that matter as though she had a proctor, the Pope, two days before, said that the Emperor had informed him that the Queen would do nothing in suing or speaking for the delay of this matter but as the King commanded her, and that the Emperor would therefore look more earnestly to the cause himself. Was much surprised, and thought he spake it as though he wished them to inform the King of it. Noted it the more as the King had told him to inquire who was the Queen's proctor. Does not know whether the Pope heard this from Spain or England. It seemed strange to read in Campeggio's letters that neither he nor Campanus had made any promise to the King on the Pope's behalf, except in general terms, considering that Gardiner was sent on these special terms, *de plenitudine potestatis*, in the hope that the Pope would use that power in the King's cause; which failing, the King will remember that Wolman, Bel and Gardiner showed his Highness that such things as were to be demanded were not impetrable.

Hopes the King will accept his good will in good part. Is sorry to see his Highness's cause so handled. The King has not been handled according to his merits by the Pope or some other; it becomes not Gardiner to arrect the blame certainly to any man, and the Pope shows Campeggio's letters for his discharge. The King can judge of this better than he can write. Wishes to know what to do further.

The Pope is content to grant the bulls, saving in that matter, *de animadversione in clericos*, about which he would consult with card. SS. Quatuor. He wishes he could grant as easily the other petitions, which he knows the King has more at heart, "adding, by and by, that he would, for the wealth of Christendom, the Queen were in her grave; and, as he thought, the Emperor would be thereof most glad of all; saying also that he thought, like as the Emperor hath destroyed the temporalties of the Church, so shall she be the cause of the destruction of the spiritualties; making exclamation of his misfortune in whose person these two adversities should chance, and upon the occasion of that family."

When they speak with him, think they will have all things, but in the end his Council deny all, because card. SS. Quatuor has been sick, and is every other day sickly. Usually when the Cardinal is whole the Pope is sick. Rome, 4 May.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

5 May. **5519.** FRANCIS BRIAN to HENRY VIII.
R. O.
St. P. VII. 169.

Since my last of the 21st, we have, according to your commandment by Alysaunder, opened all to the Pope, first by fair means and then by foul; but neither fair nor foul will serve, as you will see by our letter to the Cardinal. You will see by our common letters, a copy of which we send, in what situation we are. Master Stevens, in the presence of the Pope, so answered for your Grace that he made the Pope ashamed of his own deeds, who would have excused the cause as best he could. As for what you write to us, that Campeggio is your servant, and will do what he can for you, these are fair words only because he wishes to have the bishopric of Durham. He has written here to the Pope to say that neither he nor Francis Campanys ever made any special promise to your Grace, but in general words, and he bids the Pope trust to it, as the Pope might be sure of him. What-

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ever they tell you the Pope will do for you is "the glose and not the text." This is true, for the Pope showed the letter to Master Stevens and Master Peter (Vannes). If the Cardinal feels aggrieved, or any other, let him kick; for I do it not of malice, but according to my duty. I could tell you more of my mind in an hour's talking than I could write in a week, and shall be glad to come home, as I can do you here no service. "I dare not write unto my cousin Anne the truth of this matter, because I do not know your Grace's pleasure whether I shall so do or no; wherefore, if she be angry with me, I most humbly desire your Grace to make mine excuse. I have referred to her in her letter all the news to your Grace, so your Grace may use her in this as ye shall think best." Rome, 5 May. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

5 May. **5520.** The PRIOR and CONVENT OF NOTTLEY, Linc. dioc.

Congé d'élire upon the death of Robert Brice, abbot. Westm., 5 May.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 1.

P. S. 2. Petition for the above, presented by Thos. Caversham and William Aylesbury, canons. 28 April 1529.

6 May. **5521.** LOUISA OF SAVOY to WOLSEY.

Cal. E. I. 22. B. M. Credence for her servant the sieur de Savonnieres. Romorentin, 6 May. *Signed.*

Fr., mutilated, p. 1. *Add.:* "A mons. le [Car]dinal mon filz et bon amy."

7 May. Rym. XIV. 296. **5522.** The PRIOR and CONVENT OF ST. PETER, CHERTSEY, Winc. dioc.

Congé d'élire upon the resignation of John Parker, abbot. Westm., 7 May.*

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 1.

P. S. 2. Petition for the above. 5 May 1529.

5523. [WOLSEY] to GARDINER, BRIAN, CASALE and VANNES.

Vit. B. XI. 126. B. M. Burnet, IV. Col. 23. The King has received your letters by Thadeus, and I have received yours of the 28th and 29th March, and of the 8th, 19th, 20th and 21st of April, to myself, concerning your conferences, and thank you for your service and dexterity. The King, although your desires have not taken effect, receives your services with thankfulness, and does not attribute to you any blame. He perceives that whatever solicitations have been made to the Pope for the furtherance of his cause depend entirely upon the Emperor's will, whom the Pope dare not oppose. The Emperor, as appears by sundry letters, has interposed his power unfavorably to the King. The King, finding the Pope's ingratitude, is resolved to dissemble with him, and to proceed here on his cause by virtue of the commission granted to me and Campeggio. He is resolved to revoke all his ambassadors except Sir Gregory. Therefore Gardiner and Bryan are to return; and had it not been for Gardiner's absence, whose services are so much required, he would have commenced his process before this Whitsuntide. You are to obtain, as best you can, the amplification of the commission, using all possible dexterity, advertising the Pope how sorry the King is that whereas he expected to find in him a fast and loving

* Rymer inaccurately appends the date of Westminster, 2 June, which is that of the royal assent immediately following upon the roll.

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friend, he studies more to please the Emperor, who is the common enemy of Christendom, than the King; which is not the way to preserve friendship. Still, as the King is willing to trust him to the utmost, he hopes that the Pope will prove the love he has always professed for him, and declare by his acts the uttermost of his intent and dispositions that you, Gardiner and Brian, may not return empty-handed. You shall also urge the grief of myself and Campeggio in being thus disappointed, entreating the Pope as from myself to weigh well the great exigencies of the case. Leaving everything else, your whole efforts are to return to the security and amplification of the process to take place here. I send you a copy of the pollicitation which you have transmitted, with notes in the margin showing where it is ineffectual, desiring you to get it devised anew and regranted with additions; telling the Pope that it was so much defaced and injured by wet and carriage as that it is detained by him to whom you directed it, and you are likely to be blamed unless you get another; and you, Mr. Stephen, shall promise to write it out afresh, according to the best of your remembrance, inserting "other pregnant, fat and available words as is possible."

I advertise you that the King has received fresh letters out of Spain in answer to those sent by Curzon for exhibition of the original breve. The letters are of sundry dates, the last of the 21st of April, when the Emperor was at Saragossa. He wishes to make a demonstration of his coming to Italy, but we hear that he is wholly unprepared. He is endeavoring to sow dissension between this Court and France; but you may tell the Pope he will not succeed, and that the French king is resolved on war with the Emperor, and he will be assisted by a body of men under the duke of Suffolk, who is now sent to France. This may possibly shake his confidence in the Emperor. The Emperor refuses to send the brief to England, but makes show of sending it to Rome, as he would have the cause decided there. I send you a copy of it, with some remarks indicating the manifest proof of forgery, especially in reference to the dates. This matter will require secresy.*

f. 135. The King hears that the Emperor's ambassador has an authentic copy of the brief, and that on the proof of any falsity the original might be altered and a new one forged; he desires them therefore to dissemble their knowledge of the error in the date, and to endeavour, either by the Pope, or some other secret means, to get a sight of the copy, and to get an authentic copy made, which Gardiner and Brian shall bring over with them. This would prevent the alteration of the original, or a new forgery. Gardiner and Brian are to bring with them everything they have obtained. Vannes will remain till their arrival in England, that he also may have a color to desire the Pope not to let him return *vacuis manibus.*

Meantime Vannes and Casale must take special care to prevent the advocation of the cause, the revocation of the commission, inhibition, recusation, or any other act that may delay proceedings here. They must consult the lawyers they have retained about the invalidation of the brief, putting the proofs thereof in an authentic form. The Emperor, knowing that the King is trying to prove the falsity of the brief, will probably, relying upon the Pope's friendship, send it to Rome, to have the matter decided there, by having a transumpt made by the Pope or other person by his command, and thus prevent the legates from giving sentence. They must look out for this, and tell the Pope that although he has refused to decree the brief false, the English ambassadors will not consent to such a transumpt, but will protest accordingly, by means of an authentic instrument.

Wishes Gardiner and Brian to bring back with them the bulls and expeditions for the King's colleges and his, unless obtaining them would cause much delay.

Draft, pp. 23.

* Thus far the document is printed by Burne

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7 May. **5524.** JOHN CASALE to WOLSEY.

R. O. Has received his letters and the King's, and has shown them to the Signory. Does not write of what he has done here, as the courier is not going straight to France, but only to the count of St. Pôl. Will write at length when he finds a sure messenger. The castle of Mortaria, 24 miles from Milan, has surrendered to St. Pôl, so that the road into France is now safe. The Signory wishes their army to be led across the Adda to besiege Milan, which has been reinforced by 1,500 foot. The duke of Urbino left yesterday for the army. Things are going on well in Apulia. The enemy are besieging Monopolis without success, as Wolsey will see from his brother's letters. The Signory has increased his pay for a levy of infantry, besides the 100 horse whom he has had for some time. This news came by the galley which brought the sons of the prince of Melphia, whom he is sending to pledge his faith to the French king. The duke of Ferrara is expected, having been detained by the illness of his son. Encloses copies of the letters of his brother the knight, from Rome, and of the ambassador of the marquis of Mantua from Spain. The ambassador himself came to Mantua three days ago, having come from Barcelona in seven days. Will hear everything from him, as he is a friend. Letters have just arrived from Constantinople, dated a fortnight before, mentioning the intended invasion of Hungary by the Turk. Venice, 7 May 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2, *mutilated. Add. Endd.*

7 May. **5525.** JOHN CASALE, the Prothonotary, to the COUNT GUIDO RANGONE.

R. O. Writes on behalf of Alphonso Galante, a Neapolitan who was detained in the kingdom, and tortured on account of suspicions which have not been proved. He was sent hither in custody. Letters in his behalf to the Signory, obtained from his Excellency by the count of St. Pôl, were intercepted; and Mons. d'Avaranges, the ambassador here, would not act on them.

Sends certain information which he wishes forwarded to the ambassador of the King in France. Venice, 7 May 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

Ital., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

7 May. **5526.** WILLIAM CAPON to CROMWELL.

R. O. He and Brabason have kept courts at Faltynham, Wormyngford, Horkysley, Wyks, Dodneshe and Chattisham. Brabason has been very diligent in keeping them, and in measuring the lands belonging to the College. On their way home by Hyntilsham, viewed the ruin of the houses on the farm, and the waste of the woods, done by Thos. Veysy, the farmer. Has taken them for the use of the college, and told him to meddle with them no more; but he refused to obey.

Wishes for an injunction against him. Asks him to reckon with the priest who holds the chantorship of Southampton, and owes for half a year. Gipswiche, 7 May. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Thoms. Crumwell. *Endd.:* W. Capon, priest.

8 May. **5527.** For HUGH WODEHOUS.

S. B. To be marshal of the King's minstrels, with 4½*d.* a day, and 10 marks
Rym. XIV. 291. a year, *vice* John Gylmyn. *Del.* Westm., 8 May 21 Hen. VIII.

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8 May. **5528.** [SANGA] to CARDINAL SALVIATI.

Lettere di Principi, II. 161 b.

Three days ago I sent you duplicates of my letters of the 1st by a messenger who was despatched hence by the English ambassadors. Italian news. Rome, 8 May 1529.

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9 May. **5529.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 215. B. M.

The English ambassadors press the Pope hard to declare the brief a forgery, and his Holiness has signified to me his desire that the protest should be made. Is informed, both by the archbishop of Capua, Salviati, cardinals Tortosa, S. Crucis, and Cæsarinus, that the Pope had said to them that the English were incessantly coming upon the subject (*andaban remolinando*), and that it was needful to stand with averted eyes.

I have drawn up the protest, and communicated it to Andrea del Burgo, but I have omitted something of what was put in it, in order not to irritate the king of England to the prejudice of the Queen. Nevertheless, I have taken care not to annoy the Pope more. I desired the Pope to give me a notary of the chamber. He said if I would let him choose one, he would comply, but he was afraid of what others would say. Afterwards he sent to me to say he thought better not to give me one, but that I should apply to the Chamberlain. The same day he sent to me by Sanga to say that it was better the protest should not be made to him, except when he should be in *signatura*, and the party present.

I was afraid they would delay the *signatura*, as they had already delayed it three or four months, and said I could not wait, for two causes, viz., because a messenger was about to leave, and I required to inform the Emperor; and, moreover, Andrea del Burgo's concurrence was required, who had not recovered from his gout; and as to the notary, if his Holiness did not think it right to give me one, as he had promised, I would find one for myself, as I only desired that he should be a notary of the Chamber, out of respect to his Holiness. Another day Sanga returned, and said the Pope was content that I should do it whenever I pleased, and wished to know what the protest contained. I accordingly read it to him, word for word, and he quite approved of it. That same day Andrea del Burgo was at the palace, and arranged to be with the Pope in the morning. At last we went there together, along with many Spaniards, when the Pope told us he was obliged to give us rather a harsh answer, but that need not trouble us until we had published the protest. Seeing what he was driving at, I said to him, "Holy Father, we will do so; help us with justice that we may be able to help ourselves." And thereupon entered Alonzo de Cuevas as notary, and Marradas and Jacobo Salviati as witnesses, and the act was made as your Majesty will see.

The same day I found two spies in the palace after dinner, and I learned that the ambassadors of England had come, and held an interview with the Pope, from which they came away very angry and bullying.

The other day the Pope told me that they used a threatening tone, saying that if the Queen did not consider England a safe place, as little did they hold Rome and the Pope to be safe, on account of your army. I said their wisdom was apparent, when on one side they threatened, and on the other said that we were not secure; and as for what touched his Holiness, they had told him sufficiently often that they wanted him to remove to Avignon, and that but for the Pope's wisdom they would have made him commit every day a thousand errors. The Pope said to me he would have a *signatura* another day, and he sent to me to say that I should intimate the *signatura* and the commission to the English ambassadors, and give them a copy of the commission. I answered that I did not want anything with the English ambas-

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sadors or with the King, but that his Holiness should revoke his cause, and that he might, if he pleased, order the dean of the referendaries to intimate it to them and to me. They afterwards told me that it was customary to intimate the *signatura* and commission; and I did so, not to raise needless obstacles.

Relates communications with the referendaries, and of Andrea del Burgo with the cardinal of Ancona. Mentions having discovered that the English ambassadors had given a very rich fur to the cardinal of Ravenna, who is the nephew of Ancona, and had sent a messenger to the latter before he came to Rome. In the morning, fearing that the English ambassadors would come to the *signatura*, went to mass at St. Peter's, and sent to see if they were coming. Having learnt that they had come, and the ambassador of France along with them, and that they had sent from the palace for the ambassador of Venice, complained to Sanga that the politics of the League were allowed a place in matters of justice. Sanga said they too had accused the Pope of partiality, and it was no wonder they were jealous. At last they would not come, either having received some admonition from Sanga, or being disappointed that I was there.

Some time afterwards Simonetta came to me, and said the English wanted to speak to the Pope in full consistory, and in my presence, if I wished to be there. I said I had nothing to do with them, but that the servants of your Majesty refused nothing of this kind, and we entered and saluted with sufficient courtesy. The Pope then desired us to say what it was we wanted. I said we had been told that the English wished to speak in my presence, and that I had come to hear them. Their lawyer ambassador then said in Latin, that late yesterday one who said he represented the Pope had very improperly cited them with so little warning that they had not consulted upon the matter, and had no power as regards this article; that they had received a copy of the commission, in which were passages that touched the honour of the King their master, because they say that he wished to have a divorce from the Queen, although his Holiness knew well that this did not proceed from the King's own desire, but from the scruples of his conscience; that the Pope knew very well he, the speaker, was the first that came hither to his Holiness, and had asked him for counsel in this matter on the King's behalf, in the presence of St. Quatuor and Monte, and that if the Pope had thought right he might have undeceived them, and said that there was no reason to pursue it further, but that he never would give them any advice, and this he protested another time before the same persons; all that he obtained from the Pope was the commission, and, since he had given it, he could not revoke it without injury to the King. At this the Pope was much disturbed, all the more because the English ambassador said two or three times, "This I say, that the Imperial ambassador may know it, and may not suppose that my King is such a one as would seek a divorce."

To this I replied simply, "It is well that everything should be known,"—adding no more, not to disturb his argument. Moreover, he said, "que havia otra palabra, que el no la entendia bien de afection marital, y que el Rey comia y cenaba y dormia con su muger, y le dava el debito, y muchas veces lo pidia que no sabe que le falta para no tener la afection marital."

Moreover, he said he did not know why we Spaniards should be more interested in Henry's kingdom and his daughter than they were, that his daughter was very dear to the King and to all the people, and that she takes care *que nadie la havia de tomar*, and that the brief which was produced was false, though he did not know who had forged it, only all the lawyers held it false, and his Holiness ought so to judge it.

In reply, Mai said that if the messenger (*cursor*) had done his duty badly, he hoped his Holiness would have him punished; that it was true he

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had sent him to comply with the custom of this Court, which was better than they did at Orvieto, when they cited the ministers of the Emperor; that their allegation that they had no powers was incredible, they being such honoured ambassadors of so wise a king; that at the time they left England they knew that Musetula had made application for this, which we now petition for, and that now they came into this cause requesting his Holiness to declare the brief false without hearing the party or seeing the brief, which is in Spain, and that they cannot be procurators for one article in the cause, and not for another; and if this were the state of matters there would be no necessity for a procurator at all, for as the commission had been given to Campeggio without our knowledge, it might be revoked without theirs. I disclaimed having uttered any injurious words of the King, whom I had always spoken of with great honor. To be divorced was to be separated, and I could not understand it otherwise; and whether it was of his own motion or by the counsel of others, I did not know. I only knew the meaning of the word. We were very glad to hear the King treated his daughter well, whom I called Princess, and hoped they would every day treat her better. As to the treatment of the Queen, his Holiness knew it; and that if Campeggio were on our side, "*no se consintio*," as appears by the protest made by Musetula, which I produced anew, and that besides this there were innumerable new causes for revoking it.

The English ambassador replied again, and I rejoined.

I knew that the Pope was very much provoked by the English, and that he has said a certain word in our favour, although he has ordered, under pain of excommunication, that no one repeat it.

He has put the matter off to another *signatura*. I will continue to do my best with these referendaries, and I think it a good sign that these English ambassadors have spoken at such length, as it is evident they wish to lay the blame upon the Pope, and discharge themselves before us and the world, fearing that they will not succeed. As to the suggestion about poison, I did not think it proper to reply, as the words were general, and might be interpreted otherwise. Moreover, it was not desirable to irritate them against the Queen.

The archbishop of Capua is afraid that the cardinal of Ravenna may be drawn over to the English side by English money.

Information about the cardinal of Ancona, &c.

Has heard that the Pope has given the English ambassadors a brief that the Emperor should send hither within a certain time the brief in question, to ascertain its genuineness, or that he should send it into England, otherwise they would proceed in the cause; yet I understand the English are not satisfied with it. Since the above took place, the Pope has been ill, and has given Andrea del Burgo and myself to understand that the English are very much provoked at us, and have written a thousand follies into England, especially that the King should marry whom he pleased without waiting for more declarations, and suggesting that they should turn away the Queen from there; and with this his Holiness begs that we should not press the revocation of the cause at present, but I have insisted upon it on the ground of justice, and I do not intend to desist.

I have just received an allegation of what the English ambassadors have objected to this revocation. Has not time to send a copy.

I fear the weakness of the Pope more than anything. Rome, 9 May 1529.

Spanish, pp. 21. *Modern copy.*

9 May. R.O. **5530.** GARDINER and VANNES to WOLSEY.

Sent Alexander, the courier, with letters to the King and Wolsey on the 5th. Writes now, as the secretary to the French chamberlain is going hence in post. The Pope is sick, but not dangerously, and gives no

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audience. Can therefore do nothing either in the King's matter or Wolsey's. Although they could obtain the bulls for the bishopric of Winchester, which are of the ordinary course, the other matter is different, and they are remitted to the time when the Pope can be spoken with, and when the cardinal of S. Quatuor is here. Rome, 9 May. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's good grace. *Endd.:* Mr. Gardiner and Mr. Vannes to the Kinges majestie, from Rome.

10 May. Cal. B. VII. 133. B. M.

5531. JAMES V. to ALBANY.

Thanks him for his affection. He is pressed by his Estates to marry. They two remain of their house childless, and natural children have created heretofore great troubles in the kingdom. The Emperor has proposed that he should marry a sister or niece of the queen of Hungary with a large income. May, if he think it expedient, impart it to the king of France and desire his good offices. Edinburgh, 10 May.

Pp. 2. *Copy. Endd.:* "Double des lettres que le roy d'Ecosse a escriptes a Monseigneur du xme de May."

10 May. Lettere di Principi, II. 162 b.

5532. [SANGA] to the GOVERNOR OF BOLOGNA.

By the enclosed petition and memorial you will see what is the favor which the cavalier [Gregory] Casale desires of the Pope. His merits are such that the Pope is inclined to grant his request, but will make no promise until he receives information as to the value of the favor which he is to grant. Rome, 10 May 1529.

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5533. EDWARD JOHNS, Rector of Northecrawley, to CROMWELL.

"Sir, I had [lacked] great luck because of your sudden departing from London afore Easter;" nevertheless "my lord (Wolsey) was my singular and gracious good lord. God save his Grace." On leaving, my Lord gave him a large commission concerning his preventions, and he has incurred great anger of the ordinaries. Two small benefices fell in the diocese of Bangor on 6 May. Has prevented both in my Lord's name within two hours of the incumbent's death. Within three days after came a chaplain from Dr. Glyn, who would have entered in the bishop of Bangor's name, "but he was put by, and some had broken elbows." Before Christmas my Lord gave, by prevention, a poor benefice not worth 5*l.*; on which the Bishop gave Dr. Glyn a commission to dispose of all benefices in his diocese; "and the said Doctor hath commissioners in every bush, but I have disappointed them now, and will do, with God's grace." My Lord must do something to check the haughtiness of these Bishops. My lord of Bangor has not been in his diocese these 14 years, but sets his bishopric to farm to Dr. Glyn. He is indicted in divers places of his diocese for lack of visitation. He has been bishop these 21 years, and never commissioned any one to give away benefices till now to debar my Lord of his preventions. Hopes my Lord will be even with him to his pain. "He shall not sit at Bowley, and compare with my lord's Grace. Pœna unius debet esse metus multorum." Dr. Glyn, too, may be punished; for in Hilary term Ric. Buckely, my Lord's servant, and Mr. Robert ap Res, presented four articles against him:—1. That he had the archdeaconry of Anglesea by false resignation.* 2. That he has four benefices of the King's patronage by gift of the Bishop. 3. Maintenance of murderers who escaped punishment. 4. That he received 60*l.* above the King's subsidy from the clergy of Bangor. A commission was issued to Buckeley and others to inquire

* See Vol. IV. No. 211.

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into these articles; but with their great words there is danger of the matter being compromised, if Wolsey do not give them an admonition to proceed without partiality. They have cited many to Bangor because they were not suffered to violate my Lord's prevention. "I am right glad if my lord's Grace may have a substantial matter against the Bishop, for he is the richest monk of England. Also, I have a great bederoll of abbots and priors, and surely my lord's Grace shall do much good amongst them, and also his Grace shall have a large pot of wine."

"Sir, my poor and simple mind is for this benefice which is 8*l.* clear, for there is two persons in that church that take institution and induction for me, and I to take a new composition royal between me and the college with the annuity of 8*l.*;" for my Lord intended that I should have any benefice that fell either to the value of the portion or of the whole. Is glad this small thing has fallen, as it will please both my Lord and the dean of the College. When a better falls, Cromwell shall have the whole. Ere long he will have reserved two benefices, one in Bangor, the other in St. Asaph, which he expects daily to fall vacant. Cares little for this poor benefice but to gratify Mr. Dean, for he has to pay 12 marks for first-fruits. Desires Cromwell, if he obtain the institution and induction, to keep them till he come to London at Midsummer. The other chapel is not worth 12 marks "to dowell upon." Has to ride to St. David's and Llandaff to put in force my Lord's commission; after that straight to London. Desires Cromwell to get out an inhibition against Dr. Glyn, with a summons to appear before my Lord to answer to a contempt after Midsummer. This should be done by the advice of Dr. Boner and Dr. Ley. When the Doctor's chaplain came to the small chapel, intending to violate my Lord's preventions, the writer sent his servant to take them. Would have put them in irons till my Lord sent for them, but was afraid. Would like authority to do so. Ruthyn, 11 May.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* To the rig[ht w]orshipful Mr. Cro[mw]ell, servant and councillor unto my lord Cardinal's good grace. *Endd.*

11 May. **5534.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 266. B. M.

The Pope has frequent relapses, and latterly from an affront given him by the English ambassadors;—of which I have written apart to your Majesty, not to mix up one thing with another. Latterly he has been made so ill that we have been in great fear for him. He has since been rather better, but many don't believe that he is safe, and his physician told me yesterday that if he have another relapse his case is desperate. I have been informed on good authority that his Holiness has an oil which has been very efficacious against poison; the physicians greatly disapprove of its use, but he keeps it without their knowing. Rome, 11 May 1529.

Spanish, pp. 3. *Modern copy.*

12 May. **5535.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Theiner, p. 576.

With your letters of 19 March there came no letters for this King or the cardinal of York from their ambassadors;—at which they were greatly astonished. They did not receive any till the 6th inst., when some were brought by Thaddeus. You wrote that the matter should be discussed within a few days, and that the Pope would be present; but I have heard no more from you; nor am I enlightened by the two letters of the 11th and 15th of April from my brother, Mons. di Feltro. Pray consider to how much displeasure and confusion I am subjected on this account. They (the King and Wolsey) can hardly believe that I have received no reply to all the points of my letter. They tell me that in fact they can hope for nothing from the Pope, and that his Holiness refers all things to us (the Legates).

This King and the cardinal of York have letters from Spain, of 21 and

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23 April, from the auditor of the Chamber (Ghinucci) and from their ambassador the Almoner (Lee), certifying them that the brief is false. They, therefore, argue that they have no guarantee or assurance that the bull is valid; and they insist that the trial shall proceed, and the cause be dispatched. I have replied that I am content, and will not fail to do my duty. I believe they will proceed with all diligence after this feast of Whitsuntide, especially as the said persons write from Spain that the Emperor and those of the Court regard it as a settled thing that the cause will be cited by us and brought into court.

When they said that nothing was to be hoped for from the Pope, they added that the Pope was in agreement with the Emperor, and would do nothing without his permission; that the Pope wished to go to Spain if the Emperor was content, and would proclaim a truce if it was agreeable to the Emperor; and that the Pope had respect to the Emperor in this matrimonial cause. I replied that I was not aware of any agreement between the Pope and the Emperor, and could not believe that the Pope was bound by any agreement to give offence or be adverse to the King. With regard to the matrimonial cause, I said I knew for certain that the Pope was exceedingly well disposed towards the King, and that his respect for the Emperor would not cause him to deviate a jot from that which he could justly do in his favor, as he desired to do him every service, provided it lay in his power; but that they ought to consider that this matter touched one of the sacraments of the Church, and might create great scandal, so that the Pope was constrained to proceed very deliberately, and could do nothing inconsistent with justice, as I had frequently been told by him in various conversations on this subject.

York, however, told me that their ambassadors did not despair of being able to obtain something from the Pope; but the King, on Sunday the 9th, told me that he intended to dispatch Thaddeus thither immediately, with orders for Brian and Dr. Stephen (Gardiner) to return, and that the auditor of the chamber (Ghinucci) would return to Italy, and would be his ambassador there together with the "Cavalier" Casale. The King then added (in Latin), "I do not importune the Pope for the creation of cardinals, like other kings, but, in behalf of the said auditor, I certainly wish he would create him cardinal at my request." The King manifested very great desire for this, and said many things in praise of the auditor.

York has told me that the Emperor is urging three things upon them: (1) a particular peace between them; (2) if they refuse the first, a suspension of arms; (3) or else a particular truce. They have refused the first two, but would consent to the third, with the inclusion of the French king. The Cardinal added that the Emperor is doing his utmost to separate them from the French king, or the French king from them, because they are informed that an agreement is being negociated with the French king by means of Madame Eleanor, sister of the Emperor, and that she has recently sent a Portuguese to the French court. Henry and Wolsey had determined to send Master Russell,* of the King's chamber, to the French king, but have since changed their mind, and they now send the duke of Suffolk, the King's kinsman, and Master Fitzwilliam (*Figriel*), treasurer of the King's household, who is, I understand, a noble person, of great valour, and skilled in the art of war. They send them in order that they may be in counsel with the French king, and have authority and means to give him assistance, when they have made sure that the French king will do his duty, and take good order for conducting the war vigorously. York told me, as a secret, that they intend to give him (Francis) a large band of English. It seems that

* "*Rosetto*" in Theiner: qu. *Rosello?*

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they propose, if the Emperor goes into Italy, that the French king shall enter it also. But I believe that when they have obtained a settlement of this matrimonial cause, which they consider as binding them to the French king's girdle, they will be ready to accept an agreement with the Emperor. Wolsey has said to me many times (in Latin), "On the dissolution of this marriage we shall easily find some means of agreeing with the Emperor, and there will be no more clamours." They propose, in the first place, to content the Queen, leaving her the rank (*stato*) which she now holds, and all that she chooses to demand, except the King's person; and [next] to satisfy the Emperor, by making a new marital alliance between the Emperor's natural daughter and this King's natural son.

Some days ago certain persons of account passed from Spain to Flanders to hold a diet there on the 10th inst., and to demand in the Emperor's name 15,000 foot in pay for Italy, and 500 of their men-at-arms. I believe they will obtain a large subsidy.

The Cardinal and the King have received the briefs inclosed in yours of 19 March. I made an excuse for there being no answer to their letters in the Pope's hand, on account of his Holiness's indisposition. For the last five months I have sustained very heavy expences, without receiving any remittances. I have been subjected to great displeasure, and know not how long it will last. London, 12 May 1529.

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5536. Wm. Knighte to Tuke.

Has received his letters of 21 April. In accordance with Wolsey's desire for two safe-conducts, one for the Spanish ambassador, and the other for a servant of his, going to solicit the coming of the lord of Worcester to the confines of France, the servant was despatched on the 11th inst., and the other safe-conduct is sent to the deputy of Calais to await Wolsey's orders. The ambassador shall be detained at Bayonne till my lord of Worcester is at Fontarabia. Safe-conducts can be made by any secretary's clerk, but the letters for the king of Scots require expert penning, so Tuke must have patience. The King told him to write to Wolsey that it was no use to send the bishop of Bayonne to Rome, and next day that he should go thither. Now, suddenly, the Bishop has come to his house on his post horse, before Knight knew anything of his journey to England. Tayler believes all things that these men speak, but Knight believes nothing. The report of the Emperor's passing into Italy continues. It is said that the archbishop of Capua, the Pope's nuncio, urges the Emperor to go thither, and that on his arrival, if not disquieted by the French king, he will procure a General Council. Amboise, 12 May.

Will not forget the matter which Mons. de Langes promised to do. Writes to the Imperial Ambassador that he has sent his safe-conduct to Mr. Deputy.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

12 May. Le Grand, III. 307.

5537. Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Has been unable to reach Boulogne before this morning, in consequence of illness, and the delays occasioned by the treasurers at Paris, and now is compelled to wait for wind. Trusts, however, it will not be longer than till midnight; for if the wind will not serve, the merits of his cause will be sufficient to secure a passage for him. Russell is at Calais with a number of hackneys sent by the king of England as a present. I may possibly send you news by him (?)* It has occurred to me in reference to my charge, that

* "M. Roussel est à Calais avec force hacquenées que le roy d'Angleterre envoye pour present. Je ne sçay s'il vouldra servir de les conduire. Si cela estoit avant son arrivée à la Court, vous pourriez avoir de mes nouvelles par quelque mot desrobé de response."

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if our men approve of the proposals you know of, they may ask, when you get Bayart's reply, to have a copy of the power of lady Margaret, and also that of Madame, so as to make their own agree with them; which I think you could not well refuse, especially that of Madame, which might then be shown without danger. Perhaps you had better send it home at once with Bayart's answer. Let me have news frequently to tell them that they may have less suspicion, for they are fortifying their frontiers stronger than ever. Two Englishmen who have come from Spain, and have passed by the French court on their way to England, have threatened to tell their King things that will make him change his mind towards us. I have stolen a march on them by the credit I have with the posts, and will anticipate them in England; for I suspect it is something they have heard in Spain about the terms upon which we have entered. I beg you will hasten the matter of the cross, and the other present, which seemed to be a work of only two days; for it will be most opportune. Du Biez told me of the intelligence he has had from Flanders. As to the letters from Spira, considering the remonstrances of the lady Margaret, that matter should be remedied. It will be easy to do so, by telling them plainly that as no answer has yet come from Des Barres, and matters do not look favorable to peace, we did not like to let ourselves be taken by surprise by enemies so powerful as the Germans. I think Bayart can make them a good reply. He is going more slowly than he would, owing to the wound in his leg, but he was yesterday morning at Montdidier continuing his journey. Boulogne, 12 May.

P.S.—Since writing I have waited continually for an opportunity to embark, but it has been found impossible. I am sure, however, that no one will embark before me, either here or at Calais. I have learned more truly of the present of these hackneys; they are offered to the highest bidder, and they are no great thing; also Russell is not yet at Calais, although his men expect him there. The Englishmen who came after me have just arrived. I have entertained them by the seaside (*suz la marine*), at the expence of Du Biez; and I fully believe that it is they who went to Spain to get the enlarged brief (*brief amplicatif*) for the dispensation of the queen of England. I took care to proceed soberly with them. They speak marvellously of the disposition towards peace in Spain, and that the only objections are two or three articles; of which, one might judge by their looks, that the marriage is one. They thanked me when they saw me more at leisure, and were very gracious. I think they would sooner be on the Queen's side than that of the King or Cardinal. (*Je pense que plustost soyent à la Royne que aultrement estans au Roy ou au Cardinal, je les eusse bien recogneus.*)

Fr. Add.

12 May. **5538.** JOHN CASALE to WOLSEY.

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While at Bologna for the purpose of marrying his sister, who had lost her husband, his brother Paul brought him from Rome the letters of the King to the Signory, and of Wolsey to himself, and gave him instructions in the name of the ambassadors at Rome, none of whom had leisure to come hither. Returned immediately to Venice. Theodore Triulci arrived two days after. After consulting with him, the bishop of Avranches, the resident French ambassador, and John Joachim, it was determined that Casale should speak first. Went to the Senate, and, after excuses for the delay of the letters, presented them.

Seeing that their minds were ill-disposed, told them that from these letters they might perceive the good will of the King and Wolsey to Italy and themselves, for they warned them against the consequences of their ill behaviour; he would postpone what he was charged to say to them. The

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Doge replied that he did not think such letters had ever been written by a prince to his friends, nor that their state was of such small account as to be treated thus; that their occupation of the cities was to save them and the whole territory of the Church from destruction; that those who advised the King to write thus where his enemies; and he refused to answer the letters at present. Said that the King and Wolsey thought they had no right to these cities. Wrote of this in his last letters, of which he encloses a copy. The French ambassadors have also had an interview with the Senate. Has asked them again to think well of this matter, for the King and Wolsey have no ill feeling against them, but the King is compelled to speak thus from his great interest in Italian affairs. When telling them some news received from his brother, urged them in his name to respect the advice of the King; to which they answered much more courteously than before. Sends news from the Mantuan ambassador, who has just arrived from Spain. Letters from an imperial agent with the Pope were intercepted at Lyons, speaking with greater certainty of the Emperor's arrival. Venice, 12 May 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

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5539. For EDMUND WHALLEY, Abbot of St. Mary's, York.

Release as receiver of the King's monies for expenditure in the North parts, &c. Westm., 9 May 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 May.

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[Cal. E. I. II.?] I. 145. B. M.

5540. FRANCIS I. to [WOLSEY].

Has despatched again to England the bishop of Bayonne.

Hol., Fr., mutilated, p. 1.

13 May. Le Grand, III. 312.

5541. DU BELLAY to [MARTIN] DU BELLAY.

Having got safe from the storm to Dovor, I have found a Florentine of my acquaintance, who tells me that Russell had got to Sandwich, and his horses were embarked, when he was countermanded. It is said that Suffolk and Fitzwilliam are crossing the sea. Tomorrow morning I shall be at London, and shall write to the Grand Master. I have received your letter, and the receipt of Dalbaine by the Englishmen, who did not dare to embark. Dovor, 13 May. *Signed:* "Vostre meilleur frere et amy J. du Bellay, evesque de Bayonne."

Fr. Add.: "Monsieur du Bellay conseiller en la Court de Parlement de Paris, au Cloistre N. Dame."

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5542. LORD GEORGE GREY to CROMWELL.

"Fellow Master Cromwell," I send you by my servant a bill of one Richard Patten, fustian shearer, of London, to discharge the 20*l.* in which you stand bound for me to Sir John Alyn, alderman of London. The days are longer than I would, but I beseech you make the best of it. Friday before Whitsunday. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my fellow and friend Master Thomas Cromwell.

14 May. Lettere di Principi, II. 165.

5543. GIO. BATT. SANGA to GIO. GIOACHINO [DI PASSANO, French Ambassador] at Venice.

If the authority of the kings of England and France is powerless to induce the Venetians to restore the Pope's territories, his Holiness will find some other means of recovering his own. Rome, 14 May 1529.

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15 May. **5544.** THE DIVORCE.

Vit. B. XI. 112. B. M.

Extracts from a letter of Salviati to Campeggio, dated Rome, 15 May.

Since his last letters of May 8, the Pope has not attended to business, having been told that he had endangered his health by doing so too soon. The English ambassadors are discontented with his Holiness, but undeservedly, for he is very desirous of satisfying the King; but he cannot prevent the ambassadors of the Emperor and Ferdinand from protesting or presenting their commissions.

What is possible has been done and will be done again, for the commission has not been signed. Thinks their letters have caused some confusion in Campeggio's negotiations; but the Pope, trusting in his prudence, thinks it will be settled.

Thinks the Pope will act in such a way that it will be seen that they have made a mistake in distrusting him, and they will testify that his Holiness is more anxious to please the King than any other prince. Letters of May 10 from Naples state that the marquis of Guasto has given up all hope of taking Monopoli, though he has not yet raised the siege. He is suffering from tertian fever. Trani and Barletta are well fortified. The allied troops overrun the whole province, and the number of exiles is increasing, owing to the insolence of the Spaniards. The rebels have sacked Grotta Mainarda and another fortified town.

Those who are at the head of affairs at Naples intend to send 1000 foot against them, and to order all the barons and governors in the kingdom to defend themselves. It will be impossible for the Imperial army to leave the kingdom. The count of Mirandola, the papal nuncio in Germany, writes that at the diet of Spires 20,000 foot with pay for six months were decreed to Ferdinand.

The Pope is well recovered, but does not yet attend to business.

Letters from Venice, of May 5, state that letters had arrived from Constantinople, dated April 17, with news that the Turk had prepared 150,000 soldiers to invade Germany, and that two bassas, Beliarbey and Agias, had already started; and on the 19th, Ambrahi bassa, the captain general, would start, and would be shortly followed by the Emperor.

The free cities of Germany have offered to give 20,000 foot and 4,000 horse to resist him. Bohemia will contribute 10,000 foot, and Ferdinand will raise the same number.

The Turkish infantry is of no value, except a band of 6,000 Janissaries. Their chief strength is the cavalry, which can be easily resisted by the Germans with arquebuses and similar weapons.

Lat., pp. 3. *Endd.*

15 May. **5545.** GREGORY CASALE to ———.

R. O.

There is news that the Imperialists have lost a battle at Monopolis, and retreated in such disorder that they could not leave the kingdom of Naples as they intended. The exiles are in arms, and have taken a certain strong place. The soldiers demanded money, but there was none to give them. Rome, 15 May 1529.

Ital., copy, p. 1. *Endd.*

15 May. **5546.** GIO. BATT. SANGA to CARDINAL SALVIATI, Legate in France.

Lettere di Principi, II. 165 b.

The duke of Albany's man has been many times with the Pope and me. He showed me that the Duke is very desirous of arranging the affairs of our little Duchess. If he could speak to the Pope on the subject in person, he doubts not to come to an agreement with him, and in passing from

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Florence to regain the Duchess, and bring her to the Pope. The Pope could not be better pleased; but as the Duke dislikes proposing this matter to the French king, you are to say to the latter, "It would perhaps be advisable for your Majesty to order the Duke to go to the Pope on this account, because, as a relative, and as a person in whom the Pope ordinarily puts great trust,—setting aside these differences touching the Duchess,—he might now be able to assist and promote with his Holiness many of your desires." But do not mention the matter unless there is good hope of obtaining this result. Send your letters under cover of the English ambassador (in France) to the cavalier (Gregory) Casale, by which means I send mine to you; or else direct them to cardinal Doria, at Genoa; but the first is the better way. Rome, 15 May 1529.

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15 May. MS. 5,499, p. 163, Bibl. Nat.

5547. BISHOP OF BAYONNE to MONTMORENCY.

Had a conference with Wolsey on Thursday after dinner. He was glad to hear of the good health of Francis and Madame, and of their good will towards peace. As to the overture made by Des Barres, he is of their opinion that there may be a snare for us. Still he thinks we should hear what Madame Margaret has to say, and on the return of l'Eleu Bayard he will be happy, with the King's permission, to go there, and do his best for peace and for the recovery of the French children. The duke of Suffolk and Fitzwilliam have been already despatched with ample instructions, and, as I understand, with a good sum of money, to be employed in war if necessary, and were to leave on Friday for France; but Wolsey ordered them to remain until the writer had spoken to the King, and some determination had been taken what conclusion should be accepted. Wolsey never was so earnest in behalf of Francis.

By his advice went yesterday to the King at Windsor, whom he found quite as well disposed toward Francis as the Legate, but he rather objects to Wolsey being sent over so suddenly, for reasons which I cannot write at present, having no cipher. Leaves the explanation to Suffolk and Fitzwilliam, but despatches this messenger to inform the Grand Master of his passage. The bearer was a servant of Montmorency in England, and the writer begs that he may be paid a year's wages and his expences. London, 15 May.

French, from a transcript, pp. 3.

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5548. MARGARET OF SAVOY to HENRY VIII.

Desires credence for Jehan de le Sauch, whom she sends to him. Has always desired to preserve friendship. Brussels, 15 May 1529. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

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5549. THE SAME to WOLSEY.

To the same effect. Brussels, 15 May 1529. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

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5550. W. CAPON to CROMWELL.

I have heard with much thankfulness from Mr. Subdean what you have done for our college. I request you to sue the priest at Southampton for the money due to us, and will, next term, pay the costs. The company of our college are in good health. I am amended of my old disease in my foot. Gippiswiche, 15 May. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful and his most especial good friend Mr. Thomas Cromwell.

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16 May. **5551.** CHARLES V. to MAI.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 275. B. M.

* * * Approves of what he has done about the queen of England, and begs him to continue along with Musetula. In accordance with what he wrote from Saragossa, about the requirement made on the part of the king of England to have the original brief of dispensation, and the excuses and protestations made on his own behalf, sends duplicates of the whole to show that he considers this affair as his own. * * *

Spanish, pp. 12. *Endd.:* A Micer May, de Barcelona, 16 May 1529. *Modern copy.*

16 May. **5552.** ——— to the BISHOP OF POLA, Nuncio at Venice.

Lettere di Principi, II. 167 b.

Hopes the coming of Signor Theodoro will produce some effect on the Signory, and that the Pope will recover his lands. The Pope is grateful to him, to Monsr. d'Avranches, to Gio. Gioachino (di Passano), and to the English ambassador, for their good offices, the last-named having always been a most affectionate servant of his Holiness. If the importunity of two such great Kings, combined with the zeal of their ministers, bears no fruit, the Pope will be extremely grieved, and will have to resort to other remedies. God forbid that they should be such as would do more harm than the Pope wishes. Rome, 16 May 1529.

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17 May. **5553.** GREGORY CASALE to ———.

R. O.

The Pope is unwell, though not confined to his bed, and will not give audience this week. Count Lodovico Rangone, who often sees the Pope privately, says that he is worse today than he ever has been during this illness. Rome, 17 May 1529.

Ital., copy, p. 1. *Endd.*

17 May. **5554.** JOHN HACKETT to WOLSEY.

Galba, B. IX. 162. B. M.

Wrote on the 14th April, in answer to Wolsey's letter of the 20th March. Complains of his want of money. Has spent 200*l.* above his advance money and pension, and Wyat or Tuke rebates off his pension for his advance money. In his last letter to Tuke, of the 11th, enclosed the copy of the French king's letter to the electors at Spires, and the printed copy of the Emperor's answer to his cartel. Sends with this the three articles concluded at Spires. Wrote to Tuke of the arrival here of Des Barres. Rossynboix has since arrived with letters from the Emperor and the regent of France to my lady Margaret. Supposes Wolsey knows in part the purpose of his mission, and that he has had long communication with the French king and Regent. Before he went to Spain he wrote to my Lady, *that the Regent was very desirous to speak with her, and if they could meet she would show her some secret things, and that she was sure, if the Emperor knew of them, he would be much better inclined to make a durable peace.* To this *my Lady* answered by letters to *Rossynboix that he should show all to the Emperor, and she would employ herself to the best of her power* to bring the good work to a good end. It is now concluded that the two ladies shall meet at Cambray; and it is thought that Wolsey will go thither also, and that at the same time *the kings of England and France* will [meet] at Calais. Both gentlemen and gentlewomen here are beginning to make preparations. *My lord card. of Liege* will be there. It is thought my Lady will have 800 horse. *M. le Maistre Muscoron* told him yesterday at dinner that he knew for certain that an overture was made *to the Emperor from France that if he would not pass this year to Italy the French king would send him carte blanche to fulfil*

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the treaty of Madrid, but he does not think *the Emperor will stop his voyage for any fraudulent words or cautelous offers.* Asked the *said Muscoron*, who formed the *Emperor's domestic council at this time? He gave the following names* :—The bishop of Toledo, the earl of Demyrando, Mess. de Nassaw, de Lassaw, de Pernot, de Prate, "saving your g[race] his reverence, I be screwe his pate," and Perney, who is under secretary to Pernot. Was told yesterday that my Lady intended to [send] a personage from this court "to be there" in Don Inigo's room; but she has received letters saying that the Emperor will send some one.

Asked *Hoghestrat* about the truce. He says that there is no change, except that there must be a new proclamation and prolongation for the better assurance of merchants.

Hears that Don Fernando has written to my Lady that the Venetians have sent one of the chief rulers of Venice to the Emperor in Spain, and that he is sent there "to sing placebo." Letters from Barcelona, dated 16 April, state that the Emperor would be ready to leave for Italy by the end of the month, and letters of the 20th that the army would be ready in six or eight days, and that the Emperor is taking 12,000 Spaniards and 3,000 horse, besides the fleet; that the Emperor doubts not that Fernando will come to his assistance, but, if not, that he is strong enough.

The nobles and prelates here have granted the Emperor's petition for 1,200,000 fl., and the towns will probably do the same. Hears that it was known in France that Wolsey knew of the secret enterprise, "wherefore your Grace was made partner of the same, but not general." Does not know what they have done or will do. It is hard to keep secret what so many men and women know. They will send 10,000 foot and 300 lances to assist the Emperor.

Unless *the King* and Wolsey are privy without dissimulation to this meeting at Cambray, would suspect it as more likely to turn to ill than good. Brussels, 17 May 1529.

Hol., pp. 5. *The passages in cipher deciphered by Tuke. Add. Endd.*

17 May. R. O. **5555.** HACKET to TUKE.

Since mine of the 11th, I have received nothing from you. Ask the Cardinal to succour my necessity. I am in much dolour; "howbeit I have some little remedy to make a salet of erb that is nameth patientia." The margrave of Antwerp, who has Sir Richard Akyrston in prison, by the King and my Lord's command, is displeased that he is not discharged of the said prisoner, with payment of his costs. Brussels, 17 May 1529.

Doubtless you know my cipher. I write a single v for a double.

P.S., 18 May 1529.—Since signing this letter, between five and six in the afternoon, I have spoken with my lady Margaret, and send you herewith a letter for Wolsey. John de Lassaux is coming to England.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

17 May. R. O. **5556.** MARGERY CALTHORP, Abbess of Brosiarde, to CROMWELL.

Thanks him for his charitable alms. Reminds him of the pension he promised her from her cousin Sir Ric. Wentworthe. Wishes to know what answer he has had, as she is in great poverty. Will continue to pray daily for him and my lord Cardinal. 17 May.

Hol., p. 1. *Begins :* Right worshipful Master Cromwell.

R. O. **5557.** MARGERY CALTHORPE, Abbess of the Minories in Brosyard, to CROMWELL.

Thanks him for his comforting words about her annuity, which has been wrongfully withheld for 34 years. Asks him to do what he thinks best

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about it. If he can get it for her, he can keep it till he has paid himself. If he can get the arrears, he will keep 20 nobles and as much more as will pay him. If there is no way to obtain it but by the common law, is too poor to go to law about it. Has heard that the Cardinal is benevolent to injured poverty, and asks whether she shall supplicate him.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* [To] the worshipful Mr. Cromwell.

5558. LOUISE OF SAVOY to WOLSEY.

Cal. E. I. 21. B. M.

Has requested the Vice-chancellor (Tayler) to make her compliments. He has acquitted himself with honor in his charge.

Hol., Fr., mutilated, p. 1. *Add.:* "A mons. le Cardynal mon bon filz et pere."

5559. FRANCIS I. to WOLSEY.

[Cal. E. I. II. ?] I. 191. B. M.

In behalf of the bearer, who has satisfactorily discharged his mission.

Hol., Fr., mutilated, pp. 2. *Add.:* "A monsyeur le Cardinal dYort mon bon amy."

5560. LOUISE OF SAVOY to HENRY VIII.

Vesp. F. III. 22. B. M.

In commendation of the archdeacon of Buckingham (Tayler), his ambassador, who is on his return to England.

Fr., Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

5561. LOUISE OF SAVOY to WOLSEY.

[Cal. E. III. 13.] B. M.

Desires credence for [the archdeacon] of Boucquingant, who will tell him the news.

Hol., Fr., p. 1, *mutilated. Add.:* [Mons.] le Cardynal.

18 May. **5562.** SUFFOLK and FITZWILLIAM to HENRY VIII.

Cal. D. XI. f. 61 b. B. M.

* * * "to us that neither . . . . . have neither done or pur[posed to do concer]nyng the peace, further or other[wise than is already d]eclared unto your Grace upon the Ki[ng his master's] behalf. And further he saith that h[e would] neither enterprise, practise, ne do anythi[ng either in] peace or war, but by the advice, counsel [and consent] of your Grace; which words in every thing [were] agreeable to your Grace's information showed unto [the] said master treasurer and me at our departing. Furthermore we desired him to show unto [us] what words Mons. Gilliam de la Barre had [spoken to] my Lady† concerning your Grace's great matter; whe[reupon] he made answer and said that my Lady in communica[tion] with the said Gilliam should say, Master Gilliam, l[et not] my sister, your mistress, think that ever this pea[ce] shall take any effect, or any thing be done therein, [if it] be that any new things be brought in or spoken of other than before arne a[greed and] be comprised in the old articles;—which words s[he] spake to prove what the said Gilliam would say concerning your Grace's great matter. Whereunto h[e] answered, Madam, I know what you mean, howbeit I may ne woll not disclose no farth[er."]

f. 61. * * * "and the King of . . . . . utid; which words my said Lady [repeated] two times to the said Gilliam, w[ho thereto ma]de like answer as is aforesaid. And [when we] perceived we could get no more of him in t[his matter], we said unto him that we thought it wa[s very strange,] for he had reported unto my lord Cardinal

† Louise of Savoy.

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[how that] Gilliam de la Barre should say unto my Lady [when] she proposed these words afore rehearsed unto hy[m]:—Madame, I know what ye mean. The Emperor's council [in] Spain and in Flanders know well that the king of England will have a new wife. Whereunto my Lady should say, What saith the Emperor thereunto? Then the said Gilliam said that the Emperor should say, What say ye by a foolish proud Spaniard that could no better [ne] gentler ne wiselier handle the king of England?—which words the ambassador denyeth that ever he should say unto my lord Cardinal that Gilli[am] de la Barre should speak any such words to my Lady; but he saith that he showed unto my lord Cardinal that the King his master had privy knowledge out of Spain from a good place that at such time as one solicited the Queen's affairs to the Emperor, desiring him to have pity upon her, and to help, aid, and firmly to stick to her" * * *

f. 62. * * * "ha . . . . . er this manner he re . . . . . my lord Cardinal and . . . . . affirmeth, and thus we h[ave written] unto your Grace the whole effect of a[ll the device] as was this day between the said a[mbassador] and us, assuring us, as much as in him [lieth], that we shall find the King his mas[ter at] our coming as sure and faithful to your H[ighness] as possible is one prince to be to another." 18 May. *Signed.*

Mutilated. Add. Endd.

18 May. **5563.** THOS. WYNTER to WOLSEY.

R. O. Writes as he hears that Wolsey has sent for Tayler to England. He has shown great kindness to Winter, and he asks Wolsey to return it. He has often received Winter as a guest, and taken him to the Court. Lupset, who is much expected, has just written him Wolsey's wishes as to Latin and French. Will do all he can to deserve Wolsey's gifts to him, which will cause envy unless they are commended to men by gravity of manners and learning. Paris, 18 May 1529.

Lat., Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* R^mo^, &c. Card. Ebor. Angliæ primati, a latere Legato, &c. *Endd.:* Literæ Decani Wellen., 18 Maij.

18 May. **5564.** CAMPEGGIO to SANGA.

Laemmer, Mon. Vat. p. 33. Respecting the breve which the Pope intended to write to the Emperor, &c. London, 18 May 1529.

This paragraph is also contained in Campeggio's letter to Salviati of 20 May;—q. v.

18 May. **5565.** ANGUS to WOLSEY.

R.O. St. P. IV. 562. Has sent the bearer to the King instructed with his mind. Is so sharply pursued, "and the treux sa extremly takin in my contrar," that he cannot remain within this realm. Prestoun, 18 May 1529. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

18 May. **5566.** HACKET to WOLSEY.

R. O. My lady (Margaret) asked me today whether I had any tidings from England. She told me she had tidings from De Rossynboix and Wm. des Barres from the Emperor and France, tending to peace; and that she would not gladly do anything that might come to a conclusion without advertising the King. She is therefore sending Lassaux, who left yesterday morning, and takes with him letters to Don Inigo, in whose place the Emperor sends another person from Spain. She and the lady Regent are to meet at Cambray. Lassau will show Wolsey the proposals. Brussels, 18 May 1529.

I send you another letter.

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19 May. **5567.** JOHN HACKET to [WOLSEY].

Galba, B. IX. 164*. B. M.

Yesterday, sent a servant with letters for Wolsey to Mr. Wingfield, at Calais. Today, *a gentleman of lady Margaret's*, while walking in Hackett's garden, told him as a secret, "Mons. l'embassatour, vous sawes byen que l'ambusse est descuvert." Said he did not understand, and asked him what it was. He said, "Monsieur, les baylles sont playns des novellis, comme Madame et Madame la Regente de France se doyent trower ensemble, a Cambray, pour tretter du payx, sy Dyeu plet." Said that was very good news. He answered again, "Monsieur, je intens que la volunte della Regente est que le Roy vostre mestre et M. le Legat soyent advertys de tout, et que daventure Mons. le Legat mesme pouroyt venyr alla journe, mes je vous in assure, Monsieur, que ce n'estoyt pas la volunte ny la intenssion d'acqunes qui ont commense ceste intreprise, que *le Roy d'Angleterre ne Mons. le Legat doisent meller de cest affere*," and that he heard from *Hoghestrat* that he doubts, if *the King and Wolsey meddle, that they will show more favour to the French than to the Emperor.* Wishes Wolsey would send him some money, and command him to come to him. *Brussels*, 19 May 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *The cipher deciphered by Tuke.*

19 May. **5568.** HACKET to TUKE.

R. O.

Sent a packet yesterday for Wolsey, directed to Wingfield at Calais. Now sends another letter, partly in cipher. Desires to have his necessities relieved. Brussels, 19 May 1529.

P.S.—I do not hear that you have paid the small parcels that I disbursed long ago.†

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

19 May. **5569.** DON INIGO DE MENDOZA to [WOLSEY].

Vesp. C. IV. 115*. B. M.

Received yesterday letters from the Emperor, stating that [when] he reached Barcelona he could send an ambassador to the King, but as he would be far from the western sea he would send him through France, and desired Mendoza, through Henry's mediation, to obtain for him a safe-conduct from Francis.‡ Le Saux, the Emperor's secretary, will inform him fully what is proposed about universal peace. Wonders he has not received his own safe-conduct from the King's ambassadors. Delay is most annoying to him, and injurious to the ambassadors in Spain. Calais, 19 May. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1.

19 May. **5570.** DON INIGO DE MENDOZA to BRIAN TUKE.

R. O.

Has letters from the Emperor of the 21st April, stating he had sent a new ambassador to the King, but that as he was far from that sea that lies toward England, he proposed to send him through France under a safe-conduct from Francis, but desired Mendoza first to enquire the King's opinion. Requests Tuke to speak to Wolsey upon the subject, and send him an answer as soon as possible. Calais, 19 May. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* Mag. dom. Briano Tuko ser^mi Regis thesaurario atque secretario.

20 May. **5571.** DAME MAUD PARR.

Her will. Printed in Wills from Doctors' Commons (Camden Soc.), p. 9.

† Noted in the margin, in Tuke's hand: "This was in the heretics' matters."
‡ From this point the letter is in Mendoza's own hand.

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20 May. **5572.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.
Theiner, p.577. After the departure of Thaddeus on the 13th, Monsr. de Bayonne arrived here. I had understood he was going to Rome, by his letter of the 2nd, dated at Amboise. He came here with much diligence, and crossed the sea in such stormy weather, that certain Englishmen refused to cross with him. He delivered me your letters of the 10th and 21st ult., directed under cover to the legate in France. These letters found me troubled as usual with the gout, and the King was (and still is) absent at Windsor Castle. I sent the Pope's letter immediately to the cardinal of York, who desired me to send also the Pope's letter to the King, and to communicate to him my news from Rome. I therefore ordered my secretary to go thither [to the King], and caused an extract in Latin to be made from your letters of such parts as seemed suitable. But on the 14th, the bishop of Bayonne repaired to the King, who returned the same day. Then the cardinal of York was sent for by the King, with orders to repair to him and postpone all other business. At his departure he left orders that my secretary should go to the court on Monday, the second day of Easter, with Messer Francesco [Campano], as he wished to despatch him; they went thither accordingly. Francesco will be the bearer of this. He has spoken many times with the King and the cardinal of York, and must have learned a great deal touching their humours. The Pope will understand from his report in what travail I find myself, both of mind and body, owing to constant illness caused by the intemperateness and changeability of this climate, and by distraction of mind.

You write that the Pope laments that, and wonders how, these people have received some hope that he would revoke the brief of Julius, and have instructed their ambassadors to act accordingly. I have constantly asserted that it is impossible for them to obtain their desire from the Pope in this respect, and have done my utmost to dissuade them from making such a demand, setting before their eyes all the reasons which occurred to me to prove the impossibility of the thing. On the other hand, I told them that, if they considered the brief to be false, they might be sure its falsity would be proved in the course of the trial, as I had studied the writings of the doctors on that subject.

Dr. Stephen (Gardiner) is there (at Rome), who at least on one occasion was present when I explained to them the impossibility of their demands. Francesco, the bearer, will also remember that in his presence, when the Cardinal (Wolsey) addressed to him and me the words which he often uses, "For the love of God, the Pope should act in behalf of my King, and release us from these anxieties," I replied that their demands were impossible, as on other occasions I had told him. They nevertheless cling to the fantasy that the Pope can satisfy their desire, and they say that Dr. Stephen has convinced the cardinal of Ancona and Simonetta in this matter. You may judge from the vehemency of their ambassadors in what straits I find myself; being daily attacked by the King and York, with whom every reason is vain, and of no moment, which is not on their side. But I have never given them any hope; I have only assured them of the Pope's good mind, and of his desire to satisfy the King. They still say they have hope, and they interpret every slightest word in their own fashion. They have pondered that passage in the Pope's letters where he writes "*vellemus statim efficere posse quod nunc postulas;*" saying, "Note the word *statim*, which shows he will be able to act in time;" although the sequel specifies the Pope's resolution. They also note the passage, "*omnis non nobis minus*," &c.

What you wrote about the brief which the Pope determined to write to the Emperor, and with which the [English] ambassadors were dissatisfied, because they wished it to be authoritative, has been communicated to the King and Cardinal. They are resolved to care no longer whether the Pope

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endeavors to obtain it, or whether the Emperor sends it to Rome or into England; and this because they suspect from these beginnings that it will be sought to remove the cause from here, and to annul the authority of the Legates. They have noted your excuse for not writing the authoritative brief which their ambassadors demanded; and therefore they are able to say that they regard Rome with suspicion, as the Imperialists say with respect to England. With regard to the protests which it is said the Imperialists have presented, they (the King and Wolsey) demand that they shall be neither admitted nor listened to. They were answered that it was impossible to prohibit the parties from alleging their arguments; and that the Pope did not reject their ambassador's demands for want of goodwill to the King, to whom he was not ungrateful. My secretary tells me that when he spoke to the King on this subject, the King replied (in Latin), "We indeed admit this, but sometimes fear causes men to do things which they had no intention whatever of doing." To this the secretary replied, that he could assure his Majesty the only obstacles were justice and impossibility. His Majesty then told my secretary that the Emperor in Spain had discussed this matrimonial cause in his Council, and they had resolved, if our Lord (the Pope) should permit the cause to be judged in England, to appeal to a future Council.*

They do not seem to be much pleased with the mission of the Reverend Master of the [Pope's] Household to Spain, because he has been described to them as an Imperialist. I and my secretary have given them to understand that he is a trustworthy person, and devoted entirely to the Pope. They have given us no further answer respecting the truce.

At Bayonne's arrival a sudden rumor arose that a truce had been concluded between the Emperor and the French king for 18 months. One person asserted that he had heard it proclaimed in France in several places. The rumor has, however, proved to be false. But the cause of his (the Bishop's) coming was to inform the King that Francis is treating for peace with the Emperor, but does not intend to do anything without the knowledge and consent of his Majesty. The King told my secretary that he believes the Emperor is not proceeding honestly in these negotiations, because he is still negotiating with his Majesty to withdraw him from his alliance with the French king, and is doing the same with other Powers included in the league. The King further said that he doubted much whether the Emperor were not more dangerous as a friend than as an enemy, because he hopes by peace to obtain two millions of gold, with which he would be able to prosecute his designs, having been unable to do so hitherto for want of money. But his Majesty concludes that although through other channels he understands from France that the Emperor has sent to lady Margaret an ample mandate for the peace, and the French king has done the same to his mother the Regent, prefixing the time for the conclusion (20 days from the departure of Bayonne, as I understand, in which time they will probably be able to receive an answer from here), it does not seem possible that so weighty a negotiation can worthily be conducted by ladies; and he (Henry) wishes it on no account to be treated except by the Pope. To effect this result, the duke of Suffolk and his companion, whose dispatch was constantly being delayed, departed suddenly on Monday the 17th.

As the King has conversed at some length with Francesco, you will learn everything from him. I shall remove by water to Richmond, where the Cardinal is to come. I hope to learn further particulars from him. It may be that these proposals for peace have been exaggerated, to induce them (the King and Wolsey) to give the usual subsidy, which they appear to be very loth to do, as more than three months have passed since the term when one portion ought to have been paid.

* This paragraph was also contained in Campeggio's letter to Sanga of the 18th May.

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Although the King spoke as above respecting the peace being negotiated by the Pope, nevertheless he has since, in conversing with my secretary, strongly condemned the journey of his Holiness to Spain, saying that he ought by no means to go there, but remove to Avignon, especially as it would give too much reputation to the Emperor. He then said—and the Cardinal likewise—that his Rev. Lordship (Wolsey) will not cross the sea until this cause be dispatched and concluded. Notwithstanding this, I think that, even if the Pope should take this journey, he (Wolsey) will not refuse to go to his Holiness, although they speak thus. I do not say he would go to Spain, but to some place in the dominions and protection of France, where the Pope may conclude with him whatever shall seem convenient.

I have just learned that the cavalier [Casale ?] who was dispatched from here, and carried my letters of 4 April, has returned this night [the 18th ?] and gone to the court. I had not been able to discover the cause of his mission; but now* the King has told my secretary that he sent him for an augmentation of the faculty and power of the Legates in this his cause, with commission that if they obtained his desire Brian should return in post; if not, the same cavalier was to return.

To the representations of my secretary respecting the abbot of Farfa, the King replied that provision had been made for this by the French king; that it had not taken place either with his knowledge or consent; and that he (Francis) would chastise him in such a manner as would satisfy his Holiness. I have been told the same by the bishop of Bayonne, who also spoke about the signor Malatesta.

An ambassador, named Statilio, is here from king John of Hungary, having been appointed to the bishopric of Transilvania. He has been at the court of France for a year, and has obtained 30,000 ducats from the French king for the succour of his sovereign. He told me that the expressions of the French king, as also the more reserved expressions of the king of England, were to this effect: that the French king purposed, in case he were unable to bring over the Pope to his desire, to make another Pope, in doing which he was supported by many ancient and ample privileges, and, even should everything [else] fail, the bull of Julius would be sufficient. He (Francis) requested the said ambassador to use his influence with his King in this matter, so that by his means the kings of Poland and Denmark might consent to take part with his Majesty (Francis). He also requested the ambassador while on his journey to use his good offices with the king of Denmark. The ambassador replied that he could not do so, but he would endeavor to induce his King to send ambassadors to these kings (of Poland and Denmark) to inquire as to their opinion. He also told me that as a good Christian, and as a bishop designate, he had not failed to dissuade this course. I think, however, that this communication was made to him in order to strike greater terror, and that by this means they hoped to gain their ends.

Thanks for the payment of the sums due to me.

The cardinal of York by letter ordered my secretary to repair to him immediately, with Francesco and Darius, and to be at Windsor before night, as he had something of importance to tell them; and this was owing to the arrival of the cavalier (Casale ?). They reached Windsor at sunset, and found Wolsey at table. The Cardinal had been with the King all the day, and caused them to be told that as he was fatigued, they were to return in the morning at nine o'clock. They did so, and presented themselves yesterday morning, [the 19th,] to Wolsey as he issued from his chamber. Wolsey said nothing to them, but conducted them to the King; and after he had first spoken with the King, he sent to call them, that is, Francesco and my secretary. Then the Cardinal drew aside, and left the King to speak to them.

* This letter was evidently continued from day to day, like a journal, though Campeggio has sometimes omitted to give dates.

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Turning to Francesco the King said, "Do you not remember that the first time you spoke to me you told me that his Holiness would do for me all he could, *etiam de plenitudine potestatis*, and that the Rev. Campeggio told me the same?" He then recalled the place where they met, and the circumstances which then took place. Francesco replied, "Most serene King, I remember the place and the time, and the substance of all that I announced to your Majesty in our Lord's name, especially that he would do all he could, ... but I do not recollect using the form of words specified, or that the Rev. Campeggio made use of them."

While they were disputing the point the Cardinal interposed, as if to assist them in recalling those words to memory, and said to Francesco, "Do you not remember that, when it was said that his Holiness would do for my King all that lay in his power, it was questioned what this power was,—if he could use it with justice, and with authority and power; and that the answer was that he would not fail in anything that was possible?" The Cardinal wished to infer that, if the promise of all that the Pope could do includes *plenitudinem potestatis*, this last was necessarily due to them.

To this Francesco replied, "Whether these words involve this *plenitudo* or not, or whether this may be argued from that, I will not now dispute. I know very well that the words specified were not in my commission, and could not be, for when I departed from his Holiness this point was not in discussion."

The King then said, "Upon this promise *de plenitudine* I despatched Dr. Stephen (Gardiner), by whom I have demanded from his Holiness a thing which his own [representatives] even confess that he can grant *de plenitudine*, but he is unwilling to concede it; and when he is urged to observe what he has promised, he says that neither himself nor his [representatives] have promised it. And upon this point he has showed to my said ambassadors a letter of the Rev. Campeggio, in which he writes that neither he nor M. Francesco has promised any such thing, but that they have always spoken in general terms, and uttered words without any meaning, &c.; and they (the English ambassadors) declare and assert that they write the exact words, though in English." And here the King, and still more the Cardinal, made a great complaint, and said that they are not to be treated with words or in general terms, and that such terms ought not to be used with a King, or between friends. Francesco replied in an appropriate manner, and then my secretary denied that I had promised the *plenitudo*, or written as above.

They then produced the letters of Dr. Stephen, and wished to recite the very words which the ambassadors had read in my letter, but they were in English. It was represented that no argument could be founded upon them, because it was very likely that our letters had been misinterpreted, and that here the ambassadors' letters might be misunderstood, as we were more interested in the matter than they. They then complained that we had not gone beyond these [general] terms, and said that if their ambassadors had made no opposition you would by this time have revoked the cause from here, and thus have laid a great burden on the cardinal of York and me, and a great outrage on the King. And here the Cardinal dilated at length, lamenting that the Pope took such little account of the King and of the kingdom, and less of himself and his life; but he said he would never desert this cause, and would do and say before all princes that which Francesco will more fittingly declare by word of mouth.

As the Cardinal was doing his utmost to excite enmity, my secretary finally made answer to so many complaints and menaces thus: "Most serene King and most reverend Lordship, you ought to consider that my most reverend master is resident here with you as a legate of the Apostolic See, as a cardinal, as a judge, and as the servant and friend of your Majesty and reverend Lordship, and that by no words or reasons he can be diverted

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from doing the office of a legate, a good cardinal, a judge, and of your friend and servant; and in all these points he will ever regard and prefer that argument and that cause which may justly be preferred above all others. If his Holiness does not comply with your Majesty's desires, he excuses himself because he cannot do so with justice, and because it would be to the prejudice of a third party." They replied, that their demands were prejudicial to no person whatever. Lastly, as they (Francesco and the secretary) were departing, the King said to them both (in Latin), "Be good friends to me, and have pity on me."

They afterwards spoke with the Cardinal apart. Francesco will relate all that passed at greater length. They have asked him to stay a short time longer, but as I am to go to Richmond tomorrow with the cardinal of York, I will endeavor to obtain leave for him to depart. If I am unable to do so, this letter will be brought by Silvester Darius, whom they have dismissed.

With regard to my letters, they (the English ambassadors at Rome) write that you had refused to show them, and that they had read in them that these persons (the King and Wolsey) exaggerate every slightest word. Pray, consider where I am, and in what an odious negotiation, and how much inconvenience and damage this mode of proceeding may cause me. Owing to this I am subject to so much displeasure and trouble that I can say no more. London, 20 May 1529.

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20 May. **5573.** HENRY VIII. to CLEMENT VII.

Add. MS. 15,387, f. 213. B. M. Theiner, p. 563.

Has heard with great satisfaction that Silvester Darius has been appointed auditor of the Rota during his absence. Begs credence for Darius. Windsor, 20 May 1529.

Copy, Lat.

20 May. **5574.** HENRY VIII. to CLEMENT VII.

Add. MS. 15,387, f. 217. B. M. Theiner, p. 563.

Asking credence for Dr. Benet, sent in the place of Stephen Gardiner to manage the negotiations at Rome in conjunction with Sir Gregory Casale and Vannes. Windsor, 20 May 1529.

Copy, Lat.

5575. INSTRUCTIONS for DR. BENET.

R. O. St. P. VII. 171.

As the King is advertised that his ambassadors are in despair of obtaining any favor in the King's cause, and equally of obtaining the new commission and protestation, and that the Imperial agents are active in opposing the King, he sends Benet to the court of Rome in the place of Gardiner. He is to make Gardiner privy to his instructions wherever he finds him, and consult with the rest, and he shall learn what friends or adversaries the King has at Rome. He shall repair to the Pope at a convenient season, when Gardiner and Bryan shall take their leave, in doulce and moderate words, not pressing the Pope to grant the new commission or pollicitation as is contained in the letters sent by Thaddeus. If Gardiner and Bryan have left, Benet shall confine himself at first to general terms, and devising in the meantime with Gregory Casale and Vannes what is best to be done for the King's cause, and whether the Imperialists are intriguing for its avocation, and how it can be prevented. They shall do what they can to prevent any delay in the process, as it is intended to be commenced here, and carried on to the final decision; of which determination they are to say nothing to the Pope, except they find that he is favorable to it. As the King is advertised that the Emperor will refuse to send the brief into England and will transmit it to Rome, which may be a color for avocation of the cause, they shall say nothing about that matter, but take the advice of Silvester Darius, who is now appointed auditor of the Rota, joining with

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him Capasucchi, whom they shall thank in the King's name. They shall also urge the Pope to repair to the convention, keeping an eye on all practices that are made apart and leading to no good. Further instructions how they are to act if they are likely to obtain the commission and pollicitation with fuller clauses, so pursuing the matter that the Pope does not lend himself to the Imperialists.

They shall persuade him not to send a nuncio to Spain for the brief; and as the Pope expresses a wish to please the King, they shall urge him not to permit the avocation. *Signed at beginning and end.*

In Derby's hand. Endd.

Vit. B. XI. 115. B. M. 2. A draft of similar instructions.

Lat., pp. 4.

21 May. Vit. B. XI. 119. B. M. Burnet, Pt. I. Bk. II. No. 25. **5576.** WOLSEY to GARDINER, BRYAN, GREGORY CASALE and PETER VANNES.

I have received your letters of the 4th by the hands of Alexander, and the King has received his, by which we learn that the King is frustrated of his expectations from the Pope, your despair to obtain any favors from him, and the strange treatment in calling upon you to answer why the supplication presented by the Imperial ambassador for advocation of the cause should not proceed. I ascertained you by Thaddeus, who I trust has arrived long before, that, avoiding all other projects, you are to apply for a new commission, and that Stephen and Bryan are to return home; but as it seems that there is no hope of obtaining such a commission, and Stephen and Bryan are on the way home, the King sends this bearer, Mr. Bennet, well learned in the laws, to oppose the Imperialists. He will signify to you what you are to do, ascertaining you that, failing all your requests, you are to represent to the Pope the danger of losing the King's favor. Seeing, however, that the Pope would gladly preserve the King's favor, you are not to be rigorous, but only to look what may be done touching the protestation, which you will learn from Bennet's instructions. You are to withstand all the importunity of the Imperialists for revoking the commission given to Campeggio and myself, which would not fail to irritate the King and the nobles, and withdraw them from their obedience to the See Apostolic. As it appears from your last letters that the commission was not wholly denied, but that you were ordered to confer with the card. Anconitane and Simonette upon the same, and it is possible that more fat, pregnant and effectual clauses may yet be obtained, it is the King's pleasure that if Gardiner and Bryan have not yet left, they shall still endeavor to see what can be done in this matter, taking care not to alienate the Pope, or induce him to incline to an avocation of the cause. You shall further dissuade the Pope from sending to Spain for the original brief, and, if the nuncio has gone for that purpose, obtain a commandment from the Pope that no mention be made of it,—for which you can find very good excuse.

It appears by certain letters to the King and myself that the Pope is desirous of finding a way of satisfying the King, but, after consulting the lawyers, can find no satisfactory means. If, therefore, the Pope proposes an avocation of the cause, you shall tell him this is not the way to please the King, and conduct yourselves accordingly. Richmond, 21 May. *Signed.*

Pp. 7. *Add.*

21 May. Galba, B. IX. 183. B. M. **5577.** COMMISSION to the AMBASSADORS.

Commission to Wm. Benet, LL.D., Sir Gregory de Casalis, and Peter Vannes, to treat, in conjunction with French ambassadors, for peace with Charles V., for the recall of certain armies in Italy, delivery of towns, and liberation of the French king's sons, &c. Windsor, 21 May 1529, 21 Hen. VIII.

Draft, Lat., pp. 5. *Marginal notes by Throkmorton.*

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21 May. **5578.** KNIGHT to TUKE.

R. O. Sends two letters received yesterday. I have a servant continually lying at the court for the letter which should go into Scotland, and which the King is content to send, and has ordered Robertet to speed it. I thought good to send these that came from Rome without further tarrying. Amboise, 21 May.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

21 May. **5579.** MONTMORENCY to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

MS. 5,499, p. 164, Bibl. Nat. Has received his letter announcing his arrival in London, his conferences with the King and Wolsey, and the answer which he has received. Francis is much pleased to hear of their good health, and of the confidence they have in the maintenance of cordial relations, of which the coming of Suffolk and Fitzwilliam is a further assurance. Since Bayonne's departure, information has come from all quarters, especially from Spain, of the Emperor's preparations to go into Italy; and there is great reason to believe that the things for which Du Bellay was despatched have no foundation, but have been only put forward to lull us to sleep. You are therefore to to use every effort, especially with Wolsey, to urge on the coming of Suffolk and Fitzwilliam, with the provision which you write had been already made, viz., a good sum of money to employ in war; for Francis holds to his purpose more strongly than ever. Wishes for early information of their departure, that proper arrangements may be made for their reception. If, meanwhile, news come of l'Eleu Bayard, it will be sent to you immediately. Has good news from Seigneur Rance, of the 2nd inst., touching the affairs of Sicily, especially of the siege of Monopoly. The Marquis del Guasto has been compelled to withdraw, and let the town be revictualled and reinforced. Things could not go worse for the Emperor in Naples. As to Lombardy, St. Pôl was at . . . . . with 9,000 lanzknechts, French, Swiss, and Italians, on the 12th inst., intending to pass the Ticino, where he had already made his bridge, and was awaiting the army of the Signory to join him, in the hope of advancing on Milan. Bordaiziere, 21 May.

French, from a transcript, pp. 4.

22 May. **5580.** SANGA to the GOVERNOR OF PARMA.

Lettere di Principi, II. 173 b. Is writing to Monsignor di Casale*, commissary of the men-at-arms at Piacenza, touching the affair of Signor Malatesta. Rome, 22 May 1529.

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22 May. **5581.** DU BELLAY to ——

Le Grand, III. 313. I assure you, Wolsey is in the greatest pain he ever was. The dukes of Suffolk and Norfolk, and the others, lead the King to believe that he has not done as much as he could have done to promote the marriage. Francis and Madame could not do him a greater favor than to let Suffolk and his friend know by good means how urgently he has pressed them hitherto to take the thing in hand. By their last letters from Rome they feel less assurance than they had, so they are sending back Dr. Benet in post, praying, entreating, threatening, &c. I know that the Pope has a greater mind than they suppose to revoke their commission. They wanted him at once to declare the enlarged brief null and void; which he would not do. This is one of the knotty points of the business. They expect that the matter once commenced will only last two months, but I promise you it will last more than four. Seeing things are in this state, and considering the desire of the King to engage in the matter, you can imagine what difficulties attend your practice of peace, especially if it be needful to negotiate before the conclusion of the

* Qu. Francesco Casale, brother of Gregory and John. There is another letter about him, p. 174 b.

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assembly; for when that takes place you will necessarily have to negotiate apart; which is a very great danger, as it might make them forget the marriage, or dissemble for some time, and join themselves again to my lady Margaret by means of money. Moreover, before the execution of peace there might occur the death of the queen of England, or of her daughter, which would put an end to all enmities on their side. The Emperor would be happy to see you remain "en blanc," and I don't know that he would keep his promise. One good thing is, that the assignation (*l'acination*), which was to be made at once, will not be made till seven days hence, lest news come from you meanwhile (*cependant ne viendra nouvelles de vous*), especially of what Bayart has done. I will act as you shall instruct me. They profess here to have heard nothing from Madame Margaret, which makes them suppose that she wishes either to negotiate with you apart, or to deceive you. Wolsey has spoken to Campeggio of our matter of peace, which the latter has reported to me. I made light of it, and spoke of a universal peace. I think he will intimate this to your Salviati. They have power from the Pope. If anything be done here, depend upon it they want to put their pin in the game. Mark the words of the treaty of perpetual peace, that you can do nothing without the advice and consent of England; but if anything good be done you can, I think, say that it is with his advice and consent, seeing that he himself made and signed the articles, and pressed their being proposed, even to threats. So that he has no cause to complain if they are accepted by the Emperor. In that case also you have the duke of Suffolk and Wolsey's son in your hands. I am sure that if, without making appearance of anything, you show Suffolk my letters, you will do great pleasure to Wolsey.

Finishing my letter this morning I hear that John de la Sauche arrived in the evening, when I was at Richmond, and has sent to Wolsey to ask an audience. Likewise I have had a confirmation of what is in the other margin. It is a thing I have conducted by good and sure means, not without great difficulty, as you will know hereafter. I am very glad of the coming of this La Sauche. I think this mission of the duke of Suffolk may be excused by the alarm that the king of England has taken at Des Barres, which I have by my coming a little abated (*retardé*), but not removed (*rompu*), "pour la dilation que a faict Madame Dame Marguerite à mander icy des nouvelles." As to Rincon, I did not expect when I left France to find him here; but the remedy is easy. If they speak to me of it, I think I ought to use these terms, "moyennant qu'il n'y ait contradiction." London, 22 May.

P.S.—If the English at last approve of these overtures, I suspect the king of England will not send the cardinal of York, but will give you the duke of Suffolk, who, I know, does not love you too well.

French. Headed: "Lettre déchiffrée de Monsieur de Bayonne."

22 May. **5582.** DU BELLAY to ———.

Le Grand, III. 317.

I went yesterday to see the Legate at Richmond, who spoke of the mission of Suffolk, and of his own great desire that the reply of Francis and Madame should be in accordance with the assurance he has always given his master, especially about his marriage. He has begged me to urge this upon Francis, but this I have done so often already that I can only assure you that he shows more and more his affection towards Francis and the weal of his affairs, in the hope that he will not fail to do for Henry what one good brother ought to do for another, especially in the said matter of marriage, in which, if he do not exert himself as earnestly as he would do for the recovery of his children, he may be sure he will be the cause of Wolsey's total ruin, so that he never again can do him service. Henry has only been induced to enterprise this affair by the assurances Wolsey has always given, which have caused him to disregard the enmity he thereby would encounter in taking part against the Emperor. You know how to press this upon the King and Madame, and you know how much Wolsey has done for them in

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obtaining this peace with his master, for which he has sought no other return than that they would advance the affair of this marriage, by which he has always striven to break off for ever the alliance with the Emperor. He begs the King and Madame that they will straightway send a gentleman to the Pope to urge this matter, with as much earnestness as they would do the recovery of their own children if they were in his hands, and frankly to declare the indissoluble amity which exists between these two Princes, assuring him that any good turn he may do the one, he will do to the other also; and that as this affair of the king of England's marriage is just and reasonable, his refusal would be an injury to both, which they will never forgive.

I promise you if Francis and Madame will comply with Wolsey's requests, they will confer a very great favor upon the King, his master, and do him as great a pleasure as if they had made him Pope. This is not a mere idle opinion, for you know the extreme urgency with which I have pressed it all this winter, and I beg you will do your best to promote it. I have nothing more to write, having learnt no news since the departure of Suffolk and Fitzwilliam, except that Captain Rincon and the bishop have departed, wonderfully determined to do well. London, 22 May.

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5583. [VISCOUNT ROCHFORD'S RELATION.]*

R. O. St. P. VII. 179.

Francis told us that though the King might suspect the resort of John de la Shaut, William de la Barry, and Rosenbourgh unto his court, and the sending of Bayard to the lady Margaret, it was only for their own affairs and for prorogation of the truce; but he said that Bayard had brought a sufficient commission from the Emperor to Margaret to treat for a general peace; whereupon he had sent Bayard, commanding him to tell her that if she had any matters to treat beyond the articles lately sent to Spain he was on such good terms with the king of England that it would be useless. He says that he never made any practice for that commission, and he will do nothing without Henry's consent, for he never bore good will to the Emperor. He says he has sent Bayard to Margaret to inform her of the recovery of the Regent, and how she intends to be at Paris within 14 days, and to learn what are the arrangements for Cambray; and he is willing that Henry should send some one to Cambray with his own representative. He also says he has sent a gentleman to Rome, who is to join the King's ambassadors there to promote the King's great matter. He says that though there is no likelihood of the Emperor going into Italy he will increase his army. He does not think that the Pope will be persuaded to come to any Diet, for when he was in health he made unreasonable requests, which Francis could not concede. On our asking him when the Diet should be held, he said within five weeks. We told him that the King's great matter was in process, of which the Cardinal was one of the judges, and that the King wished him to be at the Diet, which could not be if it was held so soon. Whereupon he said he would delay it as long as he could without arousing lady Margaret's suspicions. He said, although he was anxious for the delivery of his children, he had little desire to marry lady Eleanor. Neither the French king nor the Great Master ever practised for peace, except as it was shown to the King.

In Rochford's hand. Endd.

22 May. Theiner, p. 581.

5584. CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Last evening I arrived here at Richmond, and learned that the Cardinal had dispatched a courier to Rome with Dr. Benet (*Bendittus*),

* This paper is in Rochford's hand; but whether written in his own name, or copied or abstracted from the papers of some other ambassador, does not appear.

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who was formerly destined to go as ambassador with Dr. Knight (*Chenit*), but they returned on the arrival of Dr. Stephen [Gardiner], who is now recalled, and this man is sent in his stead, in order that he may attend to their affairs. Do not be surprised if on their arrival you have not received my letters, because I was not aware of their departure.

I have found York greatly exasperated at the citation made to the ambassadors of this King, as he does not understand the custom of the [Papal] court, and to him the thing seems very strange. But when he learned from me how judicial matters are conducted here (*sic*, *i.e.* in Rome), he became pacified, as also with respect to the refusal to revoke the brief. I gave him to understand that the Pope had not satisfied this their desire, because he could not do so with justice, or without the greatest scandal. They rest contented with this explanation. The Cardinal told me that, in consequence of what I had frequently said to him, they had represented to the King that that demand was not honorable, and could not be granted, but his Majesty insisted that it should be attempted.

I now find his Lordship, and the King by his report, to be in great suspense, owing to this citation (*avocatione*). I think they have begun to suspect, from what their ambassadors have written to them, that I had solicited this; and on this account they make use of great menaces, as you will more fully understand from M. Francesco, the bearer. Wolsey inquired whether I credited such a revocation, and said to me that the Pope was well acquainted with the cause, the parties between whom it depended, the parties to whom it was entrusted, and the place [where it was to be tried]; that besides all this, he had promised not to revoke [it from England], but to confirm [the sentence of the Legates]; that his Holiness had revoked it because he wished to please the Emperor, and would by this means destroy the King, the kingdom, and his Lordship; and that they would not tolerate it. But they cannot on any account persuade themselves that it is true the Pope intends to revoke it. I commit myself to the most sage judgment of the Pope, who will doubtless take the best and least scandalous course. I believe they will write warmly to the French king on this subject.

In my last I mentioned the departure of the duke of Suffolk and the treasurer. The Cardinal tells me that they are commissioned to treat about matters connected with the war, and that, if the Emperor enters into Italy, the French king will certainly do the same. They will give the latter a goodly band of English troops, of whom the said [ambassadors] will be the captains.

With regard to the peace, I understand that William des Barres (*Barensis*), a Burgundian, the favorite of lady Margaret, in his return from Spain, when at the court of the French king, announced that he had a very ample mandate for the universal peace, with fair conditions for all the French king's confederates. He did not enter into particulars, because, as the negotiation was committed to lady Margaret, he thought he ought to proceed no further without first consulting her. The French king refused to give ear to him, considering it to be only intended to divert him from making preparations. Des Barres was, however, referred to Madame the Regent, who, as I understand, is very anxious for peace; and after his departure they despatched an envoy to lady Margaret, to learn the extent of these proposals. On the envoy's return they will send advices hither, for they are determined to undertake nothing without communicating with this King, though, from what little I hear, the French king himself desires peace, in order to recover his children. On the arrival of Des Barres [at Paris], the bishop of Bayonne was sent hither to communicate everything. The Cardinal has told me that he used his good offices in the Pope's behalf, and that they wish the peace to be brought about by the Pope's means, as the Pope continues in his purpose to come personally to procure it. They do not, however, approve of the Pope's going to Spain, but prefer that a congress should be held in some place on the frontiers. The French king has been informed by his ambas-

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sadors that the Venetians will not refuse to restore Cervia and Ravenna. It seems to me very appropriate that the negotiation should be conducted by the Pope; for it would be very significant if peace were brought about by any other means, and especially if this King were discontented with his Holiness on account of this matrimonial cause. Would to God that our proceeding with it may not involve the derangement of so much good.

Today a mandate has been received from lady Margaret, referring probably to the peace. The Imperial ambassador, the bishop of Burgos, who has departed on his return to Spain, writes from Calais that the Emperor, by letters of the 21st April, has commissioned him to procure, by means of the Cardinal and the King, a safe-conduct from France for an ambassador whom the Emperor desires to send hither, in order that he may come more expeditiously than he could by sea. Richmond, 22 May 1529.

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22 May. **5585.** SIR ROBERT WINGFIELD to BRIAN TUKE.

R. O.

Wrote two letters on the 20th, advertising you of Suffolk's arrival. He was attended by the Lord Chamberlain out of the Pale, and there met by the captain of Boulogne. I have received a letter from Master Secretary (Knight); also a safe-conduct for the Emperor's ambassador. I am told that upon Saturday the 8th the truce was published. Calais, 22 May 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

22 May. **5586.** WINGFIELD to TUKE.

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Presented the safe-conduct to the Emperor's ambassador, who found three faults with it: (1) his name is misspelt; (2) it has no date; (3) it is not signed by the King. The ambassador therefore declines to use it; he has written to Master Secretary on the subject, and to the Legate by John de la Sawte. Finds the entertaining of strangers here very expensive. Calais, 22 May 1529.

Hol., p. 1, *mutilated. Add.:* To the right honorable Master Bryan Tuke, of the Kyng's pryve counsell, and treasurer of his moost excellent chambyr, these be delyverd. *Endd.*

23 May. **5587.** BRIAN TUKE to WOLSEY.

R. O.

I am troubled with a fever, for which I cannot account. I have been visited by John de la Shaux, one of the two who were here at the conclusion of the truce. He wishes to know when he shall repair to the King and your Grace, to execute his charge. I prayed God that all might be well. He said he trusted there should be no fault in the Emperor. I send you a letter he brought from the Emperor's ambassador; and he said that Mr. Knight was in good health, and that he saw him at Amboise with the French king. I thought to go into Essex for a day or two, but dare not leave my chamber, "because I take a little *cassia fistula*, and find my body is sore as I were beaten with staves." London, Trinity Sunday.

P.S.—My lord abbot of St. Mary's begs me to put your Grace in remembrance for sealing of his pardon, as he lies here at great charge.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

23 May. **5588.** WOLSEY to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. I. 333.

Sends letters addressed to Brian Tuke and himself, from which the King may judge to what intent and purpose John de la Shaux is sent to England, with the practice set forth between the French king's mother and lady Margaret touching their meeting at Cambray for treating of peace. Richmond, Trinity Sunday, "at 6th of the clock." *Signed.*

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23 May. **5589.** RICHARD [NIX], BISHOP OF NORWICH, to WOLSEY.

R. O. I have not had my natural rest since my brother prior told me of your displeasure. I would be as glad as any man that the first-fruits within my diocese should be put down, so that I and my successors were sufficiently recompensed. Less than 1,000 marks yearly will be too little for that purpose. I am willing to accomplish your wishes touching your college of Ipswich, if I and my cathedral church be indemnified. I beg you will accept the true and faithful mind I bear you, and not listen to the tales of such as are my enemies. There are many that would be willing to bring ill tales if they find I am out of your favor. I begged Dr. Lee, your chaplain, to show you wherein I was wronged by your officers. I know not whether he has done so. First, as to the casualties and jurisdiction of my diocese, I have paid the composition agreed upon betwixt Dr. Alen, now archbishop of Dublin, master Tonneys, and me. It was paid last Michaelmas to Thomas Argall, scribe to my lord of Canterbury. I hear that you have given commission to Robert Waldon to exercise jurisdiction in the archdeaconry of Norfolk, for which I have compounded with you. You have received 57*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* of John Curatte, scribe to the archdeacon of Norfolk; I want to know by what title, and to what purpose, as that money ought to be at my disposal. You told Curatte that if he did not pay the money, he should go to the Fleet, and lose his office. I wish to know your pleasure in these matters, and that I may have the opportunity of answering any grudge you may have conceived against me. Hoxne, in Suffolk, 23 May 1529. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

23 May. **5590.** ROBT. LORD CURZON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Asks his favor for the bearer, Robt. Gawge, his wife's kinsman, and servant to his son Hopton, in the matters of which he will tell him. Asks him to remember his own matter with Wolsey, of which he desired Mr. Rushe to speak. Ipswich, 23 May. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Cromwell, servant to my lord Cardinal's grace. *Endd.*

24 May. **5591.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to WOLSEY.

R. O. The Pope is very ill, and is worse than ever. This morning, contrary to the advice of all his friends, he commenced taking the waters of the "grotta" of Viterbo, which heat the liver. His liver is already burnt up with medicines. Giovanni dalla Stufa and others say his malady is similar to that of the late duke Lorenzo. The signor Malatesta has had quarter from the Florentines, at which the Pope is much grieved. He is sending the bishop of Castell'amare into Hungary, to Ferdinand, to recover the tithes. Andrea di Burgo, Ferdinand's ambassador, seeks to get what he can from the Pope and the Cardinals, under pretence of great dread of the Turk, notwithstanding the Imperialists boast that the Emperor has sent 100,000 ducats into Germany, and engaged 16,000 lanceknights. Rome, 24 May 1529.

Copy, Ital., p. 1.

24 May. **5592.** ITALY.

Vit. B. XI. 123. B. M. Extract from a letter from Gregory Casale to his brother, dated Rome, 24 May.

To the same effect as the preceding.

ii. From letters of 15 May and 17 May.

Has heard from Apulia that the Imperialists have left Monopoli in confusion, that the rebels have taken a fortified place, and that the people send

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them money. The Pope, though not in bed, is still ill, and does not give audience. Count Louis Rangon, who sees the Pope frequently, says he looks worse today than he has ever done.

Lat., pp. 2.

25 May. **5593.** CARDINAL'S COLLEGE, OXFORD.

R. O. Confirmation of the grant by Sir Wm. Weston, prior of St. John's of Jerusalem, to the dean of Cardinal's College, Oxford, of the manors of Saundeford, Horspath, Littlemore, &c. Hampton Court, 25 May 21 Hen. VIII.

Lat., vellum; great seal. The initial contains a full-length portrait of Henry VIII., Cardinal Wolsey, &c., in a very high style of art, similar in character to that of 26 *May.*

26 May. **5594.** CARDINAL'S COLLEGE, IPSWICH.

R. O. Confirmation of a papal bull for the suppression of Snape, Dodnesh, &c., and dismemberment of the same, for the benefit of the said college, dated 31 May 20 Hen. VIII. Hampton Court, 26 May 21 Hen. VIII.

Lat., vellum; great seal. Portraits of the King, Wolsey, the abp. of Canterbury, and the duke of Norfolk, done with great artistic effect in the initial letter, with the royal arms and bearings magnificently tricked (qu. by Holbein?)

26 May. **5595.** WOLSEY to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. I. 334. I send letters received from the French king and the Grand Master by his ambassador here, by which you will perceive that the project for peace between the Emperor and Francis is not so far advanced as was supposed. Your counsels to be made known by your ambassadors to the latter are therefore well grounded. If Francis is in earnest the Emperor will think twice before he descends into Italy. I send letters from Gardiner, dated Rome the 9th ult., announcing the Pope's continual sickness, and that nothing new has happened in your Grace's matter since Alexander left; which is confirmed by letters sent to the legate (Campeggio) here, with which Florian intends to repair to you. I send letters received from Venice, by which you will see that your sharp letters for the delivery of Cervia and Ravenna have somewhat troubled them. I shall deal more mildly with their ambassador, for it would not be wise to require them to restore the cities, being no better assured of the Pope. The invasion of Hungary by the Turk with 150,000 horse and 200,000 foot must make some alteration in the Emperor's purpose. Richmond, 26 May. *Signed.*

Mutilated. Add. Endd.

26 May. **5596.** BRIAN TUKE to WM. EDWARDS, Wolsey's Secretary.

R. O. With regard to the French ambassador, has received an answer out of France touching the truce, and is minded to repair to Wolsey, as the books of the truce might be called for. Will send them to you. I remain here a day or two more, unless I hear to the contrary. I send a paper of an article touching Madame de Vandosme; let me hear further of the Cardinal's pleasure. I have a little disease, of which I trust I am more afraid than hurt by it. London, Corpus Christi Even, at three in the morning.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

26 May. **5597.** SUFFOLK and FITZWILLIAM to HENRY VIII.

Cal. D. XI. 22 b. B. M. * * * "[la]dy Margaret . . . . . [m]ete at Cambray and there . . . . . a peace between the French k[ing and the Emperor] . . . . . as upon the next

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morning follow[ing] . . . . . [Sa]turneday,† we departed from th . . . . . to B[oulogne], the captain whereof being well accomp[anied] . . . . . as well with gentlemen as others, not only withi[n] . . . . . leagues of your said town of Calais, met and . . . . . received" them, and gave them a dinner in Boulogne castle, where they heard the above bruit. A league and a half from Montreuil were received by Messrs. de Crequy and de Barnoylez (?) The Mayor and his brethren came to their lodging, presented them with wine and other things, and made them a harangue concerning the com[modities] of peace.

* * * "and was fo . . . . . t and that they trusted . . . . . the weal and avancement . . . . . they besought Jesu might have pl . . . . . the next day following we departed from [the said] town to Abbeville, where, forasmuch as the French king was at Amb[oise, though we] had been sore beaten by reason of lying [upon the] sea, we took post horses to bring us unto [the] town of Paris." At Amyas, the varlet of the King's chamber, who was lately in England, received and feasted them, and so did Mons. de Whartye, at his house near Clermont. Send two printed books, which a boy was selling at Brytwell (Breteuil). On their arrival at Paris last night received a letter from the Secretary, "whereby he not only advertised us * * * he intended to be the . . . . . also the said Mr. Secretary . . . . . article following.

"If the charge ye bring be to solicit the [French] king unto peace or truce, ye shall find him [well] inclined and disposed thereunto, for as much a[s it is] the Emperor's desire at this time, which to th[e intent] that peace universal may briefly take place, [has] sent his commission now of late unto the lady Margaret in most ample form. And mast[er] John de la Shaut, secretary unto the said La[dy], is now passed into England to intimate unto the King, our master, the effect of the said commission." Considering this, with the reports they have heard on the way, and the great desire all the people here have [for peace] * * * "And that great ass[emblies of peopl]e shall succeed and take [effect. An]d of all other things at our coming [to the] court we shall more amply as[certain your Grace]."

. . . . . hours after their arrival in Paris, the general of Languedoc came to their lodging, and told them that the French king was at Amboise, and had despatched the provost and baillie of Paris, named le Barre, to receive them and conduct them to him; but le Barre had not yet arrived, and had desired him to ask them to wait for him. He came today between one and two o'clock, and saluted them on his master's behalf, "saying his Grace was not only right * * * master . . . . . e was determined to draw . . . . . which of two or three ways wh . . . . . he was not assured which of they[m the King would t]ake," and therefore desired them to wait here tomorrow, and on Friday he would accompany them to Estampes, where he would hear which way his master would come, and would then conduct them to him. Answered that the King had commanded them to use diligence, but, for the reasons he alleged, and because the French king had appointed him as their conductor, they would comply with his request, "and desired him to advertise * * * . . . . . to Orleans, who we . . . . . thither, to the intent he may . . . . . the said Friday at night at Es[tampes] . . . . . for that we may as well consult and . . . . . together of our charge at this time as . . . . . we may be sure that we shall not fa[il] . . . . . him to be with us at the time of our audience." Paris, 26 May. *Signed.*

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26 May. **5598.** SUFFOLK and FITZWILLIAM to WOLSEY.

Cal. D. XI. 26. B. M.

* * * . . . er occurrents a . . . . . on to these parties. It should . . . . . any thing of the same unto y . . . . . we know well his Highness woll [make your Grac]e privy unto the circumstances the . . . . . [th]is shall be therefore but only to ascertain [your] Grace" that the dean of Wells had prepared a lodging for us before our arrival here, furnished it with his plate and other things, caused his servants to wait upon us, as but few of ours had arrived, and has himself kept us company. Request Wolsey to thank him. Paris, 26 May. *Signed.*

P. 1, *mutilated. Add.:* To my lord Cardinal's grace.

26 May. **5599.** MARGARET OF SAVOY to CHARLES V.

Lanz, I. 300.

Is compelled to use cipher in answer to the Emperor's instructions respecting the peace. Has arranged with Bayard a conference between herself and the French king's mother, Madame d'Angosmois, at Cambray, on the 15th of June. On the return of Rosymboz and Des Barres from Charles to Margaret, as they were passing through the French court, Francis and Madame his mother told them that they desired to give notice of this negotiation for peace to the English, whom they did not wish to displease, and whose aid they required for the indemnity and the debts. They sent a duplicate of the letter which they intended to write to the king of England; but Bayard has since informed Margaret that they had changed their purpose, and would send the bishop of Bayonne to the said King with only a letter of credence. Has therefore sent John de la Sauch to England, to advertise the King of the said conference, and to assure him that the Emperor will do nothing repugnant to the ancient amity between them, but will comprehend him if a treaty be made. Francis and Madame fear that the Cardinal (Wolsey) will desire to be present at the conference, and therefore wish it to take place shortly.

Advises the Emperor to give up his intended journey into Italy, at least till after the conference at Cambray, when the men-at-arms here and the lansquenets will be ready to march. Thinks it inconvenient to advertise Charles of any difficulties which may arise in the negotiations, and to await his determination, as he expressly requested her to do; for without some brief conclusion the king of France will certainly send a fresh army into Italy; and he will, doubtless, be urged to do so by the king of England and the other allies. Already, as Margaret learns from letters of Mons. de Bourgos, the king of England has sent the duke of Suffolk into France for this purpose, and dispatched others to Italy with money. If Charles were in agreement with the kings of France and England, the Venetians could not remain at war alone, but would be compelled to surrender their possessions in Naples. The ready money which, after deducting the debts to England, Charles desires to receive in full, cannot easily be transmitted. The goods of Frenchmen here would furnish him with a much better security than the merchants can give.

Bayard has requested that, if the King his master cannot obtain from the English the obligations and pledges (*gaiges*) which they hold for the moneys lent by them to the Emperor, Charles should be content to fix upon some reasonable terms on which Francis himself could pay the moneys to the Emperor, giving him certain merchants of Antwerp as security.

Francis and Madame have also requested that if the king of England and other princes are to be comprehended in the peace, a separate league, offensive and defensive, should be concluded between the Emperor and France.

Cannot break the truce and invade France, as Charles desires, in case Francis should make an incursion into Navarre during Charles's absence from

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Spain, owing to the low state of the finances here, and the proposed withdrawal of forces from hence for the Emperor's aid in Italy. He should consider that in breaking the truce with the French, he breaks it also with the English, who have absolutely and frequently declared that they will not observe the truce without the French. Brussels, 26 May 1529.

A gentleman is come to Margaret from the queen of England, to inform her that since the return of him who went thither (to Rome) ? for the breve of dispensation the King is more determined than before to proceed to the divorce. The Queen desires Margaret to send into England two well qualified persons to interpellate the requisite appeals on her part. As Charles has intimated, by Rosymboz and Des Barres, that he does not wish this affair to be proceeded with in the realm of England, or by the judges delegated for the cause, and that Margaret should send no one thither, she will send to Mechlin to consult the gentlemen of the long robe, in order to do therein all that shall be found necessary. If the personage whom Charles intended to send thither has not yet departed, he will do well to despatch him in haste, for the poor Queen is so perplexed that she can do no more, and there is no person who dares to meddle in this affair contrary to the King's pleasure. Written on the 27th.

French.

28 May. R. O.

5600. CLEMENT VII. to ROLAND LEE, LL.D.

A dispensation to hold a plurality of benefices, even of the Cistercian and Cluniac orders, to the value of 1,000 ducats. Rome, 28 May 1529, 6 Clement VII.

Lat., vellum. Endd. by Wriothesley : "A brief granted by the bishop of Rome to Dr. [Ro.] Lee, now bishop of Chester."

28 May. Colbert MS. 468, p. 592. Bibl. Nat. MS. 5,499, p. 66.

5601. THE BISHOP OF BAYONNE to MONTMORENCY.

On the 28th inst. received your despatch of the 21st, by which I see that the practice of the peace is of as weak foundation as Francis and Madame have always believed. This has given great satisfaction to Wolsey ;—not for any ill will towards the peace, which is the thing he and his master wish most to advance, but because he sees you are more alive to the designs of the enemy than he supposed. Wolsey also has so many who bear him ill will, that it has not been without cause that he has urged you through me and through Suffolk to make the greatest possible efforts in every place where the enemy can possibly press you, especially in Italy, which is the principal pillar of the prosperity or ruin of either side. He advises that Francis should make even now a great effort in Lombardy in aid of the King his good brother, and above all things endeavour to take Milan, which will give you a greater advantage when you come to treat of peace. Wolsey also says it is an idea of the King his master, that meanwhile, by indirect means, especially by Mons. de St. Pôl, the towns of Parma and Piacenza should be got to surrender, and that while they were discussing whether St. Pôl had done well or ill, they might make the Pope speak in another tone, as is due in consideration of the great benefits he has received from the two Kings. Wolsey is very glad to understand that the affairs of Lombardy and Naples are in such good condition, and desired me to send an extract from your letters to the King his master, who, he is sure, would take great pleasure in it. Further, after enlarging on the indissoluble alliance between the two Kings, he told me how much Henry was concerned about his present matter, not only for the discharge of his conscience and his desire to have issue, but for the security of the succession, and that he does not wish it to be said that

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he forbore to have the subject cleared up in consequence of the threats of his enemy. He had, therefore, desired Wolsey to petition Francis with all urgency to send a gentleman of his chamber to the Pope, to set forth the cordial friendship that existed between the two Kings, showing that whatever hurt the one must hurt the other also, and that if, in an affair so maturely considered by good men and great clerks, the Pope do not act according to honor and gratitude to the two Kings, he should consider what a blow to Christendom would be the loss of two such powers,—adding in this matter the arguments in my last letters, and showing clearly that he has this affair quite as much at heart as the deliverance of his children. Such a demonstration would augment, if possible, the great amity. Thinks all this had better be communicated to Francis and Madame by Le Menu, who will convey it even better than Du Bellay's letters.

Jean de la Sauch has been here with the King and Wolsey, with letters of credence from Madame Margaret, which I have seen. In the letters to the King she says he may be assured she will never think of doing anything prejudicial to their ancient amity. The credence was that Des Barres being on his way to France for the prolongation of the truce, and from thence going to the Emperor on her business, Madame (Louise) had said that it was great pity mortal war should take place between these Princes; and that on his answering he was equally sorry, Madame had said to him that if the Emperor and she were sorry, nothing was easier than a remedy, considering the good disposition of Francis, whom she had continually admonished and persuaded. On this Des Barres asked if he might give the Emperor full assurance of it; and she said, yes. He had related all this to the Emperor, from whom he had brought ample powers to his mistress to treat of the said peace, and that she wished consequently to meet Madame and see what could be done about it, but thought it right to inform the king of England beforehand in consideration of their ancient amity. La Sauch returns today with a most honorable answer from the King and Wolsey. On this subject Wolsey says he thinks we ought to listen to what they wish to say, but in the manner which follows: Let Madame come to Paris with fair professions that she wishes nothing but peace, and by this means (*par ceste pratique*) send to know the conditions, and find little difficulties on behalf of the King and the confederates. Nevertheless, let the King know, in Italy, "ce que dessuz." Also during the said time let the King his good brother despatch the affair of his marriage. Meanwhile September will come, and before matters have been concluded October will pass. The Emperor, who will have been engaged in these practices of peace all the summer, and will have put off his passage on that account, will fall in the esteem of all the world from the failure of his vaunted passage, while you will be fortified with friends and with conquests, and the king of England will have gained his object. The Emperor will then be very glad to make peace on honorable conditions. Meanwhile Wolsey thinks you should urge the Pope to come to some meeting, either that proposed or some other; and his presence cannot fail to do good if the said meeting be in France, for he well knows that whatever language he would like to speak, they will teach him to talk French. London, 28 May.

French, from a transcript, pp. 7.

29 May. **5602.** WOLSEY and CAMPEGGIO to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 177.

Transmit to him certain letters received by them from Clement VII. touching the validity of the King's marriage. Beg to learn his pleasure with reference to the execution of the said letters, and their proceedings in this case. Westm., 29 May 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

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29 May. **5603.** SANDS and WYNGFIELD to HENRY VIII.

Cal. D. XI. 66. * * * "of knowledge . . . . . .
B. M. . . . s pleasure is concer[ning] . . . . . we made by our said bill . . . . . we do write these unto your Hig[hness to] put your Grace in remembrance [that by] vert[ue] of your high commissions . . . . . other aswell for fortifications [as for] musters to be taken. Also order bet[ween your] Highness and your tenants within your pa[le] . . . . as also upon sewers, we, as commission[ers and] justices of the same, have endeavoured our s[elves] as much as hath been to us possible that . . . . . of those charges which were committed unto . . . . . others by either of your said Highness commissio[n] . . . . . hath been omitted or deferred in our defa[ult], in so much that in all those things which [do] appertain to the recovering of your countries h[ere] which lay under the water, and was in gr[eat] peril of more harm, we have constreyn[ed] your tenants here to do all things necessary to be done by them. Also we have caused t[o be] done, and is now in doing, divers things wh[ich] doth appertain to our charge, being of such important necessity that without the same h[ad] be[e]n done with th[at] which is doing, the acty[on] of your tenants being brought about with great cost, should have taken small or rather none effect, of which, because we have the experience, we do certify your Grace that those things which have been found and brought before us by verdict of substantial and honest men belonging to our charge, may be made in such perfection as is desired, it shall not fa . . . . . nge the s . . . . . t of your tenants and subje[cts] * * * by mean . . . . . ne in the end of . . . . . on the rivers and of y . . . . . [riv]ers which have their course . . . . . [ri]vers that there is soowm this ye . . . . . said pale above 10,000 acres which . . . . . before lay so oppressed with water [that they did not] bear grass or corn to any profit . . . . . inhabitants of those parts, were in s[uch utter] misery that they were fain to go th . . . . . upon hardills and planks, where now th[ere is] as goodly corn toward as can stand on . . . . . ground to the great comfort and rejoice [of all] such as see the same." If the rivers in the West pale are cast and . . . . . performed in such manner, great wealth will ensue to the King's tenants, and great commodity to this town, and the fortresses of Guisnes and Hamps, both for conveying victuals and wood during p[eace], and for conveying other necessaries from Calais to the fortresses during war. Advises that skilful men should be appointed to consider what profit may ensue from the diking. Hope "that your Highness will cause Robert Fowler, your under-treasurer here, to be . . ."

f. 67. * * * "your self . . . . . nces to come, and as tou[ching] . . . . . [Hi]ghness may be sure that w[e] . . . . . shall employ our wits a[nd] . . . . . [to the] uttermost that nothing is or s[hall] . . . . . if we may help to the contrary . . . . . [we] know well that your Highness hath . . . . . all ready a large sum of money to th . . . . . before mentioned, of which more than . . . . . hath been laid out for necessary provisi[on, and] delivered to Sir William Skevington for the ord[ering] and mounting of your ordnance here and be[longing] to this town, also to your other fortresses . . . . . Guysnes, Hamps and Newnhambridge, and your c[astle] here; yet in consideration that, as before is sai[d, our] trust is that by mean of your large exspe[nses] this year, both doubt and expenses shall [be] minished for the time coming," we spare no pains to set in hand everything that is meet to be done this summer. Think that if the King saw and knew everything here, as they do, he would not wish undone anything that is done, or that what they have begun this summer should be unperformed. Calais, 29 May 1529. *Signed.*

Pp. 3, *mutilated. Add. Endd.:* 19 May.

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29 May. **5604.** SANGA to CAMPEGGIO.

Lettere di Principi, II. 175.

My last letter was dated the 15th inst., when I had received yours of 3 April, the duplicate of which, with a short postscript, came with your letter of the 12th. I see that up to that date my letter of 19 March was the last you had received; so that you still have to answer mine of the 10, 13, and 27 April, and of the 1, 4, 8, and 15 May. I should be displeased that none of these letters had reached you on the 12th, if I did not learn from your letter to the bishop of Feltre that the cause of the delay was that the courier had forwarded them to the court of France in the packet for the Cardinal (Salviati) my son. I informed you of the protestations made here, and of the commissions presented by the ambassadors of the Emperor and the king of Hungary, of which I sent copies, stating that the Pope had till then refused to sign them, and that he wished to do everything consistent with justice for the King's satisfaction. Since then the Pope has had a fourth attack of his complaint, and has been taking the water of the Grotto of Viterbo; so that little negotiation has been carried on. I cannot therefore tell you any more about that cause than I have already written. Signor Brian and Doctor Stephen (Gardiner) are about to depart.

To yours of 3 April I made answer on the 21st ult. It only remains to reply to the postscript added to the duplicate, touching the Lutheran books (*libretti*) dispersed throughout the Court. The Pope was greatly pleased with what you said in conversing with the King on this subject, and also with the good mind showed by the King. Although the King is moved to this by his virtue, and may expect worthy rewards for it from God, you are to thank him infinitely on the Pope's behalf, and pray him firmly to maintain that shield of defence of the Church which he took up with so much glory to himself. You are also to thank the most illustrious cardinal of York, whose vigilance and prudence, combined with the King's good mind, has kept and keeps that island clear of such monsters. This result appears miraculous, considering how many times attempts have been made to introduce the infection into that most happy kingdom. If the Cardinal could also induce the King to write, as he did on a former occasion, something worthy of his Majesty, he would renew the glory he has already acquired, and it would for a long while assure that most happy kingdom from such contagion.

Would to God that, either by means of the King and Cardinal, or by some other, a way to some peace could be found, as otherwise everything will go to ruin. I think there could not be much to arrange, if the envoys of Madame Margaret and the duke of Savoy bring back a favorable reply from Spain.* By letters of the 26th ult. we learn that these envoys had been despatched by the Emperor. We have heard no more touching his Majesty's coming.

In order that you should have some "entertainment," while it is being decided how to satisfy your pensions for the legation and for the [office of the] "Signatura," an assignment of 1,000 scudi has been given to the bishop of Feltre, who will endeavor that you shall be able to avail yourself of it. You know the Pope's poverty, and that we have exhausted all we had. Do not therefore be surprised that you have not been provided betimes or to the full amount due.

Although everything has been done to let these ambassadors know that the Pope has done nothing for the King's satisfaction, because he could not act contrary to duty without very great scandal, yet I doubt whether they, being very zealous in their master's service, will rest satisfied. It is needful that you should take the utmost precautions that any complaint they make

* "haranno riportato di Spagna alcun' attacco da poter far bene."

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on their arrival may not infuse dissatisfaction with his Holiness into the mind of the King and Cardinal, as he is doing what he can to satisfy the King, provided he see a way to do so without very great scandal.

There you will have, by way of Germany, fresher advices [than we have] of the preparations and movements of the Turk. Here we have letters from Venice of the 22nd, stating that he was to march in person on the 2nd, and that no [Sultan] ever made greater preparation for war than this one. I foresee ruin, unless God help us. King Ferdinand, by his ambassador here, has prayed for assistance. As it is the common cause of Christendom, the Pope would have liked to do more; but as he could give nothing else he has given him the same faculties of aiding himself by imposts on ecclesiastical property as were given to the last King. This enemy is one to be dreaded, especially as he finds the body of Christendom weak and bloodless, and Germany divided.

(The rest was in cipher.)

If the Pope were not certain that you are strictly mindful of the injunctions which he gave you by word of mouth, and which have been since written to you many times, especially in the first four letters which I wrote when you first entered into England, and lastly by Francesco da Colle, he would be in a very anxious state of mind, and would have expected to have been informed by yours of the 12th that the cause would be proceeded with after Whitsuntide. His Holiness has always desired that it should be protracted, in order to find some means by which he could satisfy the King without proceeding to the sentence. You may rest assured that the citation of the cause hither, which you have frequently insisted on, has been deferred, not because it was doubted whether the matter could be treated with less scandal here than there, but because his Holiness has ever shrunk from having to take a step which would offend the mind of that most serene King. But since you have not been able to prevent the commencement of the proceedings, his Holiness warns you that the process must be slow, and that no sentence must in any manner be pronounced. For this purpose you will not lack a thousand means and pretexts, if upon no other point, at least upon the breve which has been produced.

You have sustained this burden until now with great dexterity and patience, and therefore the Pope doubts not you will in like manner be able to sustain it till such time as your counsel to cite the cause hither can be followed with less offence to the King's mind. That course cannot justly be objected to, as the Imperial and the Hungarian ambassadors have made protests and presented their commissions, of which I sent you copies. But his Holiness has continued to shirk signing them, by holding out the hope to them that no proceedings will be taken there unless the commissions are signed; as his Holiness trusts you will be able to procure this by the excuse touching the breve. Consequently the scandal would now be so much the greater if these ambassadors come to suspect that his Holiness had given them mere words in respect to his willingness to sign the commissions, in order to gain time for you to proceed to judgment. You see how many perils this involves, both to the Pope and the See Apostolic, and to all Christendom; and therefore *sustineas etiam modicum.* Be assured that his Holiness will find means to relieve you of this burden before you have sustained it so long as to feel any distress. Although this matter is important, as you know, I have perhaps used more words than necessary; but they are probably too few to express to you the Pope's mind, that you are not to come to judgment on any consideration, so peremptorily did he deliver it to me. Rome, 29 May 1529.

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29 May. **5605.** CARDINAL SALVIATI to ———.

Lettere di Principi, II. 177.

Reminds him of what he wrote on the 15th, touching the affairs of the duke of Albany with "our little Duchess." Rome, 29 May 1529. *Ital.*

29 May. **5606.** VANNES to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 124. B. M.

Writes by a chance courier, although Wolsey will hear all that has been done from Gardiner and Bryan by word of mouth. Since Alexander left, has not been able to see the Pope, who has been troubled with pains in the stomach, and has been taking the water of the baths. Gardiner and Bryan will leave in five days, if they can within that time take leave of the Pope. Matters are still delayed, but he will hasten them as much as possible. *Jacobo Salviati seems to suspect something from this recall of Gardiner. Are managing his departure so that nothing may be done which may hinder Wolsey's plans at home.* Hears from his physician at Genoa that the Emperor's intended journey seems to be laid aside. The count of St. Pôl has been reinforced by the Venetians, and intends to assault Milan. The Imperialists are losing ground in Apulia. All wonder at the duke of Suffolk's arrival in France. The Turk is said to be preparing to attack the Christians. The Emperor has sent money to Naples by letters of exchange, but as everything is consumed there, nothing but the letters will arrive at the camp. Thanks Wolsey for his letters, and desires to be recalled. Cannot obtain the expedition of the office of collector, which he procured from Card. Rudolfi for a pension of 1,000 gold pieces. Requests Wolsey to write in his favor, and to ask the King and Campeggio to do the same. Rome, 29 May 1529.

Hol., Lat., pp. 3. *Add. Endd. Part cipher deciphered.*

5607. BULLS REQUIRED.

R. O.

"Tres instructiones pro bullis obtinendis statum religionis concernentibus."

i. Instructions for obtaining a commission to erect abbacies into bishoprics. A commission to be directed to the Legates. Let it be requested on the King's behalf.

Let a faculty be granted, in monasteries of every order, for the erecting abbacies into bishoprics, dividing the possessions, portioning out dioceses, constituting archdeaconries, and uniting with them parish churches, and for consecrating the abbots as bishops, and dispensing with them for adopting the hat (*biretus*), rochet, and other episcopal vestments.

ii. Instructions for obtaining a faculty to suppress monasteries of any order to the yearly value of 6,000 ducats. A commission to be directed to the cardinal of York. Let it be requested on the King's behalf.

The substance of the request is that the Pope will allow monasteries to the annual value of 6,000 ducats to be dissolved, and their possessions applied to the colleges of Windsor, founded by king Edward, and of St. Mary and St. Nicholas, Cambridge, commonly called King's College, founded by Hen. VI.

iii. Instructions for uniting monasteries, and for dealing with the monks.

Let a commission be directed to Wolsey and Campeggio. Let it be requested on the King's behalf. Let the cause be the conservation of religion, which cannot be observed except in communities of a sufficient number, individuals scattered in small monasteries bringing nothing but discredit upon religion. Let the Cardinals have a commission to unite, at their discretion, those monasteries which cannot support twelve religious out of their fruits, and

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make one perfect out of several imperfect; prescribe what is to be given to the poor; and shut up the nuns within walls according to the canons.

Pp. 5. Latin; in the hand of the Prothonotary Casalis? Endorsed by Vannes as above.

29 May. R. O. Rym. XIV. 291.

5608. MONASTERIES and CATHEDRALS.

Bull of Clement VII. for suppressing certain monasteries and erecting cathedral churches; with a "non obstantibus" clause omitted in the former bull, and for enabling the abbots to become bishops. Rome, 4 kal. Junii 1529.

Lat., vellum. Sealed.

30 May. Bibl. Nat. 2,986, f. 5.

5609. HENRY VIII. to MONTMORENCY.

Writes at the request of card. Campeggio, that Simon de Bynes, master courier of the Florentines living at Lyons, may enjoy the post of master of the couriers as before. Windsor, 30 May 1529.

French, from a transcript.

30 May. Bibl. Nat. 5,499, f. 130. B. M.

5610. THE BISHOP OF BAYONNE to MONTMORENCY.

I went yesterday to see the Legate at Richmond. He spoke to me of Suffolk's voyage, and of his great desire that the answers of the King and Madame, and the result, might be in accordance with the assurances which he has always given to his master, especially in what relates to his marriage, and he asked me to write to the King about it. I will not repeat all his arguments, as I have already often told you of his desire to maintain friendship between the two Kings. He shows more and more his affection for the King, hoping that he will act like a good brother to the king of England, especially in this matter of the marriage. If Francis does not act in this as earnestly as he would do for the deliverance of his sons, he will cause Wolsey's total ruin, and thus prevent him from serving him; for the hopes which Wolsey has held out to his master have caused him to disregard his ancient friendship with the Emperor. You can tell this better to the King and Madame than I can write it. You know very well what Wolsey has done for that object, promising them this good peace for his master, without asking any other recompense than that they should take in hand this affair of the marriage, and thereby break for ever the conjunction of the two masters, treating it as if it was their own proper business, and using all their power to the last with the Pope and elsewhere. He, moreover, entreated them, and affectionately desired you to solicit for him, in this matter, seeing it concerns his master's chief interest, and he would like to have it put in train tomorrow and brought to a conclusion. For which purpose he hopes Francis will send a gentleman to urge the Pope as earnestly for the King's matter as he would for the deliverance of his children; to tell him that their friendship is such that any kindness he confers on the one he confers likewise on the other; that if he refuses this just request of the king of England the injury will never be forgotten by either King, and he will have cause to repent of his ingratitude; that if he will not impart his grace and justice he shall never be able to dispose of their forces and kingdoms.

If the King and Madame will do this, Wolsey will esteem it more than if they made him Pope. He is so concerned at seeing his master, whom he loves more than himself, in his present trouble, that I wonder he does not die of vexation. This is nothing new, for you remember his urgent requests made last winter by his order to the King and Madame.

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Urges Montmorency to use his influence.
Suffolk and Fitzwilliam will give him the news. "Le capitaine Remond ———* sont partis merveilleusement deliberez de bien faire."
French, pp. 4. *From a transcript, dated in the margin at the head,* "Londres, 30 Mars,† 15 . . "

30 May. **5611.** To CARDINALS WOLSEY and CAMPEGGIO.

R. O. Licence to proceed in the cause touching the validity of the King's
Rym. XIV. 295. marriage with Katharine, according to their commission from Clement VII., dated Viterbo, 6 id. Jun. 1528, 5 Clement VII. Windsor, 30 May, 21 Hen. VIII.
Great seal attached. Endorsed.

R. O. 2. A copy of the above, signed by the King, but without the attestation.
Lat., vellum.

30 May. **5612.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Receipt by Stephen Gardiner and Peter Vannes of 3,000 g. cr. of the sun from Ansaldo de Grimaldis, merchant of Genoa, for the King's service, on letters of credit from D. Jo. Joachin sent from Venice; of which sum Gardiner received 1,500 cr., and 1,500 cr. were retained by Vannes partly on account and partly to despatch bulls. 30 May 1529. *Signed.*
Lat., p. 1. *Endd.*

31 May. **5613.** THE DIVORCE.

R. MS. 7 C. XVI. f. 254. B. M. On 31 May 1529, in the Parliament Chamber near the convent of the Friars Preachers, John bishop of Lincoln presented to cardinals Wolsey and Campeggio the commission from the Pope, which was read by Florian Montini, of Ferrara, notary, and accepted by the Cardinals, in the presence of William Claiburgh, prothonotary, Richard Watkins and William Claiton, notaries, John Yselip, abbot of St. Peter's, Westminster, Cuthbert Marshall, archdeacon of Nottingham, William Warham, archdeacon of Canterbury, Richard Doke‡, archdeacon of Salisbury, William Frankeleyn, chancellor of Durham, Roger Edgeworth, Henry Ratclif, John Seintcler and Thomas Arundel. The Cardinals then appointed John bishop of Lincoln and John bishop of Bath and Wells to summon the King and Queen to appear on June 18, between 9 and 10 a.m., the Bishops taking an oath to perform this duty.
Lat., pp. 5. *Signed by Richard Watkyns.*

Vit. B. XII. 46. B. M. 2. Draft of the same.
Lat., pp. 5.

Vit. B. XII. 7. B. M. 3. Fair copy of the above, reciting the bull of commission to Wolsey and Campeggio, dated Viterbii, 6 id. Jun. 1528. (No. 4345.)
Lat., pp. 19, *mutilated.*

Vit. B. XII. 39. B. M. 4. Commission of Wolsey and Campeggio to persons not named to cite Henry VIII. and queen Katharine to appear before them, the time and place being left blank. *Signed:* Jo. Hughes.
Lat., draft, pp. 3, *mutilated.*

Vit. B. XII. 42. B. M. 5. Summons of Wolsey and Campeggio to Henry VIII. and Katharine of Arragon to appear in the Parliament Chamber near the Friars Preachers,

* Blank in transcript. † So in transcript: *qu.* "Mai"?
‡ Ducke, in Vit. B. XII. f. 13 b.

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London, on Friday, June 18, between 9 and 10 a.m., and appointment of the bishops of Lincoln and Bath and Wells as apparitors.

Memorandum of the reading of the above summons in the Parliament Chamber, 31 May 1529, by Campeggio.

Lat., draft, pp. 7.

Vit. B. XII. 40 b. B. M.

6. Form of the oath to be taken by the apparitors of the legates, Wolsey and Campeggio, for the citation of the King and Queen.

Memorandum of the taking of the above oath by the bishops of Lincoln and Bath and Wells. 31 May 1529.

Lat., draft, p. 1.

Vit. B. XII. 41 b. B. M.

7. "Forma ex tenore commissionis datur procedendi in hac causa usque ad petitionem divortii ex mero officio judicum per inquisitionem et non ad alicujus partis instantiam. Unde, partibus comparentibus, necesse est quod vel per ipsos eosdem judices articuli partibus administrentur et porrigantur, vel saltem per quædam in promotorem necessarium per ipsos judices ad coadunandum ipsorum officium assumptum et deputatum sic porrigantur, et hujusmodi articuli sint tales quales pars ipsa si matrimonium accusasset porrigeret tam contra dispensationem quam contra matrimonium." *Signed:* Jo. Hughes.

31 May. **5614.** ITALIAN NEWS.

Vit. B. XI. 125*. B. M.

Copy of news from the camp at Milan. The French are in Rosa, and are besieging the castle of Biagrassa. Count Claudio Rangone has been wounded in the face during a skirmish, and has taken prisoner Alonzo Valdemar, a Spanish captain of light horse. Marignano, 31 May 1529.

Ital., p. 1.

Ibid., f. 138*.

2. Translation of the above.

Lat., p. 1. *Endd.:* Ex literis d. Gregorii de Cassalis ad fratrem, de 24 Maii.

31 May. **5615.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 294.

Papal instrument attesting that the dominical year in papal breves is computed from the Nativity of Our Lord, and in bulls from the Incarnation. Notarial attestation dated 31 May. Rome, 29 May 1529.

Lat.

31 May. Ibid., 296.

2. Attestation of Augustine cardinal of S. Cyriac, to the effect that only two breves were found in the Apostolic Chamber relating to the dispensation of Julius II. Rome, 31 May 1529.

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31 May. **5616.** CLEMENT VII. to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 178.

Stephen Gardiner and Francis Bryan will testify his desire to oblige the King. The King cannot doubt of his affection and his gratitude for his services to the See Apostolic, but he cannot proceed as the King desires without grave reproach. Refers him to Campeggio. Rome, 31 May 1529. *Signed:* "J."

Hol., Lat. Add. Sealed. Endd.

31 May. **5617.** THE SAME to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 138. B. M. Burnet, I. ii. 26.

To the same effect. Rome, 31 May 1529.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Address pasted on.*

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31 May. **5618.** LEE to WOLSEY.

R. O. Sent by Curzon the "monitory" of the bishop of Palencia, which, if sent to Rome, will in four terms declare him excommunicate. We have also sent it for the archbishop of Toledo. He is chief of the Emperor's council, and it would have been better if he had not been at Toledo. We send two instruments, and the copy of the answer made to Pernott's proposition. My lord of Worcester is convinced that the breve is false, by reason of the date, and writes to you about the same. Valladolid, 31 May 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

31 May. **5619.** LEE to HENRY VIII.

Vesp. C. iv. 323. B. M. Came hither on May 8. *Before leaving Saragossa sent a person to the court with directions to send them news secretly. Hears from him that at Barcelona there are* 24 *galleys, and at Tortosa* 4, *ready made, but unarmed. There are two belonging to the lord of Monaco armed. Captain Portundo has come from Malaga with two galleys armed, one foist, one galleon,* 4 *ships, and* 2 *caravels, bringing certain masters,* 500 *men,* 10,000 "*canters*" *of biscuit, and ordnance and munitions for the finishing of the galleys, but there still are required many men to govern them,* who cannot be soon provided. Bread is very scarce at Barcelona. The Emperor still intends to cross to Italy. In other letters, dated May 11, he writes that *two of the galleys are ready, and that he supposes* 15 *will be in a few days. The archbishop of Barry has written that all manner of victuals are ready. The captains and soldiers are drawing towards Malaga.* Many who before *did not believe that the Emperor would go to Italy, have changed their minds, seeing the haste in preparing these galleys, and the convention with the king of Portugal for* 350,000 *ducats, and think he will go before the end of July. Finds that Gonsalo Farnandes, who, he wrote, had gone to England, was sent by the Emperor to the earl of Desmond, and has now returned with a chaplain of the Earl's. The man who conveyed Gonsalo to Desmond told Thomas Badcock. The matter is mentioned* more at length in their common letters. Wrote *some time ago that information about the brief might be had from Farnandes; but there is now no need, for the bishop of Worcester is sure the brief is of no value, having collated it with another bull and brief since he came hither,* of which he probably writes to Wolsey. Could never think otherwise than *that it was suspect, when he first heard of it. He that is truth will provide that the truth shall be known.* Has heard nothing yet *of the rescripts, nor had any letters from the ambassadors at Rome.* Has little to write, as they are so far from the Court. Valladolid, 31 May 1529.

Hol., pp. 2. *The cipher deciphered by Tuke. Add.*

31 May. **5620.** GHINUCCI and LEE to WOLSEY.

Vesp. C. iv. 324. B. M. Repeat the news from Barcelona which is contained in Lee's letter of the same date to the King. *The Emperor will find it difficult to get possession of the money called of the table of Barcelona, which is reckoned to be* 100,000 *ducats.*

Lee received, on 30 May, a letter from Thomas Batcock, who dwells at the Renderie (Renteria), stating that on 17 May *John Gwyn of Balaskelaye or St. Michael's in Ireland,* arrived at St. Sebastian's, and that he heard from him that the *earl of Desmond was content with his servant's despatch hence, and with the Emperor's letters.* The courier who was sent *by the Emperor to the Earl* told him *that he conducted Gonsalo Fernandes from the place of his landing to Dingwell, where the Earl made him great*

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cheer, and he supposed that now *Fernandes had arrived in Spain with a chaplain of the Earl's. Gwyn said that Fernandes could speak very good English*, so it must be the person of whom they wrote. *Badcock* could not find out *from Gwyn what commission he had to the Emperor, but the mariners say that he comes to get 4,000 men to teach the Irish war. Gwyn denies this, but he is suspect, as he does much service to the Earl; he conveyed his servant to the court, and the Emperor's chaplain to him, and now will convey the Earl's chaplain to the court. He told Batcock that an Irish lord* named *Cormagog is making war on the Earl; that all the Irish rebels have submitted to the King, except the Earl, and he thinks he will shortly.* Wolsey knows this best. *There are shrewd tokens* of craft in Gwyn. Send *by sea copies of two instruments, and of the answer made to Pernott's proposition.* Will not send the originals *till they have a sure man by land.* Think there is no need to make haste, *as Ghinucci is well assured by the date that the brief is false.* Valladolid, 31 May 1529. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *In Lee's hand. The cipher deciphered by Tuke. Add.*

31 May. **5621.** GHINUCCI.

Vesp. C. IV. 327. B. M.

Extract from letters of the bishop of Worcester, dated Valladolid, 31 May.

Cannot yet believe in the Emperor's journey to Italy, considering the rumor of an invasion of Spain by the French king; but if the Imperialists have some marked success in Italy, as the Emperor is very obstinate, Ghinucci will feel uncertain about it. Has written about the instruments made by his servant Andrew, who was created a notary for this purpose, and by a notary of Saragossa, attesting their endeavors to find the Imperial notary to have certain passages in the instrument corrected. Is more certain about the falsity of the brief than when he wrote from Saragossa, because the year in briefs is calculated from Christmas; and, therefore, on 26 Dec., the date of the brief, Julius was not yet Pope. There is no need to have recourse to anything further; and he does not wish Andrew to act as a notary unnecessarily, as it is considered with them a very vile office. Sends only the copy of the instrument concerning the reply to Pernoty, as he does not know whether [the King] would not prefer their passing over these matters for fear of hindering the truce. The copies are sent by sea.

Lat., p. 1.

5622. STEPHEN VAUGHAN to CRUMWELL.

R. O.

Has sent his letters to Norwich by a carrier, and has written to him in favor of Willm. Claye, whose trouble Vaughan feels like his own. Hears that Powell has obtained the King's letters to Claye for his coming hither. Cannot ask Crumwell to assist Claye, as he has been a counsellor to Powell, but requests him to be neutral. The King is at Greenwich, my lord's Grace at Westminster. Leaves for Flanders tomorrow.

P. 1, *Hol. Add.:* To his right worshipful Mr, Master Thomas Crumwell, be this given, at Norwich.

5623. STEPHEN VAUGHAN to CRUMWELL.

R. O.

Requests his favor for William Claye, the bearer, in the matter of variance between him and John Appowell. Though Crumwell has been "counsaile" to the latter, begs him to cease his labor against his friend.

P. 1. *Add.:* To his right worshipful Mr, Maister Crumwell, in London. *Endd.*

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5624. GRANTS in MAY 1529.

May.

GRANTS.

1. Sir Anthony Poyntz. To be keeper of Kyngeswodde forest, Glouc., and Fylwodde forest, Somers., with 7½*d.* a day out of the fee-farm of the town of Bristol, *vice* Sir Maurice Berkeley. *Del.* Westm., 1 May 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 26.

1. Henry Norres, squire for the Body. Grant of three tenements in "le Westend," Grenewiche, Kent, near the dock at Billyngysgate in Grenewiche, land in Grenewiche Marshe, called Bendysh, in Eltham, Charlton, Wolwich, and elsewhere, and lands called the Queen's lands, in East and West Grenewiche, Deptford, Lovesham, Kedbroke, Charlton, Wolwiche, Beknam and Cheflest (Chiselhurst?) Kent. The premises were held by Sir Wm. Compton till his death, 29 June last. *Del.* Westm., 1 May 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 26.
Copy of the preceding.—R.O.

1. Garrard Sluter, shoemaker, of London, native of Nuce, in the bpric. of Cologne. Denization. Westm., 1 May.—S.B. *Undated. Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9.

1. Andrew Fynche and Isabella his wife, John Pyrrye and Joan his wife and Joan Laurence. Licence to alienate the manor of Gerons in Magna Paryngdon, Essex, and the third part of the advowson of Magna Paryngdon church, to Alan Dalon and his heirs for ever; with contingent remainders to John Campyon and to John Hales, baron of the Exchequer, and John Hynd. Westm., 1 May.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 25.

4. John Bury and Thos. Philippes. To have the corrody in the monastery of Mountague, void by the resignation of John Bevyn. 24 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 May.—P.S.

4. Barth. Kempe. Inspeximus and confirmation, as tenant of the demesne lands of Gyssyng, Norf., of charter 23 May 54 Hen. III. granting to Nich. de Hastinges free warren in the said lands. Westm., 4 May.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9.

5. Ralph Salvan of Newbiging, York. Reversal of outlawry, having been sued for debt by Ralph Waren. Westm., 5 May.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

5. Martin Fissher, tallowchandler, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Rob. Wingfield. Windsor, 21 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 May.—P.S.

6. Sir John Gage. Wardship of William, s. and h. of John Baynham. *Del.* Westm., 6 May 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

6. Sir John Gage. Wardship of Margaret, d. and h. of Thos. Staunton. *Del.* Westm., 6 May 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

8. Thomas John, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Bliston *alias* Blisland, Exeter dioc., *vice* John Olver, resigned. *Del.* Westm., 8 May 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

8. John Cony of Cossham, Hants, laborer. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 8 May 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

8. John Smyth, cook, of Clencheston, Dors. Pardon for having killed Peter Frenchman, of the same place, in self-defence. Westm. 8 May.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

10. Michael Lyster and Elizabeth his wife. Livery of lands to Elizabeth, as d. and h. of Savacrus (?) Delabere, and kinswoman and heir of Thos. Delabere, s. and h. of Sir Ric. Delabere, viz., daughter of the said Sevacrus, brother of the said Thos. Delabere,—on all the possessions of the said Savacrus or Thos., and Richard or Elizabeth late wife of the said Richard, or Anne late wife of the said Thomas; and of which Thos. Inglefield, Henry Laynham, Robt. Whyte, Richard Brown, William Apeynon, Roland Brige, and Walter Hill, chaplain, were enfeoffed to the use of the said Thomas and Richard, Elizabeth or Anne, for fulfilling the will of the said Savacrus, &c. Westm., 10 May.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 21.

10. Anne Broughton. Livery of lands as daughter and co-heir with Katharine, her sister, of John Broughton; and one of the sisters and co-heirs of John, son of the said John Broughton; including the possessions of which Anne wife of Sir John Russell, Sir Rob. Drury, Wm. Drury, Thos. Straunge and Anne his wife, Rob. Norwyche, serjeant-at-law, and John Smyth were seized. Also licence of entry to Wolsey, Will. archbp. of Canterbury, Thos. duke of Norfolk, late earl of Surrey, John earl of Oxford, John Bourchier lord Barnes, Thos. Fenys lord Dacre, Edm. lord Howard, Sir Philip Tylney, Sir Will. Rouce, Sir Thos. Blenerhasset, Sir John Mordaunt, Rob. Norwyche, serjeant-at-law, and Hen. Chauncey, as trustees. *Del.* Westm., 10 May 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 23.

10. Chr. Robyns, butcher, of Reading, Berks. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Anth. Ughtred. Greenwich, 30 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 May.—P.S.

12. Firmin du Boz, native of Picardy. Denization. *Del.* Westm. 12 May 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 11.

13. Nicholas Holborne, grocer, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Anthony Ughtred, vice-captain of Berwick-upon-Tweed. Greenwich, 4 May 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 13 May.—P.S.

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GRANTS.

13. James, s. of John Hales, one of the barons of the Exchequer. To be receiver and feodary of the honor of Walingford and St. Waleric, parcel of the duchy of Cornwall, *vice* Robt. Laward *alias* Lord. *Del.* Westm., 13 May 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

14. Bryan Courteys, Ric. Thymbulby, John Bothe and Geo. Barren. Licence to export 14 score quarters of "foystye wheat," it being unfit for food. *Del.* Westm., 14 May 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

15. Roger Ratcliff, gentleman usher of the Privy Chamber, Philip Wogan *alias* Wogam, Thos. Westby, and Thos. Horsley, clks. To have the next presentation to the prebendal church of Shipton *alias* Siptun, Oxon, Linc. dioc., otherwise called the prebend of Shipton, in the cathedral church of St. Mary, Salisbury; on surrender of patent, 14 May 20 Hen. VIII., granting them the next presentation to the canonry and prebend of Shepton Underwychwoode, Oxon. Westm., 15 May.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

18. *Salop.*—Wm. Charleton, Ric. Maynwaryng, and Thos. Pygott, Roger Houghton and Wm. Cotton. Commission to make inquisition p.m. on the lands and heirs of Ric. Knyght, Griffin Acton, Wm. Acton, John Foster of Wellyngton, and Thos. Trentham. Westm., 18 May.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19*d.*

20. Thos. earl of Rutland. Licence to alienate the manor of Bukland, with certain lands and 36*s.* rent in Bukland, Barkwey, Throkkyng, Newchippyng and Wydhall, and the advowson of Buckland church, Herts, to Edw. Watson, Thos. Waldram, George Swillyngton and Hen. Sapcote. Westm., 20 May.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

20. John Parker, equerry of the Stable. Custody of Wm. s. and h. of John Gyfford, deceased, an idiot. *Del.* Westm., 20 May 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

21. Thos. Darby, a clerk of the Signet. Licence to export 100 (corrected from 200) sacks of wool. *Del.* Richmond, 21 May 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

28. John Pylkynton, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Kallystok *alias* Calstok, Exeter dioc., void by death. *Del.* Westm., 28 (?) May 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

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1 June. **5625.** JOHN ALEN to WOLSEY.

Lamb. MS. 602, f. 58. St. P. II. 102.

Sends a list of dispensations and other things "sped by your honorable authority since our coming into these exile parts." None of the Irish resort to us for any of their faculties. Wolsey's authority would not be respected, were it not that the bishop of Dublin is armed with temporal power. There is much doubt "whether ye be legate here or not." [The Primate, his suffragans and councillors, say that you are not legate in Ireland; and they do much harm, because the see of Armagh, and the whole province, except Meath, is in Ulster, among the Irish.]* Describes some of the difficulties in which he is placed by the terms of the bulls. The Lord Chancellor is very difficile in granting Wolsey's dispensations, and many marry without them. Lives in great fear, and if English power come not shortly, they will be obliged to return at Michaelmas. Many patched and dishonorable truces are tolerated from pure necessity. Dublin, 1 June. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

5626. JOHN ALEN to DR. STEPHEN [GARDINER].

R. O.

"The copie of your Graces commissaries letter sent to Doctour Stephen latelie."

Last term he sent to Alen an inhibition, which has injured Wolsey's prerogative, "upon a pretense appelle surmised by Sir Simonde Harcourt's council," in the matter of Elizabeth Staveleie, widow, who lately died in the diocese of Lincoln, having "good and sperat credebts" in the province of York to the value of 50 marks. Intended to have decreed her testament to have been a prerogative only appertaining to Wolsey as legate, when the inhibition arrived, of which Wolsey did not know. Advises him, in con-

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* This parenthesis, which is not printed in the State Papers, is added (in Allen's own hand ?) in the margin.

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sideration of this, "et præsertim quia agitur de pane lucrando," not to allow Burbank, Claiburgh, or Lee to sit on the matter till he has heard Wolsey's further pleasure. From what Wolsey has said to him, could proceed, notwithstanding the inhibition. Another ground of complaint is, that Harcourt prevented the winesses from giving their depositions by offering to explain the matter himself. "This Thursday after dinner, in haste."

P. 1. *Endd.:* Copy of a letter of Dr. Alen's.

2 June. **5627.** MONASTERY OF CHERTSEY.

Rym. XIV. 297.

Assent to the election of John Corderey as abbot of the Benedictine monastery of St. Peter, Chertsey, Winc. dioc., *vice* John Parker, resigned.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 1.

2 June. **5628.** SILVESTER DARIUS to NICHOLAS RUSTICUS.

R. O.

Is to tell their common master that he arrived here safe on the 1st of this month, with all the expedition he could. Intended to have left today; but finding Benet here, and learning by all there would be great want of horses if we all went together, I determined to let Benet precede me. Francis (Bryan), who goes to the French court, has not yet arrived. When I was near Molyns, a post came from the Swiss to Francis to tell him the Swiss were in very bad temper, and threatened they would leave him. They do not like Francis to make terms with the Emperor unless they are excluded. If this, however, be managed, and they receive a small sum of money, they will be quiet. I fell in with about 15,000 German troops, well armed, who had been hired for three months by the king of France. I have been told there are as many as 8,000 or 9,000. I am told by the governor of this city that the forces of the League in Naples are of great strength, and that St. Pôl, with the Venetians, is near Milan. It is commonly reported here that a general peace has been concluded; that the French court is going to Cambray, where the lady Margaret will repair. It is believed, by letters from Spain, that the Emperor will not pass into Italy this year, as Spain is very poor. The governor told me that the duke of Orleans had been ill, but has now recovered.

Lat., pp. 2. *Headed:* Ex literis d. Silvestri Darii 2 Junii, Lugduni datis, ad Nicolaum Rusticum.

2 June. **5629.** DON INIGO DE MENDOZA to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Has received from the secretary De Lasaulx, Wolsey's letter intimating that the King wished him to go to Flanders. Thanks the King and Wolsey for having so much consideration for his health. Has given the security, both by word and writing, which the deputy (*prefectus*) of Calais and the King's chamberlain and Master of the Rolls required of him. In order that the English ambassadors may be set free the sooner, sends Wolsey the letters he has written upon this affair to the Emperor that they may be sent to him from the French king's court by way of Perpignan. Calais, 2 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* R. d. Cardinali Eboracensi.

3 June. **5630.** DON YNYGO DE MENDOZA to CHARLES V.

Vesp. C. XIII. 320. B. M.

In consequence of his indisposition the king of England has given him licence to go to Flanders, if his ambassadors, the bishop of Worcester and Dr. Lee, are allowed to go safely into France. Otherwise he must give his word to remain as a prisoner at Calais until the Emperor orders them to be set at liberty out of his realm, and Madame promises the King that in case of any difficulty about their liberation she will send him back to Calais. Gravelines, 3 June. *Signed.*

Spanish, p. 1. *Add.*

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3 June. Galba, B. III. 342 a. B. M.

5631. Don Inigo de Mendoza to the Captain General of Perpignan.

[Sends a packet] to be forwarded with all diligence to the Emperor. If the ambassadors of England come by Perpignan, the Emperor will doubtless order that they be well treated and set at liberty. The Captain will see the urgency of the affair by the "said" letter. Gravelines, 3 June.

Spanish, p. 1. *Add.*

3 June. Galba, B. IX. 165. B. M.

5632. Sir Robert Wingfield to Wolsey.

Yesterday, by Mr. de la Sawche, received Wolsey's letters dated Richmond, 27th ult. Has received from the Imperial ambassador the obligation which Wolsey desired, and encloses a copy. My lord Chamberlain and the Master of the Rolls were present at the taking of the oath by him. Sends a letter from the said ambassador, who departed hence at 7 o'clock. Is glad of it, for the Merchant Adventurers at Antwerp returned in fear and haste, having heard that Wingfield had arrested him, and the Emperor's subjects have forborne to come hither. There is great poverty here. All merchandise brought to the town remains unbought, for the soldiers have no money to provide against winter, and the burgesses and commoners none for traffic, as most of their substance has been lent to the soldiers. Universal decay will ensue unless the wages are paid more quickly than since he has been here, that is six years. Begs him to ask the King to furnish Robert Fowler, the under-treasurer, with money, that the repairs may be finished this summer, which will save future expence, and enrich his subjects here.

Doubts not that the Master of the Rolls, who has been detained here by the weather, will make report thereof to the King. The fortresses, sea banks and gutters, and the haven, are so far repaired that they will be almost finished by the end of summer, if the work be continued. Calais, 3 June 1529.

Encloses two open letters sent to him by the Emperor's ambassador, dated Gravelines, one directed to the Emperor, and the other to the captain of Perpignan.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

3 June. Nero, B. VII. 85. B. M.

5633. John Casale, the Prothonotary, to Wolsey.

Will not write what is done in France, as Wolsey will hear that quicker and better than he, but will write what is reported here. The Venetian ambassador's last letter states that the French king said to him that the Emperor was pressing him to make peace; and though he did not believe the King was speaking as he thought, he advised the Lords to send a commission to him, which they have determined to do. This has greatly moved the minds of many in Italy, chiefly because they fear lest warlike preparations should be slackened from the false hope of a peace. Wrote lately that the ambassador of the marquis of Mantua told him that the Emperor had dismissed the ambassadors of Savoy, who referred good conditions of peace to the king of France. As they are now perhaps in France, they may have set on foot these negociations. He said also that when he asked the Emperor either to give the Marquis wages suitable to his dignity, or to allow him to receive benefits from the French king, the Emperor would not allow him to receive anything from Francis, and wished to treat about giving him something, but, finding that the ambassador had no such charge, said that when he came to Italy he would send a messenger to disclose his mind to the Marquis and arrange about it. The Marquis yesterday sent word by his own courier to the ambassador that the prothonotary Caracciolo had come from Milan to him for this purpose, and he ordered the ambassador to return, which he did.

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It is reported from Genoa that Andrea Doria has sent out eight well equipped gallies,—some think, to assist the marquis of Guasto, who is besieging Monopoli, as he had asked for them to defend him against the Venetian fleet, which does him great injury. It will be a dangerous thing for them to enter the Adriatic Gulf, as the Venetians have so many armed galleys. If Doria sends them, he must have great confidence in their speed and courage. Some think they have gone elsewhere; and news has just come that they are returned, and that they set out to attack the French fleet at Marseilles, in which they were not successful. Some Genoese write that Doria's journey to Spain is less thought of on account of the practices for peace. The Allies daily approach Milan, and prepare for attacking it, though not with sufficient speed.

In Apulia things are going on well. Our garrison at Barletta, led by Federico Carapha, a noble Neapolitan, has seized Lanzano, taking and killing 150, or, as some say, 200 men-at-arms, and gaining much booty. The Imperialists have lost much honor by the siege of Monopoli. They cannot leave the kingdom of Naples, for many reasons, as they hear from Rome. The news thence about the Imperialists is truer than what they have at Venice, as Wolsey will see from the copy of his brother's letters, which he encloses, and which mention also the Pope's illness. Letters from Girolamo Moro to the Emperor have been intercepted, telling him their difficulties in Naples, and asking for troops and pay. He does not seem to hope for the Emperor's arrival, but says that the Pope has agreed with the Emperor, and that articles are drawn up, but not signed or sealed. This is false, as Wolsey will see by the letters of the ambassadors at Rome. The same letters state that yesterday D. de Cratiglion (Chatillon ?), who was sent lately by the French king into Apulia, is returning in haste to urge the King to send money to Apulia to quiet the mutiny which has broken out from want of wages, and to draw over to our side the Almains now serving the Emperor, as was agreed, and to increase our army, so as to drive away the enemy from the walls.

Yesterday a Florentine merchant came hither, who was at Spires while the assembly of nobles was being held. His report was the same as that from France. As to Luther, everything is postponed for a year, so as not to disturb the Emperor's passage to Italy by any sedition. As to the subsidy against the Turks, money will be levied for 12,000 foot and 2,000 horse for six months. The subsidy for the Emperor's coronation will not be given till he is in Italy. He said also how much Bohemia, the Tyrol and other places, will give. Wrote all this at the end of last month, but the courier did not leave until today. No news has arrived, except about Milan, of which he sends a copy. Venice, 3 June 1529. *Signed.*

Pp. 3, *Lat. Add. Endd.*

3 June. **5634.** To Christopher Hales.

To be the Attorney General. Westm., 3 June.
Vacated on personal surrender, July 38 Hen. VIII.
Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 24.

4 June. **5635.** Duke of Suffolk to Henry VIII.

R. O.
St. P. VII. 182.

Taking an opportunity to make known to the French king the secret charge that you 'gave me on his promise not to disclose it, I told him that you had been advertised by Bryan "that he should say unto the said Bryan, how do the King my brother's affairs concerning the divorce? and the said Bryan should say, I trust well. Upon the which he should say, Well, there be some which the King my brother doth trust in that matter that would it should never take effect; but I shall send Piers De Vartie (Douarty) to the King my brother, who shall disclose unto him that I know therein." He

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admits these words; says they were spoken upon communication with Campeggio, who told Francis he was going to England and afterwards to Spain by commission of the Pope. On which Francis asked him how he could go into Spain, and yet do what the king of England wished for the divorce; and he replied that he did not think that the divorce would take effect, but should be dissembled well enough. Thinking that the King was deceived, he told the bishop of Bath what the Cardinal had said, desiring him to advertise you of it. I then proceeded to inquire of him, promising that what he said should never be revealed, What say you of the cardinal of England in this matter? and he replied, When he was with me, as far as I could perceive, he desired that the divorce might take place, for he loved not the Queen; but I advise my good brother not to put too much trust in any man, whereby he may be deceived, and the best remedy is to look to his own matters himself;—saying further that the cardinal of England had great intelligence with the Pope and with Campeggio, and, as they are not inclined to the divorce, it is the more needful for the King to have regard to his own affairs.

No man can speak better of your Grace than he does. This is all I can get from him, but I will try him again. Orleans, 4 June. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

R. O. 2. Copy of preceding letter, in the handwriting of Mr. Raymond, keeper of State Papers. Dated ———, June 4.

Modern copy.

4 June. **5636.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Theiner, p. 582. After the departure of Francesco Campano on 26 May, I received your letters of the 1st, 6th, and 8th of May. Owing to the protests and citations made by the Imperial ambassadors to the ambassadors of this King, the latter dispatched [the cavalier Casale] hither in great haste, and I believe the cavalier arrived in ten days. We had much discussion respecting the citation, as they (the King and Wolsey) are unacquainted with the customs and forms of the (Papal) court. At length they were made to understand the case, and became satisfied both with the citation and with the non-concession of their demands touching the brief. Nevertheless, on the receipt of your said letters, being at Richmond with the Cardinal, I again explained the matter to his Lordship; and by his advice I sent my secretary to Windsor to do the like with the King, and to communicate the news which you and your reverend son (in France) write to me.

My secretary reports to me that the King was not much appeased with regard to the citation made at Rome to his ambassadors, and said he was informed that it is not customary to cite the ambassadors of princes. To this it was replied that he was wrongly informed, and that the Pope could not prohibit it, as the serjeants (*cursori*) did this office, without the Pope's licence or knowledge, as public officials. At my next interview with the King I will not fail to set the matter right. A copy was given them of the petition produced for signature, and of the protest; and they were made to understand that, as the Imperialists, before the coming of Francesco, had frequently urged the citation of the cause, and were still doing the same with protestations, it was sufficient that the Pope, up to the present time, had not made this citation, as you prudently write. Yet the Cardinal frequently inquires what I think about this citation, and is persuaded that the Pope will not make it on any account. I reply that I find the reasons alleged are very telling, and that the importunity made is infinite, so that I do not know what may be the result. Thus I leave them between hope and fear. The Cardinal says he cannot believe that the Pope is sending back Dr. Stephen (Gardiner).

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They have firmly resolved that the cause shall be proceeded with. On the last day of May we performed the first act, which was to cause the bull of the commission to be presented to us, to accept the charge laid upon us by the Pope, to appoint notaries and messengers to cite (the parties); and the citation was peremptorily decreed for the 18th inst., Friday. The King and Queen have been cited by the bishops of Lincoln and Bath, the messengers appointed and sworn for this purpose. It appears that their learned men are of opinion that we are bound by our office to proceed to execute the first portion of the bull, and you may be sure they will use all diligence to secure the speedy conclusion (of the trial). I understand, though I do not know for certain, that they are consulting the theologians of the University of Paris about the case.

It is rumored that my lady Margaret and the French king's mother will meet at Cambray to negotiate peace about the middle of this month. The Cardinal denies the truth of this, and says they will first of all arrange the particulars, and that he himself is to go there, but he will not go until this cause is expedited. The French secretary who came hither has returned.

A Polish gentleman, returning from Constantinople to the French king's service, reports that the Turk intends to invade Hungary and Germany, having an understanding with many German princes, and that the Archduke Ferdinand was in great straits, and had intended to repair to the Emperor in disguise, but was dissuaded from so doing.

Here we are still wearing our winter clothing, and use fires as if it were January. Never did I witness more inconstant weather. The plague commences to rage vigorously, and there is some fear of the sweating sickness. I am no longer compelled to remain in bed groaning, and therefore I consider myself in good health. London, 4 June 1529.

Ital.

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5637. JOHN CASALE to WOLSEY.

It is said that Bryan left Rome to come here on the last ult. Dr. Stephen was to leave the next day. Peter (Vannes) was waiting for letters from you. Nothing has yet been done in the matter of Ravenna and Cervia. Theodore is waiting for an answer. Venice, 4 June 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

4 June. Vit.B.xi.142. B.M.

5638. SIR GREGORY CASALE to [WOLSEY].

Has obtained the bull for the erection of the cathedrals, for which he has had more trouble than he ever had for anything else.

It was necessary to gain over the Cardinals. The greatest difficulties were at the words *de consensu quorum interest*, and that they wished the numbers of the churches to be mentioned. Had to contend with all the officials of the court, for the Pope has decreed that nothing shall be expedited through the chamber, so as not to defraud the officials of their profits. They were continually complaining that the Pope sold offices, and took away their profits.

They said that 1,000 gold pieces have been paid for the erection of a single cathedral, and demanded 3,000 for this. Card. SS. Quatuor has been of great assistance, and by his means only 300 gold pieces have been paid.

Has received no money from England since September. The ambassadors will tell Wolsey what great expences he has had.

Many of the Cardinals assisted him greatly in the matter of the cathedrals, when he told them that the King would give one to his brother the protho-notary. Rome, 4 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2. *Endd.*

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5639. [WOLSEY] to SIR GREGORY CASALE and PETER VANNES.

Vit. B. XI. 243. B. M.

Has received the bulls, but desires certain clauses to be fuller. Sends copies of the bulls marked in the margin, and minutes of what he wishes. As to the union of monasteries, desires to have the power of uniting small monasteries, as well as annexing them to greater. The bull for erecting cathedrals only empowers him to enquire and report concerning monasteries and other matters, but the King thinks that authority for completing the matter is needed. Promises that no loss shall ensue to the court of Rome. Desires the omission of the clause "de consensu omnium quorum interest requirendo," not because he thinks that interests ought to be neglected in such a change, but to prevent malicious opposition. The clause is omitted in his bulls for the suppression of monasteries. Sends instructions for the royal indulgences, but does not think it necessary to say more, as their last letters state that the Pope had already granted them.

There has lately been a dispute between the bishop of Ely and the University of Cambridge concerning their respective jurisdictions. The King and he wish both universities, with the towns in which they are situated, to be freed from episcopal authority. Sends minutes of bulls for this purpose. If objection is made to the power of instituting to churches, they can say that the same power is held by some abbots in England, and it would not be absurd to give it to universities, which often have bishops for their chancellors. Will take care that it does not injure bishops and archbishops.

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Lat., draft, pp. 8. *Imperfect.*

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5640. SIR GREGORY CASALE to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 139. B. M.

The French king and the other allies drive the Pope to despair, and will force him to adhere to the Emperor. This is not the wish of the French king, but the other allies are trying to separate the Pope from the two Kings. The Pope is displeased that Malatesta Baglione is receiving pay from the French king and the Florentines, for it is contrary to the promise of the French to Salviati, and to the treaty between the Pope and Malatesta. Perugia will thus fall into the hands of the Pope's worst enemies. The abbot of Farfa makes daily excursions to the gates of the city. Many complaints of him are brought to the Pope.

The Colonnas are making preparations against him. Every one in Rome is exposed to their depredations. The Florentines still keep the Pope's niece, and say that she is at the disposal of the French king. There is no need to say anything about the duke of Ferrara and the Venetians. Wolsey will see with what patience the Pope needs to be armed. Wonders that he has not put himself into the hands of the Imperialists a hundred times. Believes he thinks it will be necessary.

Two days ago letters came from France, stating that peace was being negotiated, that matters had made much progress, and that the French king had sent to ask all the allies for commissions to make peace. No intimation had been given to the Pope, except a few general words to the legate Salviati. This seems prejudicial and dishonorable to the king of England, who has always been protector and defender of the Holy See. The Pope would then be compelled to adhere to the Emperor, and could do nothing for the King. If, however, the Pope is considered in the peace, he will be able to do everything for the King. Writes this, not because he thinks Wolsey does not consider it, but because he sees that the French act rashly. Advises him to warn them not to allow such an injury to be inflicted on his Holiness. Sends these letters by a courier sent by the Pope to the legate Salviati in France. Rome, 5 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 5.

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5 June. **5641.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 143. B. M.

"Postquam D. Stephanus Gardinerus comparuit in signatura ad dicendum contra commissionem quam Pontifex censuit signaturam esse informandam," about which Gardiner has written, the writer heard from Giac. Salviati that the Imperial ambassador was urging that the commission should be produced for signature, and was leaving nothing undone to obtain what was contained in the commission. Consulted with Gardiner, and then went to Salviati, and told him that unless the Pope and he prevented the signature of this commission, and the infliction of such an injury to the King's cause, his Majesty and Wolsey would have reason to neglect the Pope's authority and proceed in some other way,—which many learned men, both in England and France, advised him to do,—and the Holy See would thus be ruined. Salviati reported this to the Pope, who approved of the advice; but he did not know how he could impose silence on the Emperor, who was eager to obtain it. Suggested that the Emperor's ambassador should be told that nothing could be more injurious to the Queen than this commission, for the King had done and would do nothing until the breve were pronounced to be false; but if they provoked him by this commission, he would disregard the breve, the bull and the Pope, and cause sentence to be pronounced. The Pope wished him to promise that the King would not proceed thus;—which he did promptly, for two reasons: to make the Pope feel secure, and also to quiet the Imperial ambassador, to whom the Pope could not deny it without giving reasons. This had an excellent effect; for Salviati has often gone to the Imperial ambassador to persuade him, and says that he has succeeded. Both he and the Pope showed great pleasure at this.

After the arrival of Tadeus, Salviati said that the Pope was very angry with him, fearing that sentence would be pronounced in England after all; and complaining of Vannes for having deceived him, and of Salviati for assuring the ambassador that there was no need to fear. Has taken great pains to persuade them that this is false, and has promised that the King will do nothing uncanonical, nor until he hears from the bishop of Worcester in Spain, and the falsity of the breve is decided. Thought from Salviati's language that what Wolsey wrote by Tadeus had come to the Pope's ears; but he said all that seemed advisable, and Salviati says the Pope acquiesced in his reasons. Was glad that he had done this, when he received the King's and Wolsey's letters by Alexander about the commission. Soon after a courier arrived from France with news that the French king had demanded commissions from all the allies to make peace, but nothing had been signified to the Pope except a few general words to the legate Salviati. Giac. Salviati complains bitterly of this, in the Pope's name, fearing that he will be excluded from the peace, or not considered as he should be, and thus left as a prey to the Emperor; that he had no such faithful friend as the King, and grieves that he has lost his friendship about this cause. Said that the Pope deserved the loss of the King's friendship, for the King has received no recompence for the benefits he has conferred on the Holy See; but, notwithstanding, he will return good for evil, if the Pope will commend himself to his protection, and he will procure the same terms for the Pope as he would wish for himself. Showed that the King would treat the Pope with the same affection as hitherto, and asked them not to allow the King to be insulted by this commission and the avocation of the cause, which would do nothing but irritate the King, Wolsey and the people. Thinks that, in consequence of what he said, there will be no avocation of the cause, though he thinks they would have suspected something if he had not had this opportunity of speaking. Had great fears in consequence of what Salviati said to him after the arrival of Tadeus. Wolsey must be careful to treat with Campeggio only what is general.

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SIR GREGORY CASALE to WOLSEY—*cont.*

Sends also letters without cipher, which he wrote to show to the Pope. Asks Wolsey to answer them separately, that he may show the letter. Rome, 5 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., cipher deciphered, pp. 7. *Add. Endd.*

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5642. THOS. WYNTER to WOLSEY.

Ought to be always thanking him for his never-ceasing kindness. Approves of Wolsey's suggestion, of which Lupset has told him, that he should lodge with some Frenchman to learn the language. Has not yet mastered the niceties of the language on account of his graver studies and his little intercourse with Frenchmen. Visited the duke of Suffolk while here, and was well received by him. Paris, 5 June.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* R., &c. Card. Ebor. Angliæ primati a Latere Legato," &c. *Endd.:* Literæ decani Wellen.

5 June. Add. MS. 27,447, f. 74. B. M.

5643. ELEANOR ROOS, LADY RUTLAND, to SIR WM. PASTON.

Advises him, as one of Mr. Lovell's executors, to favor her husband, who then, she trusts, will be so good to her that she will be able to "do for" her sisters in time coming. Sends a letter from him, showing that he believes her father can serve him. Asks him to make much of her cousin George Paulett, as her husband favors him, and she is much beholden to him. Compton, 5 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my father Sir William Paston. *Endd.:* My lady of Rutland's letter.

5 June. Cal. D. XI. 3. B. M.

5644. DE TOURNON, ARCHBISHOP OF BOURGES, to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

* * * "il y a ung g . . . . . e double pour lenvoyer e . . . . . en envoye aussi ung ar[ticle] . . . . . vous en parle, vous saches qu . . . . . uy qui escript ledit article prent . . . . . Don Diego de Mendoce pour ung Angl[oys] . . . on n'a depesche a la Bourdaizier sauf-conduy[t] . . . . qui pour cestuy la et a la poursuyte de l'ambassa[deur] d'Angleterre le Roy n'est point content de langage que ledit home tient tant de l'affaire du Roy son bon frere que de Mons. le Legat, mais quoy que ce soyt, il veult que tout leur soyt desclerey et descouvert, sans que rien leur soyt celle. Vous pouves bien congnestre par ledit article combien le Roy ha a cueur les afferes de son dit bon frere, puis que les serviteurs qui sont bien loing aux frontieres entendent bien que ces propos la ne plaisent point a nostre maistre." Orleans, 5 June. *Signed.*

Mutilated. Add.

5645. ——— to SUFFOLK and FITZWILLIAM.

Cal. D. XI. 44. B. M.

" . . . . . other farewell . . . . . Cu . . y and my Lady his . . . . . ane she wrote unto the King h . . . . . do send herewith to the intent that the [more] near at hand this assembly is and ho . . . . . prested by the lady Margaret and the . . . . . wherefore I suppose that the five or six [weeks the French] king promised to put in delay over and [above the] days that were promised will be clean v . . . . . of the book, for the King said this day bifo[re] . . . . . ambassadors that he thought the Ladies [would be] in a readiness at Cameray to begin to tre[at at] ferdest by Saturday next. It were, therefore, ... convenient that either my Lord of London . . . . . did haste forwards immediately.

" Letters were brought from Fraunces Mou . . . . . of Saluze

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containing how that the count of Saynt [Pôl had] by determination resolved between him an[d the duke] of Urbyne for the Venetians purposed . . . . . Beagrase and marching in the nyg[ht] . . . . . the avant garde the bataigle and rev . . . * * *.
[the] ambassadors this day that they should . . . . . [th]air superiors and put them in good con . . . . . yr is chanced at this time by the count of . . . . . or his company, for he will assist them in pa . . . . . if the Emperor do pass, whether the peace conclud[ed or] not, without the Emperor do ratify the peace and dely[ver] his children before his going into Italy and . . . . . their prison, commanded the viscount Turyne to assemble and muster at Lyons the whole number of men of arms that shall pass with him; also he [now] sendeth a gentleman of his chamber to cause all his Almaignes to pass the mountains. Moreover, he hath sent for 8,000 Swiss, and hath sent unto the marquis of Saluze to join himself with certa[in] men of war being there, and to repair the force tha[t was] said to be lost under Mons. de S. Paule, an[d] . . . . . nd unto the ambassadors that he was assured to . . . . . * * *
I send unto you also the king of Scots letter . . . . . double, the tenor whereof is under much . . . . . terms that we desire, and other letter they th . . . . . get for any labor that I could make for . . . . . they stuck unto the sending of a gentleman . . . . . which my lord Legate thought not good for . . . . . .
"Your most humble be[desman], ..."

Pp. 4, *mutilated and faded. Add.:* To the duke of Suffolk and Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, treasurer of the King's house.

6 June. **5646.** SUFFOLK [and FITZWILLIAM] to [HENRY VIII.]
Cal. D. XI. [IV. 27.] B.M.

* * * ". . . . om Monsieur . . . . . anne which the French . . . . . e forasmuch as in the same the . . . . . touching the cardinal Campegius . . . . . toward your Highness in your great matter . . . . . whereof extract by the said Archbishop . . . . . enclosed, it may please your Highness to un[derstand] that where in the said article Mons. de C . . . . . supposeth that it was an Englishman that by v[irtue] of safe-conduct passed that way towards Spaig[ne,] the very truth is that it was the Emperor's ambass[ador's] servant, for whom and likewise for his master your Gr[ace's] secretary did lately impetrate two safe-conduct[s] . . . . . the French king being at Burdeziers, whose saying . . . . . hath much more appearance of credence, he being . . . . . in favor and trust with his master, of whom he might hear many secrets, than if this [r]ep[ort] had been made by one of your subjects . . . . . theserours * * *
and will set forwards . . . . . che as may be in him poss[ible] . . . . . [s]hall more fully know by Sir Wil[liam Fitzwilliam] who departed hence towards your Grace . . . . . of this month." Orl[eans], 6 June. *Signed.*

Pp. 2, *mutilated and faded. In Knight's hand.*

June. **5647.** SUFFOLK, FITZWILLIAM and KNIGHT to HENRY VIII.
R. O.

Have had a very favorable audience of the French king, and declared their whole charge. As the matters are weighty, master Treasurer has undertaken to convey his answers to you by word of mouth and save writing. His going is very agreeable to Francis. Send certain letters from Italy, addressed to Wolsey and Campeggio, which have lately come to hand. Orliaunce, —† June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

† Blank in MS.

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5648. LOUISA OF SAVOY to WOLSEY.

R. O. He will hear from "Mons. le tresorier de Wiguillan" (Fitzwilliam) how agreeable to the King and herself were the overtures made by Suffolk and by him. Assures him of her confidence, and desires credence for Fitzwilliam. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* A mons. le Cardinal mon bon fils et pere.

6 June. **5649.** SIR GREGORY CASALE and PETER VANNES to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 147. B. M. Gardiner and Brian will explain the state of matters when they left. Are still forbidden to say anything to the Pope that may disturb him and increase his illness. It will need the greatest dexterity to prevent the advocation of the cause, which the Imperialists vehemently urge. The Pope has conceived some suspicions since the arrival of Thadeus. Have received his letters of May 22 since the departure of Gardiner and Brian, and have shown suitable extracts from them to the Pope. Gardiner knows what is to be expected about the commission. As to the words concerning a promise of absolute power in Campeggio's letters to Giac. Salviati, read the passage in the original letters, which were not in cipher. Salviati also will send them letters of Francesco Campano containing the same words.

Had an audience of the Pope, whom they found reclining on a couch. Read him passages from the King's and Wolsey's letters, with which he seemed well pleased. Told him how displeased the King was at the citation of the ambassadors for the signing of the commission for the avocation of the cause, but that he was slightly appeased by knowing that this procedure was attempted by the Imperialists without the Pope's knowledge. Said that although he has not yet obtained the remedy which he expected, and which ought to have been granted, the King bears the repulse patiently, and hopes in the Pope's fatherly kindness.

Told him, of themselves, how much they desired the continuance of the King's friendship, both for the public good of Christendom and for the special good of the Holy See, and that it was his duty to find means to grant the King's request, and he must be careful that nothing proceeds from the court of Rome which may irritate the King. He took this in good part, thanked the King, desired them to preserve the King's good will to him, and, as far as lay with him, would grant all that was just, and would knowingly do nothing that might offend the King or injure his cause.

Said they hoped that if he persevered in this intention the matter would be well settled, and that they thought the King expected much from the arrival of the bishop of Worcester. Thought it well not to speak too openly about the advocation of the cause, lest they should show their fears, and cause him, the most suspicious of men, to suspect something. Will wait now till Benet's arrival.

Will carry out the King's wishes about the protestation and about consulting advocates, which they have not done yet, for fear of discovering to them what they wished to keep secret.

Wolsey says at the end of his letter that the Pope writes that although he has hitherto found no means of doing what would be reasonable, just and honorable, he would try every way to satisfy the King and Wolsey. He said to them, in Gardiner's presence, that there were no means;—which they looked on as a direct refusal.

His Holiness said much about public affairs, and told them that the French king had sent to the Allies for commissions for peace, and that he had told the legate Salviati that the lady Regent, the lady Margaret, and Wolsey would meet at Cambray, and he wondered that he had not heard of it from the French king. He begged the King and Wolsey to consider him, in any treaty, as the other allies seem to have conspired against him. Assured him

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that the King would have as much consideration for him as for himself, but he must be cautious not to irritate the King.

He again asserted that he would rather imperil his own safety than offend the King.

He said also that he had received letters from Andrea Doria, dated June 2, saying that the Emperor has ordered him to go to him as soon as possible; that the Emperor has ten galleys ready, and others were being prepared as fast as possible.

Three ships loaded with wheat had arrived at Genoa from Spain, and Doria was ordered to convey 4,000 quarters to Antony de Leyva. Doria is certain that the Emperor will speedily come to Italy, and he is going to him in six days. The sending of this corn seems to prove that he will come, for there is great dearth in Spain.

The Pope thinks the Emperor will conclude peace, then come to Italy, and thence to Germany, where the people are threatening to elect a new Emperor.

Send an authentic attestation of the difference of the dates of briefs and bulls, and also of the search made in the registers.

They refused the briefs unless the Pope were consulted. Did not insist upon it, to avoid suspicion, and they have an authentic copy in England.

Could not obtain the bull for the cathedrals, "*conjunctim et divisim.*" The other bulls are not yet expedited, either through the illness of Card. SS. Quatuor, or the negligence of the secretaries. Rome, 6 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 8.

6 June. R. O. St. P. VII. 184.

5650. SIR GREGORY CASALE and VANNES to HENRY VIII.

Have opened his letter to Gardiner, and read such extracts from it to the Pope as seem most suitable for his present temper. Have written fully to Wolsey, stating their opinion that the Pope should be mildly treated, lest he go over to the enemy.

As to your commands, that if the Pope should pronounce anything against the King's cause, we should appeal from his Holiness to the true vicar of Christ, none would have more courage than we for this business, and we earnestly beg you to consider whether it is advantageous to your cause. As for intercepting the letters which may be directed to England against your Majesty, we will use all manner of diligence, but we wish to know if any thing has yet been expedited.

We have written to Wolsey of the coming of the Emperor into Italy. Rome, 6 June 1529. *Signed.*

We have begged his Holiness not to do anything to irritate the King, and so give occasion to much evil. He took our remonstrances in good part, and said that he would do all he could for the King.

In Vannes' hand. Part cipher deciphered. Add. Endd.

6 June. Vit. B. XI. 154. B. M.

5651. SIR GREGORY CASALE to WOLSEY.

Information about the Emperor's intended visit to Italy, as in the preceding letter.

Casale thinks that his intention is not peace, but war, and to strike terror into the minds of the allies, especially the Florentines and the duke of Ferrara, so as to draw them to his side. The French king must send a strong army to Italy. Does not see what good the Emperor will get by coming to Italy, except that he will have a large subsidy from Germany. He has just sent Bonifort into Germany with 100,000 gold pieces. Every one thinks that he will land at Genoa. If he comes to Naples, the whole kingdom will be destroyed by his army. Rome, 6 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

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6 June. **5652.** PETER VANNES and SIR GREGORY CASALE to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. xi. 151. B. M.

To the same effect as Casale's letter in cipher, dated 5 June. Rome, 6 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 5.

6 June. **5653.** GAMBARA to WOLSEY.

R. O.

I have learned from Gardiner, Vannes and Bryan your commands to me. Be assured that the Pope desires nothing so much as to satisfy the King; but, whether owing to foolish counsellors, who do not understand the matter, or to some other motive, he has not been able entirely to satisfy the King. Bologna, 6 June 1529. *Signed.*

P.S. in Gambara's own hand.—Begs that Wolsey, at his request, will show kindness to his most faithful servant, Palmer.

Lat., p. 1. Add. and sealed. Endd.

6 June. **5654.** MARGARET OF SAVOY to HENRY VIII.

Galba, B. ix. 122. B. M.

Hears that the King had intended to keep Don Ynigo de Mendoza, bishop elect of Burgos, ambassador of the Emperor, at Calais, until his own ambassadors in Spain had entered France, but in consequence of Don Ynigo's ill health, has allowed him to come to these countries, on giving a certain promise to the deputy of Calais. Promises that he shall not leave these countries until the English ambassadors have entered France, and that if they are hindered by the Emperor he shall return to Calais. Brussels, 6 June, a° xxi[x]. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. Add.

7 June. **5655.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to WOLSEY.

R. O.

After I had sealed my letters, I had a visit from the archbishop of Capua, who told me he is going into France today or tomorrow, to be present at the convention of Cambray, where Salviati has been the Pope's legate hitherto, but is not highly esteemed. He has to ascertain whether the French king wishes him to be at the Diet, or to go to Spain, or to return to Rome. He told me that the lady Margaret had sent letters to the prince of Orange, and as they had been opened by the Imperial ambassador, it was well known that the Diet would be held within a few days. He states that the Emperor wrote on 16 May to the Pope, that he should not visit Italy until he had given his Holiness notice, although everything was ready for his journey. Rome, 7 June 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

Lat., pp. 2. Add. Endd.

7 June. **5656.** PETER VANNES to WOLSEY.

R. O.

We have written in our common letters of the news. When I am not engaged in the King's business I pay my court to the Cardinals. Speaking the other day with the cardinal of Ravenna, I began to lament the calamity of the Holy See, and to suggest the wish that you had of doing good to the Cardinals. The cardinal of Ravenna is a man of great influence, the nephew of the cardinal of Ancona, a man of high character, who was secretary to Popes Leo, Adrian and Clement. He is very much devoted to your service, and desires letters from you and the King to the duke of Milan. Dr. Stephens can tell you more about him. I have given Nicholas instructions about these letters. Rome, 7 June 1529.

Hol., Lat., pp. 3. Add. and sealed. Endd.

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7 June. **5657.** BE[NEDICT D'ACCOLTIS,] CARD. OF RAVENNA, to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 156. B. M. Expresses the obligations of the Holy See and the College of Cardinals to Wolsey. He and his uncle the cardinal of Ancona endeavors to assist the ambassadors, as he believes Casale has written. Thanks him for his offers, through Vannes. Rome, 7 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2. *Add. and endd. at f.* 183* *b.*

8 June. **5658.** LOUISE OF SAVOY to WOLSEY.

R. O. Desires credence for the bearer, the sieur De Vaulx, her maître d'hôtel, going to England. Amboyse, 8 June. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* A mons. le card. d'Yort, mon bon filz.

8 June. **5659.** ITALY.

Vit. B. XI. 155*. B. M. News from Genoa, 7 and 8 June 1529.

So many letters have arrived concerning the Emperor's coming to Italy, that it seems certain. He disregards the difficulties of the journey.

It is reported that he will bring with him a great sum of money. Count Lodovico Belgioioso will set out in three or four days, with four pieces of artillery, and his own infantry, and those provided by the Genoese. The Sicilian corn did not come in the ships which arrived the other day from Spain, and they will not sell corn without a new commission from the Emperor or De Leva. Eight harbingers have been appointed in Genoa to prepare for the Emperor's coming.

June 8.—Andrea Doria sails tomorrow with his galleys for Barcelona. Other galleys and ships are prepared for the transport of the Emperor, which will be at the end of June or middle of July. There is not much hope of peace. The troops will be reinforced to the number of 8,000, at the instance of De Leva.

Ital., p. 1.

8 June. **5660.** THOS. BENET to WOLSEY.

R. O. Informs him of the voidance of the benefice of Brixston Deverell by the death of Sir Richard Belton, late parson there. It is of the collation of the bishop of Salisbury,† and of the clear yearly value of 10*l.* Sarum, 8 June. *Signed:* "Thomas Benet, prieste."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's good grace. *Endd.*

9 June. **5661.** ERASMUS to JOHN ANTONINUS, Physician.

Er. Ep. p. 1203. Is greatly grieved to hear of his illness. Many have suffered from the same complaint, and some have died with it. Richard Pace, who had previously enjoyed uninterrupted health, was taken with it in Italy, and, being given over by his physicians, recovered, contrary to expectation. I have suffered from it myself. Friburg in Brisgau, 9 June 1529.

Lat.

10 June. **5662.** GHINUCCI, BISHOP OF WORCESTER, to WOLSEY.

R. O. The news will be found in their common letters. Will take the road to Narbonne in four days, and write whilst he is on the road, if he has an opportunity. Valladolid, 10 June 1529.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

† Campeggio.

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10 June. **5663.** ST. STEPHEN'S, WESTMINSTER.

S. B. Licence to the dean and canons of SS. Mary and Stephen, Westminster,
Rym. XIV. 298. to take down and rebuild certain ruinous tenements in "le Wolstaple," between the clock (*horologium*) on the east and "le Weyhouse" on the west, the wall of the King's palace on the south, and the road leading between "le Weyhouse" and the said staple, and "le Wulbrige" of the King's Staple on the north. *Del.* Westm., 10 June 21 Hen. VIII.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

10 June. **5664.** ST. RADEGUND, LONGLETE, Salisbury Dioc.

Rym. XIV. 297. Laurence, card. bishop of Salisbury, and Peter Stantour, patron and founder of the Augustinian priory of St. Radegund, Longlete, Salisbury dioc. —Mortmain licence to appropriate the advowson of the said priory and its possessions to John, prior, and the brethren of the Carthusian house of *Locus Dei*, Henton, on account of the decayed state of the said priory. *Del.* Westm., 10 June 21 Hen. VIII.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9.

R. O. 2. Corrected draft of preceding.

11 June. **5665.** JOHN HACKETT to [BRIAN TUKE].

Galba, B. IX. 167. B. M. Wrote last, on the 31 May, by Mr. Wingfield, and has had no letter since. My lady Regent has fixed the meeting for the 18th, at Cambray. My lady Margaret will leave Brussels on Tuesday next, and Hacket will accompany her. Don Inigo de Mendoza arrived here on the 9th instant. He m[ade a] much better report of the King and Wolsey "than his master st . . . . . has done at Antwerp," who said that *Wolsey* and Don Inigo had had ha[rd] words together, and he would not receive the *King's* present. It is said he will reside at Antwerp, till free from his promise to the King.

The matter that has slept three months is waking here again. "I marvel what cure that this people here hawys, how the *King's grace and his noble Council shall govern his realm;" for, as he is told, lady Margaret has lately received from Rome the copy of the protestation that the Emperor and other princes have made afore the Pope, thinking thereby to cause the King or his Council to do more or less, as they think good to be done. Must sometimes hear them speak at large, but sometimes, when his poor reason is well taken amongst them, they lack no good payment.* Brussels, 11 June 1529.

Hol., pp. 2. *The cipher deciphered by Tuke. Mutilated.*

11 June. **5666.** CHANCERY.

Rym. XIV. 299. John Tayler, master of the Rolls, Ric. Lyster, chief baron of the Exchequer, Sir Anth. Fitzherbert, justice of the Common Pleas, Thos. Englefeld, justice of the Common Pleas, John Scott, baron of the Exchequer, Ric. Wolman, clk., Roger Lupton, clk., William Throkmarton, clk., Edward Hygons, clk., Ric. Lee, clk., Thos. Neuman, clk., John Skewe, Baldwin Malett, Walter Luke, Humph. Wyngfeld, William Conyngesby, John Hynde, John Baldewyn, Francis Mountford, Thos. Matson, and Christopher Jenny. Commission to hear and determine causes moved before the King in Chancery, and committed to them by Thos. cardinal of York. Westm., 11 June.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9*d.*

Lansd. MS. 163, f. 201. B. M. 2. Draft of the preceding.

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12 June. R. O. **5667.** JOHN WEST and JOHN LAWRENCE, Observant Friars, to WOLSEY.

Have obeyed his commands touching Wm. Roye at Yarmouth. From information given by John Stanleye, sometime the familiar of our convent at Richmond, we have made diligent inquiry for Roye in the Grey Friars and in the town of Yarmouth, but can obtain no knowledge of him. A schoolmaster of the same town spake and drank with Roye betwixt Lestoe (Lowestoft) and Yarmouth, in Ascension week, and showed us the features and the secret marks of his face, the manner of his speaking, his apparel, "and how he does speak all manner of languages." On asking Roye whence he came and where he was going, he said he came from over sea, and would go to the North parts; so we took our journey from Yarmouth to Norwich, supposing to gain more knowledge of him. But coming to Langley Abbey we met a young man, come out of the North parts, from Lincolnshire, and we asked if he had seen such a person, and he said that two days before he had met the said person a little beyond Attellbryge on the way to Lyne, and another with him, who had a red head, which by all likelihood should be Jerome Barlowe, his companion. When they approached his company, Roye left the highway, and hid his face, but the fellow with the red head demanded of this young man the way to Lyne, and then they made great speed, which made the young man suspect that they had done some mischief. Considering that we could not pursue them on foot, we had recourse to the abbot of St. Benett's, of Holme, brother to Mr. Dean of Ipswich, to whom we disclosed our purpose, and found him diligent and faithful. For immediately he knew of your pleasure, he sent one of his servants on horseback to Lynn, and another to Walsingham, and offered us all the help necessary. We have heard from the servant who went to Lynn that Roye and the other took ship for Newcastle, where we intend to follow them. Had we received our instructions but three days before, we should have brought them both to you. Great as the labor is, we endure it for Christ's sake. Will want another letter in the event of Roye having gone to Scotland. St. Benett's of Holme, 12 June 21 Hen. VIII.

P. 1, *Hol., in West's hand. Add. and endd.*

12 June. R. O. **5668.** SIR JOHN DAUNCE to WOLSEY.

I have sequestered all the alum belonging to the Pope in London, now in the house of Dominico Lomelyn, with orders not to let it go out of his house. I have given notice of it to Pantaline Spynelle, factor to Balthasar Spynelle. The customs amount to 450*l.*, of which Spynelle desires to have the payment respited, as the alum was sequestered. I cannot come to your Grace at present, as I cannot show my face, having been shaved by a barber with an unclean razor. Magnus's accounts are now in yielding, for the wards' lands and the duke of Buckingham's lands; and he desires a general pardon. London, 12 June. *Signed and sealed.*

P. 1, *Broadsheet. Add. Endd.*

12 June. Cal. D. XI. [IV. 64.] B. M. **5669.** FRANCIS I. to ———.

Power for Louise duchess of Angoulême, his mother, to treat for peace with the archduchess Margaret and the deputies of the king of England. Romorantin, 12 June 1529, 15 Francis I.

Fr., copy, pp. 3, *mutilated.*

12 June. Vesp. C. IV. 328. B. M. **5670.** GHINUCCI and LEE to WOLSEY.

On 5 June, received his letters dated 20 April. *Will fulfil the King's orders therein. The bp. of Worcester will leave with all possible diligence, but it will be long before he comes to the French court, because*

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don Inachus does not come by Bayonne, as Wolsey supposes, but by Perpignan, which is more than 300 *miles out of the way, and the Emperor has ordered the Bishop to go that way. During his absence, Lee will not fail in diligence, but he thinks that when the King and Wolsey have seen his letters of April* 25, *sent by Curson, they will see that Lee can do nothing, and that now it is not necessary for anything to be done. Are sure now that the brief is of no value, and advise Wolsey to procure a copy from the register at Rome, to which as much credit must be given as to the original. It will not then be necessary to urge the Emperor to send it to England. But in order to conceal their suspicions from the Emperor's council until the transumpt be taken, when the Bishop goes to Barcelona, which he cannot avoid, if he finds the rescripts there, he will do according to Wolsey's commission. Do not know how to proceed until they know Wolsey's opinion about the Emperor's offer to send the brief to Rome. The Emperor has forbidden them to follow him to Barcelona, and has sent them back hither, and they both are certain that the Emperor would only allow them to see him if they had anything to declare from the King. Have heard nothing from Rome, or of the rescripts. Lee fears that if anything further is done, his ignorance of the law may prejudice the cause, but he does not think there is anything more to be done here than they can do by mutual consultation. Hear that the new nuncio, the Pope's steward, and a bishop, is come to Barcelona.*

If he has the rescripts, the bp. of Worcester will do his best to see them executed when he arrives at Barcelona, and Lee will do his part when he comes to the Court. Valladolid, 12 June 1529. *Signed.*

P.S.—*Asks Wolsey, if he has not sent the monitory of the bp. of Palencia to Rome, to send it to the French court to meet the bp. of Worcester, who will see everything done concerning it. Have not heard what has been done with the monitory sent to the archbp. of Toledo.* Valladolid, 12 June 1529.

Pp. 3. *In Lee's hand. Cipher deciphered by Tuke. Add.*

12 June. **5671.** LEE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 186.

I wrote on 31 May *specially of Gonzalo Ferdinando, the Emperor's chaplain. I have since heard that the Emperor sent him to the earl of Desmond, to whom he has returned with a chaplain of the said Earl's. Understand by the Cardinal's letters of the* 5*th June your pleasure for the return of Worcester, and what I should do touching the brief. As we are convinced of its falsity, we think there is no need to ask for the original. The Emperor will not suffer us to continue in his court, but has sent us to Valladolid. I will not, however, fail to do the best, especially if I can return to the Court, which is not like to be, unless we have some new commission to communicate to him. To amuse the Emperor's council, Worcester, who must needs go by Perpignan, as Don Ynigo makes his entry that way, will execute the rescripts, if they come, and he can find the time. Preparations go on for the Emperor's journey, which they say will not be till July. The king of Tremesame provides for him* 100,000 *hanegas of wheat. A new nuncio,* (*Jerome Selade, bishop of Vaison,*) *has come to court. The Dauphin and his brother have been taken to Pedrasa in Castile. Fourteen days since a French spy was taken there and quartered. English merchants complain that they are robbed at sea by the French.* Vallolite, 12 June 1529.

Hol., cipher. Add. Endd. by the King : "The Amners letter."

5672. THE EMPEROR'S JOURNEY.

Vit. B. XXI. 17. B. M.

"Summa præsidii in comitiis Constantiensibus collecta ad iter faciendum Romam atque ad consequendam coronam Cæsaream, atque ad alia commoda atque res Romani Imperii expediendas."

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List of horse, foot and money contributed by the electors, spiritual and temporal lords, and cities. Total: cavalry, 3,792; infantry, 4,754; money, 143,785 florins.
Lat., pp. 17.

12 June. **5673.** OLIVER LEDER to CROMWELL.
R. O.

Hears from some of Reynold's friends that he takes more pains to clear his account in one day than before in a year. Can produce four accounts which will show their untruth, the trial of which has cost him 100*l.* besides his loss other ways. Asks to be set at liberty, and let Reynolds do his worst. Will be obedient to Cromwell, and trusts that he and the arbitrators will give him 1,000 marks. 12 June 1529.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Cromwell.

12 June. **5674.** MAGDALEN COLLEGE, OXFORD.
R. O.

Decree of Wolsey as Chancellor, in favor of the President and scholars of the College of St. Mary Magdalen, Oxford, in a suit against Thomas Polsted, senior, now deceased, and Thomas Polsted, junior. Dated in Trinity term, 12 June 21 Hen. VIII.
Corrected draft, p. 1.

13 June. **5675.** SUFFOLK and FITZWILLIAM to [HENRY VIII.]
Cal. D. xi. [1. 56.] B. M.

* * * "by writin[g that the Turk will invade Hun]gary with 200,000 horsemen . . . . . [h]ath provided for money and . . . . . n and his whole army continually . . . . . of three years. If this be the cause th[at inclineth] the Emperor so suddenly unto peace, it is [to be expected] that he shall have other matters to think up[on than] to embusy himself with hindrance or empeshem[ent] of your great matter. Finally, I reasoned with hy[m], and said that in mine opinion, if the lady Marg[aret] did make so great haste for concluding of the pe[ace] as Bayard reported, it was to be supposed th[at,] the peace once concluded, the Emperor would pass [over] into Italy; and there he being first furnished with g[reat] sums of money, by reason of redemption of the Ki[ng's] children, with other sums that he should recover [in] Italy, it was to be drad and feared that he might and would displease and trouble his and your confede[rates].
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. . . . . said great diet and th . . . . . [at] all times to set forwards upon . . . . . [a] day limited for this meeting, fo[r] . . . . . saith that your Highness and he desireth . . . . . and everich of you greatly desireth as he [knoweth] right well, the performance of both th . . . . [for the] deliverance of his children and a good br . . . . . final determination in your great matter of matrimo[ny]. Wherefore, inasmuch as he is desirous that your great matter should take the effect desired, and will help thereunto with all his possibility, so he doubteth no[t] but that your Highness will be content that all conveny[ent] means possible be used for redemption of his child[ren], and that in all manner ways ye will help thereun[to], and this like a very entire and assured brother h[e] prayeth your Highness to continue, and required us to advertise your Highness of the premises immediat[ely]."

Ib. 57. * * * "nothing intend but . . . . . [t]he lady Margaret had said unto [us that her au]ctoryte from the Emperor is so ample [that t]here can no difference insurge upon the [same, which] shall be required for the peace, but that she [can, without] any further sending into Spain for counsel [or knowledge of] the Emperor's pleasure, compone and finally deter[mine] the same." She doubts not that when all

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parties requisite are assembled, the treaty will be concluded in one or two days. The French king, having so nearly attained his desires, and having good hope to recover his children, and supposing that by the neglect of this occasion his whole intent may be frustrated, has persuaded his mother to send a gentleman to Cam[bray] to prepare lodgings for he[r] * * * by Monsr. . . . . es of the King's house that the . . . . . yng by the river of Seine fr . . . . . were near arriving at this town an . . . . [knowing] the King's pleasure therein, counselled us to [meet him] at his descent from his barge. At th[e disembarkation] I, duke of Suffolk, saluted the King, the lady [Regent], Mons. de Angouleme, the King's son and h[is] . . . . daughters; and riding with him on the left side, th[rough] this city unto his place called the Louvre, having [such] commodity and good occasion, I recited unto him h[is] communication had at Romorantyne before me and thoth[er] your ambassadors, saying that by report of Mons. de Burges all the said determination was clean alt[ered]. He answered that the same was very truth, and that the importunity of the lady Margaret with the common fame that was spoken amongst the Burgony[ans] was the very cause of the same, for where . . .

Ib. 58. * * * "... de unto us by th . . . . . [M]oreover whereas his Majest[y] . . . . . [t]hat Bayard should return to Par[is] . . . . . from the lady Margaret, and that he [should remain] here till Bayard's arrival, and al . . . . . there should be a meeting first at Cameray [between] three personages, the one to be sent from your Highness," and the others from the French king and the lady Margaret, to see that the conditions for the peace to be proposed at this diet should be reasonable and acceptable, and before that [is] known the Regent should not move towards Cambray. All the premises being suddenly altered, and the French king giving full credence to Bayard's report, we conceived * * * "this day . . . . . [accomp]agnyd with the prevost of . . . . . s by the commandment of the King . . . . . the said Bayard remaining s[till with the lady] Margaret had written and certified h[ow that, so far as] he can conjecture or judge by good woo[rds and]" countenance of the lady Margaret, that there is great hope the peace will take effect, and that he is required by the lady to d[emour] in her court, and she will send a gentleman to reside with the lady Regent, to certify e[ach] other of the occurrences expedient to be known before their meeting at Cambray. The time for the meeting is not yet determined by the lady Margaret, but preparation is being daily made by her, and when we do we[ll] ponder the same with report that Bayard . . .

Ib. 59. * * * "empesche and let th . . . . . [th]e said country. After this upon new letters received fr[om] . . . . . unto us that his army in Naples prosp. . . . . the Cesarians by divers inconveniences . . . . . and that the count Peter de Navare [whom] the Cesarians had taken prisoner, is decease[d and] departed from this world." Paris, 13 June.

In Knight's hand. Mutilated, pp. 7. Suffolk's signature only remains.

13 June. **5676.** SIR GREGORY CASALE and PETER VANNES to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 157. B. M.

Wolsey knows what happened up to the 6th from their separate and joint letters of that date. Think their reasons against the advocation of the cause will take effect. Will omit no point of their instructions, or anything else they think advantageous. Are expecting Benet hourly. Have endeavoured, both with the Pope and his councillors, especially Salviati, to appease his anger against the allies, who, he says, intend to occupy Perugia. He complains that the French king has instigated Malatesta Baglione, the

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Papal commander of Perugia, to revolt, and has assisted the Florentines by sending him 1,000 foot and a number of horse; that commissioners are appointed to govern the States of the Church; and the advice of the Venetians, Florentines, and the duke of Urbino has more weight with the French king than justice. He says that the abbot of Farfa has been sent by the French king to plunder the neighbourhood of Rome, which has given a handle to the Imperialists and Colonnese to commit still greater devastations. The Abbot boasts that he will enter the city as the Colonnese did. The Pope sees how readily an inextinguishable fire would be kindled, and has used all his power to prevent the Imperialists from collecting an army, and overrunning this district. Now he feels so indignant at this new injury, that he will provide for his own safety and avenge himself.

The Imperialists, knowing the occupation of Perugia by the Florentines, have told the Pope that they are ordered by the Emperor to protect his Holiness's states and rights at his expence; and, whether he wishes it or not, they have determined to expel the enemy from Perugia. These plans he cannot and will not prevent, especially as he sees that the Florentines wish to take him prisoner to Florence. He told them, with tears in his eyes, in the presence of the French ambassador, that he would revenge this boldness, and put himself in safety; for which purpose he has sent for 3,000 foot from Spoleto. He is also indignant at the detention of his niece. He says he would rather serve in the Emperor's stable than endure any longer the insults of his subjects and vassals. Cannot express the excitement with which he made these complaints. Answered that the kings of England and France had clearly proved their faith and affection to the Pope. He immediately replied that he knew the King's mind, and had always put his trust therein, and always would do so, but he complained of the French king and the other allies. We said, that the two Kings knew nothing of the plans of the Florentines and the duke of Urbino for occupying the Papal states, and that Malatesta was only retained by Francis to repel the enemy, and they were sure that when he knew of the damage done to his Holiness he would immediately rectify it; and offered their assistance for the preservation of his states. He said they could do no good, and the French king could not excuse himself, for he had heard everything from Salviati in the Pope's name, and had refused to pay any attention to him, even saying that the Pope could not complain of the engagement of Malatesta, as he had formerly engaged Doria. This the Pope says he never did, but he has letters from the French king asking him to do so.

He is also indignant at the French king for neglecting to inform him of the negotiations for peace. He says that he sees the intention of the French king and the other allies, but he will implore assistance from every one, except the Turk, and defeat their attempts. He thanked them for their offered assistance, but spoke of it as useless. Asked him to consider the evils that would ensue if he asked assistance from the Colonnas, and allowed the Imperialists to enter the state, which they would plunder and devastate; Malatesta also would be confirmed in the possession of Perugia, which is too strong for the Imperialists to take; he would give himself up again as a prey to the Imperialists, deserting those princes who have always desired the exaltation of the See, and hope to prove their good will in the conclusion of a peace; but this new conflagration, which his Holiness ought to avert, will prevent the wished-for peace. He would admit none of these arguments. Did all they could to appease him, but fear they have been unsuccessful. Finally, he said he was not God, but man, and intended to use all means, force or fraud, to defend his own, and recover what he has lost.

Their opinion of the Pope's mind is as follows:—Think that he will so act that he need not declare openly for the Emperor, but defer a public declaration till he sees how matters go. He seems to rest upon this:—First, he thinks that the Emperor will visit Italy, and, if there is a war, will be

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victorious, so that it will be to his Holiness's advantage to obtain his friendship beforehand; but if peace is made, the terms are at the Emperor's pleasure, and there is therefore more to be hoped for from his assistance than from that of the French king. The Emperor is the enemy of the Allies, and seeks to recover the honor he lost by the sack of Rome, which he intends to do by assuming the protection of the Pope when peace is concluded. The French king is allied with those whom the Pope regards as his greatest enemies. Every one thinks that the French king would prefer the Florentines to remain in their present liberty, which the Pope also says he wishes, although an intimate counsellor of his says otherwise. The mission of the archbishop of Capua is a matter of no little consequence. It is said that he is to assist the legate Salviati, in the Pope's name, in arranging peace, and to do nothing of which the French king does not approve; but still there may be some other object in view.

Will attend to the bulls tomorrow. The cardinal SS. Quatuor has been taking recreation for the last week. There are public prayers for peace. Rome, 13 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 10. *The passage in italics in cipher deciphered.*

13 June. **5677.** PETER VANNES to WOLSEY.

R. O.

What I and Gregory have done you will see in our joint letter. The Pope, hearing of the meeting at Cambray, and considering himself neglected by France, has appointed the archbishop of Capua to be present at the convention. I heard from him the next day that he was to go to France, and wait at Chambery till he heard the King's pleasure. I think he suspects there will be no certain peace unless you are present, &c. I said that I was certain that if you were there the Pope could have no more faithful or friendly minister. He knows nothing of the coming of the Emperor, but thinks he will send large forces into Italy. He told me he did not willingly engage in politics. Pray send me the letters for cardinal Ravenna, of which I wrote by Thadeus. Rome, 13 June 1529.

Hol., Lat., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

13 June. **5678.** HERCULES [GONZAGA], CARDINAL OF MANTUA, to ———.

Vit. B. XI. 162. B. M.

"Molto Reverendo Signore." I have received news from Genoa, dated the 8th, that Andrea Doria was going to start in the evening with the galleys to meet the Emperor. Another messenger says he saw him set sail. His correspondent says that the Emperor's coming is considered certain, either for this month or July. Great preparations are being made. Mantua, 13 June 1529. *Signed.*

Ital., p. 1.

15 June. **5679.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 323.

What I say in the King's letters of recapitulation is that I could not have sufficiently shown for the satisfaction of this King all the matters of which he has given me charge, but I have made no other despatch. You will see their terms; consider about your own, in which, if you do not make haste, it will be more to your disadvantage, quite apart from the risk arising from delay. For the present all goes well; that is to say, they do not wish to provoke you. But you may be sure they are in great pain, especially from the great suspicion they entertain of the passage of the Emperor, agreed as he may be with you; which, if it take place, they expect the Pope will revoke his commission; and they fear you only offer them comprehension in the peace, and not the honor of being principal contrahents. This they con-

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sider as no small beating and diminution of their reputation. I think, therefore, it would be well if you can do anything to satisfy them on this matter, as I wrote to you on the 11th.

I have sent by the bearer some hackneys for Fitzwilliam upon his journey, in order that he may make less diligence. I doubt not that on his receiving the present you will be pretty far gone into the country. It will not be so soon as I could wish, and I declare that I am half dead with the continual rude beating that I am subjected to; but you know I have a good and firm opinion, and will not give up the place easily. Also I have communicated to Wolsey, I think with some adroitness, the will of Francis as you wrote to me, and I am sure I have got him to approve of it. I believe that whatever the others do, the end will be as I have written to you. He is too subtle for them. (*Il est trop fin pour eux.*) It is true that if at this moment your affairs be concluded, they not being the principal contrahents, the people will cry out upon him as a traitor and a Frenchman, as they already give him to understand. He assures you it is an injury to him that this assembly takes place without him. I have written to you, ever since my arrival, all the language he has used about it. You will know from what source it proceeds. I do not say this to excuse it; but, I will answer for it, he would speak otherwise if he dared. So far as I can learn, Fitzwilliam has made good report to his master of the affairs of England, "et a trouvé les propos du Roy totalement confermans les moyens (? myens)."

Yesterday evening the Court arrived here. The King, coming by water, landed, in passing, at my lord of Rocheford's, with a small company of ladies and gentlemen, where he waited for the tide, and then went to Greenwich. The Queen had already passed by land, and had seen Campeggio. Friday* is their day. I much fear that for some time past the King has come very near Mademoiselle Anne, therefore you need not be surprised if they want to hasten it; "car si le ventre croist, tout sera gasté." I have heard lately, on good authority, that the king of Scotland has sent to treat with the Emperor, principally for his marriage. In Ireland there were some practices going on by those of the country, to which a stop has been put in good time. I think they are going to send Master Mour thither to treat with them. London, 15 June.

P.S.—I hear they are sending the prothonotary [Lazarus] De Bayf as ambassador to Venice. I think, whoever has made choice of him, it is much to his credit, and that when he has had a little experience he will do great service to the King. The ambassador here complains that the letters of his correspondent are withheld from him.

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15 June. **5680.** PARISH OF STURREY.

R. O.

Notarial copy of the will of Thos. Gilbart, of the parish of Sturrey, Cant. dioc., made 26 May 1465. Dated 15 June 1529.

Vellum, mutilated.

16 June. **5681.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Theiner, p. 583.

In my last of the 4th I announced that we had decreed a citation to the King and Queen for the 18th inst. Yesterday the King returned to Greenwich,—I suppose, in order to be present at the day fixed. The Queen in passing crossed the water, and came to visit me, even to my bedside, owing to my gout, which is accompanied by a slight feverishness, she being very anxious and perplexed about her affairs. The cause of her coming was to tell me that her advocates, who ought to have come from Flanders, had not come,

* The 18th.

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because, it seemed, the Emperor had given them to understand that he did not wish them to do so, as the place is not safe. Consequently, the Queen found herself without any one to plead for her; for although she had certain other English counsellors assigned her by the King, it was easy to believe that they would in everything have greater regard to the King's pleasure than to her necessity. She therefore requested my aid and counsel. In reply, I exhorted her to keep a good heart, to rely upon the King's justice, and upon the conscience and learning (*dottrina*) of those prelates who have been assigned to her for counsellors, and to rest sure that nothing inconsistent with justice and reason would be done by us Legates.

She then inquired, what was the state of the case (*de litis pendentia*), and how any proceedings could be taken during the trial of the cause at Rome before the Pope; asking what I knew about this matter, and whether the cause had been revoked. I replied that I had learned by letters of the 15th ult. that, although great importunity had been made, the commission had not been signed, for these reasons,—that the cause had not been brought into court, and that the Pope, having deputed two Legates for this process, would not revoke it without great forethought and consideration. I exhorted the Queen to pray God to enlighten her, in order that she might take some good course in this great difficulty, considering well her state, the times, and the tendency of things, and committing to God all or the greater part of her troubles. Although she is very religious and extremely patient, she does not accede in the least to these hints of taking vows. She regards this fact as the great solace of her mind and as the firm foundation of her righteousness, that from the embraces of her first husband she entered this marriage as a virgin and an immaculate woman. This she very solemnly swears. She formerly made the same declaration, and still declares and affirms it even to the King himself; and it appears that this thing raises some scruple in the King's mind. On the Queen's departure from me she went to her lodging here in London, and there met her counsellors. Nothing else has occurred since up to the present hour.

I communicated your last letters to the Cardinal by my secretary, as also to the King, who was at Hampton Court. They did not fail to refer to what their ambassadors had mischievously written in the first instance when they were cited, and since. I have made them all comprehend that the Pope could by no means prevent the Imperialists from doing what they did; so that some of our people here assert that not even the King himself could prevent a similar act of justice being done in this kingdom. They are, however, of opinion that the Pope will not sign the commission or revoke the cause; and therefore they are making the utmost importunity for it to be proceeded with and terminated.

What counsel the Queen will take under these circumstances is unknown. Some think she will object to the place, some to the judges; some think to both. Others think she will not appear; others, again, that she will allege *pendentia litis* or some other hindrance or impediment. Within three days we shall know for certain. I will not fail with all my ingenuity to pursue whatever course will tend to "the honor of the justice of this Holy See and of his Holiness," although I may be greatly impeded in so doing both in body and soul. In addition to my other troubles, I receive no remittances from Rome. Pray make prompt provision, in order that I may not fall into dishonor by getting into debt, or begging in an undesirable quarter.

The Treasurer, who went to the French king with the duke of Suffolk, returned here on the 9th, on account of the negotiations for this peace. I understand they (the French) insist on an immediate determination being taken, but here there is not so much ardour as there might be. It seems to me the negotiation is being procrastinated, in order to witness the result of

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this cause, or at least until it is put in good trim. The cardinal (Wolsey) is using all his efforts to secure its conclusion, with the Pope's authority. He tells me that the French king and his own King desire him to repair to Cambray for the present negotiation, and that on the completion of this business we shall go in company, and not depart without great honor and satisfaction to the Pope. London, 16 June 1529.

P.S.—When conversing with the Cardinal about the peace, and the coming of the Pope to the place of congress, he told me that the Pope would not repair thither, as the French had refused his conditions, which were, that Marseilles or Rouen should be placed in his hands for his security. I replied that it seemed very unlikely the Pope should demand such a thing, because he had no suspicion either of the French king or the Emperor.

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5682. WALTER DEVEROUX [LORD FERRERS] to WOLSEY.

I have held the sessions in Kermarthen, in S. Wales, to the King's advantage, according to the old custom, correcting thieves and malefactors. During the sessions Rece Griffiths, Esquire, encouraged the malefactors by causing proclamations to be made in divers churches to induce the people to attend upon him, and make quarrels in the town of Kermarthen. On Tuesday, 15 June, he came into the castle with his armed servants, where I was with other gentlemen, and picked a quarrel with me about Thos. ab Howen, his kinsman, whom I had committed to ward for various misdemeanors, and for hurting the people when they came to the castle to demand remedy, by which he has forfeited to the King 650 marks, as appears by his recognizance and other bonds taken before the Prince's council. When he drew his dagger on me I took it from him, and committed him to ward, and shall keep him there till I know your pleasure. His friends stir up the people to rebellion, but he shall not be let out till he finds sufficient surety to answer for his misdemeanors. I beg an answer by my chaplain, the bearer, and to be informed how I shall act in this case. Kermarthen, 16 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.:* "My lord Ferrers, &c."

16 June. Galba, B. IX. 168. B. M.

5683. MARGARET OF SAVOY to HENRY VIII.

Has received his letter. The Spaniards, who have plundered Englishmen, have done the like to her subjects.

Is sure that it was against the Emperor's wish, as he has confirmed the truce. Thanks him for his offer of delivering them, on their making restitution. Will write to the Emperor to desire him to prevent such outrages. Assures him that the English will be well received here. Brussels, 16 June '29. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

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5684. HYDE AND OTHERS.

Commission under the seal of the duchy of Lancaster to Thos. Barkeley lord Barkeley, Sir Edmund Tame, and John Arnold, for the settlement of certain disputes within the town of Wynchecombe, Glouc., and to enquire into the alleged felony for which Thos. Hyde was arrested. Dated 16 June 21 Hen. VIII.

On parchment.

[16] June. Vit. B. XIV. 18. B. M. Records of the Reformation, II. 609.

5685. KATHARINE OF ARRAGON.

Her appeal to the Pope and protestation against the jurisdiction of the Legates. Barnard's Castle, [16] June [1529].

Notarial copy by Florian Montinus, attested by [Wm.] Claiburgh.

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17 June. **5686.** LADY KATHARINE RYX to WOLSEY.
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His servant, Master Ryx Griffith, is in Caermarthen castle, in the keeping of lord Ferrers, on a false surmise of desiring one Thos. ap Owen, servant to the King, then in ward in the same castle, to take out of the constable's hands one Jankyn, servant to the said Ryx; upon which the said lord Ferrers drew his dagger, and Ryx in his defence did the same. There was no harm done, except that Ryx was hurt in his arm. On this he was commanded by Ferrers, on a penalty of 1,000*l.*, to remain in the castle; at which the county is greatly discontented. The same Ryx, before he came to Caermarthen, sent his servants to take lodgings for him among his tenantry, and to set up his arms on certain doors, which were taken down by Ferrers. Great dissatisfaction has prevailed ever since Ferrers was officer in these parts; for he and his servants quarrel with Ryx's tenants. Ryx would have written, but is kept from pen and ink. Begs, for the great love between Wolsey and her father, that he will not allow them to have shame and rebuke. Caermarthen, 17 June.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* My lord Legate. *Endd.*

17 June. **5687.** YNIGO DE MENDOZA to CHARLES V.
Lanz, I. 308.

Did not render to the Emperor an account of the conversations which he had held, and the services which he had performed, with the king of England, when he took leave of the King, because he thought he should be his own messenger.

Madame (Margaret) sent him the letters which Montfort had brought to her towards the end of March, and which gave Mendoza his dismissal, directing him before his departure to procure a renewal of the ancient amity which had always subsisted as well with the Cardinal as with the King. Before speaking to the King, went to see the Cardinal, and said all he could to persuade him in order to draw the King into the Emperor's amity, and in order that the Cardinal should become a third party in the same. Although the Cardinal's reply was to no good effect, all hope of a favorable result was not to be lost. At length, as Mendoza continued to urge the amity, he said that after he had spoken about it with the King he would give Mendoza his answer.

Ten days after, when he had well considered the subject with his master, he sent for Mendoza, and made the usual long preamble, to the effect that the separate peace should be suspended for the present, and that only a general peace should be labored for throughout Christendom. Replied that the Cardinal knew very well, judging dispassionately from the past, who was the cause of the present war; that Charles had always been inclined to peace, for the public good; that he would accept any just and honorable conditions; and that a separate peace was the only means of arriving at the general peace which the Cardinal desired. The Cardinal then requested Mendoza to show him the power which he had to effect this separate peace. Replied that before the signature of the document, he would give full satisfaction with respect to his power.

The Cardinal then commenced to treat upon the subject of the debts due to his King and to himself. He evidently wished to entertain Mendoza with words not to the least effect; and as he perceived that Mendoza would be obliged to depart because he could do nothing, he took ten more days to consult the King, in order to defer Mendoza's departure. After more than twenty days, the Cardinal made answer, with the King's consent, that Mendoza might entertain good hopes, as the King would give him a most ample reply on all points, and that the King would give the ambassador an audience within four days.

At the day fixed, went to Greenwich, and met the King as he was issuing forth to go to mass. After assuring the King of his humble

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respects, Mendoza commenced to speak in a voice so loud and so intelligible that he could be heard by all, saying that he had attended in the Court for three years, during which he had constantly offered the amity of Charles to the King, between whose predecessors and those of the Emperor a firm alliance had perpetually subsisted, while with the King's adversaries the Emperor had remained at enmity; and for these reasons it was neither just nor reasonable that for a slight accident so ancient a friendship should be destroyed. Declared, moreover, that he had come once more in the Emperor's name to appease any grievance or dispute which might have arisen between their two Majesties.

The King then bade those who were nearest to retire, and led Mendoza to a window, where he repeated all his old complaints,—with which the Emperor is well acquainted; and he descended by the Cardinal's stair, in order that he might argue for a general peace.* Reminded the King that he had many times delivered his charge upon the subject of these grievances, and said the King ought to be contented. Stated that he had no commission to speak of the general peace, but an ample commission for a separate peace. After dinner the King took Mendoza apart, and informed him that he had held a long consultation with the Cardinal, and expressed his astonishment that Mendoza should seek to amuse him with fair words, seeing that he had so many causes of complaint against the Emperor. Asked the King whether he had any other grievances than that respecting the debt. He replied that he had;—one was, that Charles had held him in such little account that he would never, out of regard for the King, make peace with the king of France; another, that Charles had, to his great disadvantage, interfered at Rome to hinder the matter which he had undertaken for the discharge of his conscience.

Reminded the King of the conditions to which the French king had bound himself on his faith and word, and of those to which the Emperor was bound, when the contract at Burgos was broken; from which the King might see that, out of consideration for himself and for the public weal, Charles had lost a large portion of his right. Remarked also that if the king (Henry), by amicable means, had continued the neutrality which he had commenced, his affair and his authority would have been benefited. Urged that what was done at Rome on the Emperor's part was so just and reasonable that Henry ought not to complain of it, especially as he had set the example by giving to his wife, for her defence, a council of the most learned and distinguished prelates and lawyers of the realm, remitting the fealty which they owed to himself, and ordaining that the same should pass to the Queen; all which induced the belief that his Highness did not intend to use any violent measures.

The King denied that the Emperor had lost a large portion of his right out of regard for himself, because all the articles agreed to by Charles had been already published elsewhere before they were treated upon with him or his ambassadors. Henry said he had intervened with all possible mildness in the peace until he saw it was of no avail, and then he had adopted rigorous measures; and that his ambassadors had delayed (*posé en effect*), in order to arrive at a general peace. As to the Queen, who wished him alone to defend her, the King said that, for this reason, and in order that the truth of this matter might appear the more plainly, he had assigned to her such a council for her defence; that he had no need for the defence of the Emperor or of any other prince, seeing that he did not interfere in the affairs of others, and that no one ought to meddle with his.

As to the first point, Mendoza replied, that the King was greatly deceived

* "Et il descendit par le degré du Cardinal a faire instance, afin qu'il parlât pour la paix generale."

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if he thought the Emperor would have been influenced more by menaces and threats than by love for the tranquillity of Christendom. As to the second, that if Charles had intervened between the King and his wife, it was not to set them at discord, but to labor that they might live in the same concord and harmony in which they had always lived. That Charles, in acting thus, believed he was acting in accordance with his conscience and his honor, and with the authority of his person and that of the Queen, to whom he was so greatly bound. That if, on Charles's part, anything had been done for the said defence, it had been done with so much moderation as to be evidently done out of love for the King.

To this Henry answered, in great wrath, that he wished Charles to know that the more he defended the Queen the more he would injure her cause. Replied that Charles could not abandon her defence, even if the Queen desired it; and on this account the Queen did not merit any greater ill-treatment, for it was not in her power to prevent Charles from acting as he did.

The King then departed, in order, as Mendoza supposed, to go and render an account of all that had passed between them to the duke of Norfolk and others who were there. After he had remained with them for some time, he sent for Mendoza into his chamber, and told him that as he intended first to accept the amity of the French king, he had determined to refuse that of the Emperor; but that if he wished to treat for the general peace, "*il nommât celui qu'il vouloit, à fin qu'il pût interposer sa personne pour la porter aux fins qu'il avoit toujours tant souhaité.*"

Replied that he had no commission for the general peace, but Madame (Margaret) had one, or would have one shortly, if it were necessary. The King said he understood very well that Mendoza was only urging the separate peace to extract some promise (*parole*), by means of which Charles could obtain better terms from France. Told the King he was in error, for the Emperor was not compelled to seek the amity of France. Requested him to consider what authority and reputation he had enjoyed through his friendship with Charles, and how he had always participated in the Emperor's victories and good fortunes; that if on this occasion he followed the example of his predecessors, the Italian victory would, in a great measure, be attributed to his Highness, as to one who, by his counsel and with his assistance, had effected it.

The King made answer that the Emperor would find the enterprise more difficult than he imagined; that the preparations for it were not yet come from Italy (*venus d'Italie*); that he was better informed than any one as to what was wanting for it; and that he could not make peace with Charles without making peace with the French king.

Requested thereupon his dismissal, seeing that his residence at the King's court bore no fruit. Henry gave it very reluctantly, and then returned to his chamber, very dissatisfied, as it seemed. Returned to his lodging, after giving an account of his interview to the duke of Norfolk, and telling him the cause of his departure. Two days afterwards the Cardinal sent for Mendoza in a round-about way, in order that the summons might not appear to proceed from the King. "*Il voulut me retenir par des paroles, lui paroissant que la conjuncture, dans laquelle je partois, lui étoit fort contraire, à cause qu'avec l'entreprinse d'Italie son parti s'afoiblissoit, d'où l'amitié avec la France pourrait resulter, voyant qu'il n'étoit pas le maître de l'empêcher.*" Wolsey said his King desired the general peace above everything else, because in honor he could not do otherwise at present; but great affairs were constantly on the change, and that Mendoza had better depart in consequence of his ill-health, especially as the amity—both generally and particularly—could be negotiated with the (English) ambassador who was coming hither

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(to Flanders). Replied that the Emperor would shortly send a person to reside there, and that they could likewise appoint an ambassador in ordinary, to the end that the mutual understanding might not be lost.

With this agreement took his leave, but had to wait 17 days before he could obtain his passport; "*pendant quel temps arrivèrent ceux qui étoient allé demander le brevet à Sarragoce;*"—from whence the King learnt three things, which greatly moved him: first, that the departure of the Emperor (for Italy) was quite certain; secondly, that the ambassadors were returned to Valladolid, at which he was annoyed; thirdly, because he had not been informed of the cause of their going thither. As to the departure for Italy, the King was so grieved at it, that he immediately dispatched the duke of Suffolk to the king of France, to incite him, as it is believed, to provide for the affairs of Italy, and to give him not only counsel but assistance. All this proceeds from that unfortunate marriage, from which he is doing his very utmost to free himself; and on this account he will put all possible obstacles in the Emperor's way, to prevent him from going to Rome.

With regard to their ambassadors, they would desire exceedingly that one of them should remain there (in Spain), because they think it is necessary to keep an ambassador at the Emperor's court, as they have always done so formerly. They declared their repentance for what they had done; that what was passed ought to be dissembled out of regard for the future. Is sure they would have given him his dismissal if he had not forestalled them, and that he gained authority by demanding it. As* they had concerted that Mendoza should make the exchange with the bishop of Worcester, and that Dr. Lee should remain, they agreed that both of them should come, and that Mendoza should be exchanged for them. On this agreement departed from London and came to Calais, where the Cardinal told him he would find his passport; which came three days after he arrived there (at Calais), but so full of errors and with such conditions that Mendoza refused to avail himself of it.

As letters were come by way of Lyons and Geneva, which removed all doubt about the Emperor's departure, Mendoza wrote to the Cardinal that if the King gave him permission to quit that place (Calais), he would give his word of honor not to leave these countries (Flanders) before Charles had given order for the English ambassadors to return there (*i.e.*, to England); otherwise he would surrender himself at Calais as a prisoner, until their ambassadors had departed from that realm (Spain). The King granted this, because of a rumor being spread that the Emperor's negotiation with England had been broken off.† Acted in this manner for three reasons. First, because he feared that on arriving at Barcelona he should find the Emperor to have already departed. Secondly, because he felt assured that he (the King?) would use all imaginable artifices before taking a direct course,—the more so as Reves, in certain conferences held in England with the French ministers, could not defend his master's proceedings, the honesty of which was very dubious; whereat they were highly indignant.‡ Thirdly, and chiefly, because he had always endeavored to take part in the former enterprises of Charles, which he would not have been able to do had he remained there (in England), as his indisposition could not suffer the sea; but from here he can proceed by land, as soon as the English ambassadors

* Although? "Comme" in orig.

† "à cause que par la négociation d'Angleterre on ne profitoit rien par le bruit qui couroit qu'elle étoit empêché, comme pour être assuré que, vôtre Majesté aiant ma liberté, il demandroit ses ambassadeurs dans icelle."

‡ "d'autant plus que Reves, dans quelques conférences qui se sont tenues en Angleterre avec les ministres de la France, les matières étant fort délicates, ne put pas les défendre, comme il devoit, avec honneur de son maître; de quoi je sçai qu'ils se ressentirent beaucoup."

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are in France. Prays the Emperor to command them to betake themselves thither, binding them to write, instantly after quitting the realm (Spain), to the captain of Calais, who will inform Mendoza. Madame has promised that if the ambassadors were not dismissed, she would cause Mendoza to return to Calais.

After he had crossed the channel (*détroit*), received a letter from Charles, dated at Saragoza, 19 April, with the Act which was made for the English ambassadors, when they demanded the original of it in the name of their King. The copy of the whole was brought by those messengers of the Queen, for which reason there was no need to send it. Wrote immediately to the Cardinal on the subject of the safe-conduct for the person whom Charles desired to send. The Cardinal answered that it was necessary to have the name of the person. As it was not mentioned in Charles's letter, there will be some delay.

When he left London the whole affair of the Queen remained in great quietness, and there was no appearance of any process being made. It was unnecessary, therefore, to draw up an act of protest, or to institute the slightest appeal before the judges, for Campeggio had not then adjourned the suit (*partie*), and was still ignorant whether the king of England* had accepted the commission. After Mendoza had arrived at Bruges, he learnt that the King was urging strongly for the process to be seen, and that the Queen had been summoned to appear before the Legates on the 18th inst. The Queen wrote instantly to Madame, informing her of this, and earnestly requesting her to send the two lawyers (*jurisconsultes*) who had been there formerly, for if she employed English advocates they could not speak with so much freedom as strangers. It seemed to Madame and her council that to do so would be contrary to their allegation that the defence of the cause in that realm is useless. Wishes, however, that the advocates should be sent, but only to refuse the jurisdiction in the name of the Queen, to allege the reasons for that refusal, and to interpose the appeal; for the Queen will be greatly afflicted if the advocates be not sent, and the people would lose courage, thinking she had been abandoned. Is awaiting the person whom Charles is to send from his court, and who should be a good canonist.

By a letter from Dr. May, dated at Rome, 17 May, has learned all that had passed with the Pope, and the protest which had recently been interposed. His Holiness seems to defer what he formerly promised, as much as he can. Fears the Pope has ordered the Legates to proceed by the first commission. If this be done, Charles may consider the Queen to be as good as† condemned. From hence there has been sent a notary, by whom Mendoza wrote that the Queen should appeal on the first act of judgment, and that she should send the appeal to Mendoza, in order that it may be sent immediately from hence to Rome. If this take effect, all that is done subsequently will be fruitless. But he thinks that the Queen is deceived by her council, in which, although there are some good persons, there are others in whom Mendoza has little confidence. She will be greatly advantaged if the advocates whom Mendoza demands do not refuse, at such a conjuncture, to undertake her cause. Besides being very pious and honorable, she possesses numerous advantages,‡ which entitle her to all the services that one can render in her defence.

Of the departure of Madame from Cambrai the Emperor ought to have heard long ago. Some think it (the conference) will be to no profit. Mendoza thinks otherwise, for it is necessary to obtain some pause in the

* "si celui d'Angleterre avoit accepté la commission."
† "autant que." ‡ "elle renferme en elle plusieurs avantages."

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enemy's preparations during Charles's journey (to Italy). If the plague in Italy should be as prevalent as it is reported to be, or if other difficulties should arise, Charles could, on the peace being concluded, return to his states with a better cause. On this pretence it is a great advantage to have the passage through France, for in seven days Charles can be consulted on any difficulties. Thinks it certain that, as the news of this interview arrived in England at the time when the duke of Suffolk was departing for France, the Duke was ordered to be present there, and had letters of procuration (*une procure*); for Mendoza understood from the Cardinal that whatever peace might be made his master wished rather to be one of the contracting parties than to be excluded; and although the kings of England have always been distrusted in matters of agreement, Mendoza feels sure that this King, to recover the money he has scattered in various directions, will change the custom, and urge on the war with all vigour, until he reaps what he has sown. Hopes that after Henry has recovered his money, and the king of France his children, the time will not be so favorable, and the necessity of the adverse parties (*des contraires*) will be great.

An ambassador from Scotland has arrived here, to propose the marriage of the queen of Hungary (to James V.) Believes he delays his journey for the present, in order not to disoblige the French king, who has given him to understand that he values the friendship of England more highly than that of Scotland. The king of Scots greatly desires an alliance with the Emperor. Recommends it, as it would give the king of England some anxiety, though such an alliance might cause England to grow cold in its affection towards Charles. Mons. de Bredan was charged with this affair, and he has proved himself to be a good servant to the Emperor. Brussels, 17 June 1529.

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17 June. **5688.** FRANCIS I. to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

MS. 5499, p. 177, Bibl. Nat.

Since writing last, has heard from l'Esleu Bayard of the good and honorable overtures made to him by Madame Margaret at his arrival in Flanders, and her great desire for peace. She told him that if she did not think matters ripe for conclusion, she would give neither herself nor Madame the trouble of coming to Cambray, nor run the risk of losing reputation by failing in such an enterprise. Has communicated this to the duke of Suffolk, in order that he may inform the King his good brother, and wishes Du Bellay to do the same to him and Wolsey. Madame has accordingly proceeded hither upon her journey, where she has stopped for three or four days. She leaves today for Compiegne, to go further if necessary, having meanwhile despatched the sieur De Humieres to secure lodgings for her. Preparations for war, however, must not be relaxed in consequence of these proposals. Francis caused the ambassadors of the League to be asked, in Suffolk's presence, what they would do to keep it up; and they replied that every one of them would do his part. On which Francis recounted to them, especially to the Venetians, their past faults, in which they have continued till now, both in not supplying the number of men to which they are bound, and the consequences which ensued from their neglect, as it was notorious that the League would otherwise have carried everything before them in Lombardy. These matters I caused to be discussed before Suffolk, that he might see how affairs had gone, and what forces I had still in Italy, and those which the League had also at the siege before Milan, which by their confession are much fewer than mine. Notwithstanding which I wish them to understand that to prevent them falling into the Emperor's devotion, I would use my utmost power, short of engaging my own person, which I was compelled to reserve by the advice of the King my good brother; and for this reason I had just despatched 4,000 lanceknights, come from Germany, with the

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force under St. Pôl, amounting to 9,000 or 10,000, and hoped to chase the Imperialists out of Italy.

Has determined to send a person to Rome, as Du Bellay has suggested, to promote the affairs of the King his brother, with instructions simply to do everything that the English ambassadors desire. Has chosen De Tarbes for this office, as the person who understands Henry's interests best. He will start in a day or two, after communicating with Suffolk and his colleague here. Du Bellay is to communicate any other instructions which are thought advisable. Paris, 17 June 1529.

French, pp. 6, from a transcript.

5689. FRANCIS I. to CLEMENT VII.

MS. 5,499, f. 156, Bibl. Nat.

Doubts not the Pope has been informed of the efforts the king of England has continually made with Venice for the restitution of [Cervia] and Ravenna to his Holiness. Is surprised that the Pope makes a difficulty about granting to a king so devoted to him certain bulls and dispensations. Begs his Holiness to consider that the interests of England and France are the same, and to despatch the matter as soon as possible.

French, pp. 2, from a transcript.

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5690. JOHN HACKETT to WOLSEY.

Galba, B. IX. 169. B. M.

Was at Mechlyng on Sunday last, preparing to go with my Lady to Cambray, when he received Wolsey's letters, dated Westm., 8th inst., and the King's to my Lady. Immediately came hither to the co[urt]. Delivered the King's letter to my Lady, and told her the effect of Wolsey's, the great complaints of Englishmen and Irishmen of the losses they suffer from Spanish ships, which scour the narrow seas. She answered right amiably, "Mons. l'embassatuer, sertis il me desplet et suis bien . . . . . della importunite et mal importance des dyts ess . . . . . et de mon povoyer je me imployeray pour y reme[dier,] car j'ay oy beaucop de complayntes tant des p[illages] que font suer les sogettes de l'emprueur propre, quant [sur] ses amys et proussayns woyssyns; et je feray . . . . . semble' le conssell, ou Mons. de Bewyrs que es[t] almyral della mer, y serra, et nous verons d[e] concluyr suer ceste affere, et quant de vous march[ands] aventuryers ung les assurera au myeux que on pou[rra]."

The matter has been discussed in the Council on Tuesday and yesterday. At the conclusion my Lady sent for him to tell him the resolution.

As to the piracy, she can do nothing, as it is not in her jurisdiction; but if the King will advertise her authentically of the amount of the damage, she will do her best to obtain restitution from the Emperor. She has already written to the Emperor about the complaints made to her, asking him to prevent such acts, and to make restitution. She desires the King that it will please him "as touching the p[innace] th[at] . . . . . of Brigelmeston (Brighton ?) to lay hands on all such pro[perty] as shall be found in the said pinnace belonging [to] any of the King's or Emperor's subjects, making such restitution as reason requires," liberating the pinnace and the mariners for this time, on condition of being treated in future as pirates. Their attempts on the French she cannot "defend," for it is said that the French have plundered them in English havens, and that they can get no redress. The Merchants Adventurers and all the King's subjects may come and go through these countries as freely as the Emperor's own subjects, as Wolsey will see by the enclosed letter from my Lady to the King.

On Sunday evening my lord of Be[wyrs] came hither with Sir John Camell, on an embassy from Scotland to my Lady. After dinner he presented his letters and had aud[ience]. Is informed that he comes hither to make some

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great alliance with these countries, thinking the better to revenge themselves upon their enemies. Hears for certain "that *the lord of Bredam, under covering of his embassadry to Scotland, has by the Emperor's and Don Fernando's commissions a (been?) the cause of this ambassador's coming hither.*" He has been well received at dinner and supper by Hoghestrate and the cardinal of Luke. He speaks pretty good French, and some Latin. Hears that he is uncle to the earl of Argyle. He desired to make Hacket's acquaintance. At the instance of the lord of Bredam, supped last night with lord Bewyrs and the said ambassador. He will remain here for a time, as his business cannot be concluded until the journey of Cambray. At supper, said it would be a good thing for Scotland to be always at peace with England. My lord of Bewyrs answered, "Let us marry the princess of England to the king of Scotland, and all will do well;" which the ambassador confirmed. Said, laughing, that it might happen that the ambassador had charge of some other marriage; to which neither answered; but Bewyrs brought in a cup of wine, and they pledged each other and departed. He will remain here in Brabant and Seeland till my Lady returns. "Your Grace knows what communication tha . . . . . have had with *my lord of Bredam at his comi[ng] from Scotland;* and if your Grace knows no more th[an] I can perceive, methinks he plays with the two-hand sword." My Lady intended to have left for Cambray on Monday or Tuesday last, but the coming of the ambassador of Scotland and of the captains of Almain has delayed her till this afternoon. The cardinal of Luke, and the lords of Ber[ghes], Burre, and Bewyrs, left this morning with 400 horse. Hoghestrat, my lord of Palermo, the Privy Council, and Hacket will leave tomorrow morning. Letters from Genoa state that victuals and ammunition had arrived from Spain, that Andrea Doria left with his army on the 5th instant to go to the Emperor, who was ready on May 16, and waiting only for him. Letters from Dutchland say that it was feared that the Turk would be within Hungary before the 10th inst. Brussels, 17 June 1529.

Hol., pp. 5. *Add. Endd.*

17 June. R. O. **5691.** JOHN HACKET to WOLSEY.

After closing this letter spoke with Don Inygo, who asked him to forward the inclosed letters from my Lady to the King; and requested Wolsey, as soon as he had good tidings from the ambassadors in Spain, to release him from his promise. He will then go through Almain to meet the Emperor in Italy. Brussels, 17 June 1529.

Reminds Wolsey of Sir Richard Akyrston. The margrave and scowtet of Antwerp are highly displeased that he is kept so long, and his costs not paid.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

June. R. O. **5692.** [HACKET] to BRIAN TUKE.

The margrave and "scowtet" of Antwerp are displeased that Sir Richard Akyrston is left so long in prison without payment of his costs. If I had the money, knowing my Lord's deliberate mind, I would not fail to do my Lord's pleasure; but I am rebated of 50*l.*, and have not been paid what I have disbursed in the King's business. Trusts Tuke will take care that his necessities are provided for.

P. 1. *In Hacket's hand. Add. Endd.*

18 June. R. O. **5693.** WALTER DEVEREUX [LORD FERRERS] to WOLSEY.

Wrote on the 17th June last of the great insurrection in these parts, at the instigation of Rece Griffith and lady Haward. There has not been such an insurrection in Wales in the memory of any one. Made proclamations in the King's name, and divers of the King's servants and true subjects came to his

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assistance. The captains and ringleaders then returned home, and everything is quiet. Kermarthen, 18 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To, &c. my lord Legate's grace. *Endd.:* My lord Feris, 18 June.

18 June. **5694.** PROCEEDINGS of the LEGATES.

Vit. B. XII. 58. B. M.

On 18 June the bishops of Lincoln and Bath and Wells appeared before the Cardinals, produced their citation of the King and Queen, and declared that they had executed it, having endorsed it to that effect.

For the King, appeared Ric. Sampson, dean of the Chapel Royal, with letters of proxy for himself and Dr. John Bell.

The Queen was herself present, and protested against the jurisdiction of the Cardinals. She desired her protestation to be registered and returned to her; which the Legates granted, and desired Montini, Clayburgh, and Watkyns to act as notaries. They then appointed John Hewes, LL.B., promotor or coadjutor, cited the Queen to reappear on Monday, June 21, to hear their decision about her protestation, and allowed Sampson to have copies of the proceedings.

Present, the bishops of Bath and Wells, the abbot of Westminster, John Tayler, master of the Rolls, and others. *Signed by Montini, Claiburgh, and Watkyns.*

Lat., pp. 5.

Vit. B. XII. 16 b. B. M.

2. Fair copy of the above, with full copies, inserted in their respective places, of the Legate's commission to the bishops of Lincoln and Bath and Wells to cite the King and Queen to appear on June 18, dated 31 May 1529; of the certificate of the bishops of having cited the King and Queen in their privy chambers at Windsor on June 1; of the King's letters of proxy for Sampson and Bell; and of the Queen's protestation against the jurisdiction of the Legates,—in the middle of which the document ends.

Lat., pp. 45, *mutilated.*

June. **5695.** THE DIVORCE.

Vit. B. XII. 61. B. M.

"Directorium processus fiendi secundo die in eventum quo utraque pars comparuit."

1. The judges to take their seats at the appointed time and place. 2. They must receive the original letters of citation, and an attestation of their execution. 3. If the King and Queen have not appeared, they must be publicly summoned. 4. The proctors of the King and Queen must exhibit their proxies. 5. The judges must appoint a "promotor" and scribes. 6. The judges must deliver articles to each party; 7. and must appoint a time for them to answer. 8. They must require the notaries and witnesses to draw up an instrument of the premises.

If one party does not appear, the judges must perform the first three articles, and then pronounce the party not appearing contumacious, and issue another summons for a third day, that the party may receive the articles.

If the Queen appears in person or by proxy, merely to protest, the judges shall assign a day to decide upon her protestation.

Lat., pp. 2.

Vit. B. XII. 208. B. M.

2. Campeggio refuses, in his own name and Wolsey's, the appeal of Katharine of Arragon to the Pope, and summons her to appear on Friday next between [9] and 10 a.m.

Lat., pp. 5, *draft.*

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Vit. B. XII. 204. B. M.

3. Appeal of queen Katharine to the Pope, the Legates having refused to accept the previous appeal by her. *Signed at top and bottom of every page.*

Lat., pp. 7. *Endd.*

Vit. B. XII. 54. B. M.

4. Notes concerning the right of appeal from the jurisdiction of judges, and the grounds on which the appeal should be granted or refused; and also concerning the appointment of scribes and selection of witnesses.

Lat., pp. 6. *In Vannes' hand.*

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5. Additional article put in by the advocates of Henry VIII. relative to the protest made against his marriage with Katharine in the presence of Richard [Fox], late bishop of Winchester.

Lat., vellum.

Vit. B. XII. 57 b. B. M.

6. Form of summous to be used, if the Queen appears personally or by proxy to protest and refuse, to summon both parties to appear to hear the decision concerning the admission or rejection of her protest.

Lat., draft, p. 1.

Vit. B. XII. 62. B. M.

7. Directorium processus tertio die.

1. The judges to meet at the appointed place between 9 and 10. 2. If the Queen does not appear in person or by proxy, she must be summoned by the crier. 3. The "promotor" must then propose that she should be pronounced contumacious, and her protest rejected. 4. Articles must then be offered to both parties, which they are requested to answer on oath. 5. If the Queen appears, the promotor must urge the rejection of her protestation in her presence. 6. If the Queen makes her appeal in writing, the judges must reject it. 7. If the Queen departs appealing, the promotor must suggest that the judges should warn her to be present throughout the whole proceedings, threatening her that they will proceed, whether she is present or not.

Lat., p. 1.

Vit. B. XII. 63. B. M.

8. Direction for the process on the third day, if both parties appear.

1. The judges to meet as appointed, with secretaries and witnesses. 2. When the promotor demands the rejection of the protestation, and the Queen its acceptance, the judges must reject it in the following words: "Nos ex certis causis et considerationibus legitimis animos notros ad id moventibus, rejicimus materiam S. D. Reginæ et singula in ead[em], et pro jurisdictione nostra in hac parte pronunciamus et decernimus fore procedendum in causa et causis nobis commissis juxta tenorem et formam commissionis apostolicæ nobis in hac parte factæ, recusatione illa in aliquo non obstante." 3. The judges shall warn the Queen to cause her proctor to be present at the future meetings of the court. If neither the Queen nor her proctor are present, she must be cited for the above purpose. 4. Articles must be furnished to the King, and a time given for replying to them. 5. the judges shall determine to attend on the King to administer an oath and examine him on the articles. 6. The Queen or her proctor must be warned to be present at the above examination.

Lat., pp. 1.

Vit. B. XII. 67 b. B. M.

9. Direction for the process on the third day if the Queen's protest is rejected.

1. The articles are to be given to the King's proctor, and the judges are to agree to attend upon the King to take his oath to answer them; and they must also decree a citation for the whole cause for the Queen. 2. At the time appointed, after taking the King's oath they must decree his examination before the day of the Queen's appearance.

Lat., p. 1.

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Vit. B. XII. 68 b. B. M.

10. Direction for the fifth day.

1. The certificate must be received, and the messenger sworn. 2. If the Queen appeals, the judges must decree that it is not to be received, and assign "apostylos" (certificates to that effect). 3. The Queen must be pronounced contumacious, and a decree made for proceeding to the reception of witnesses and other acts necessary for the cause. 4. The King's proctor must exhibit the King's reply to the articles signed by him. 5. Witnesses to be received and sworn. 6. The King's proctor must be warned to exhibit the bull and dispensations touching the marriage. 7. The Queen must be cited to be present at the said exhibition, if she thinks it advisable, and to exhibit dispensations on her side. 8. The judges shall appoint Claiburgh to examine the witnesses, taking Watkyns as his secretary, and another notary must be asked to make an instrument thereof.

Lat., p. 1.

Vit. B. XII. 149*. B. M.

11. Direction for the twelfth day.

1. The additional article must be administered. 2. The protocol of the King's protestation against the spousal in his minority must he exhibited. 3. The bishop of Ely must acknowledge his signature. 4. The court must be prorogued until another day.

Lat., p. 1.

Vit. B. XII. 69. B. M.

12. Articuli.

Articles objected to the King and Queen by the Legates, containing the facts of the case, and by which the witnesses were examined.

Draft, mutilated, pp. 2.

Vit. B. XII. 48. B. M.

13. "[Domine] procurator, elegantem hanc scilicet et ornatum tuam [oratione]m audivimus. Et licet potentissimi et invictissimi [nostri Regis] fides, religio, ac in veritatem et justitiam propensio [tam] nobis perspectæ sint ut de eisdem minime dubitemus, [nihi]lominus tamen id abs te audire ac tam præstanti [et l]uculenta oratione confirmatum non possumus non vehementer [gau]dere, et eo præsertim quo majestas sua nullorum gestis [dicti]s aut allegationibus, quantumvis minus considerate aut . . . . . in hanc publicam coronam (*curiam*) adductis, minime irritata . . . . . a aut alterata fuerit, licet forte non ea quæ [decui]t suæ dignitatis ac regii fastigii habita sit ratio. . . . . que tamen quod sua serenitas nihil aliud in hoc negocio moliatur [quam quod] veritati et justitiæ consentaneum nobis judicibus [vide]tur, ac in quamcunque partem res ipsa cesserit ac evaserit [æquo] animo sit latura, facit omnino rem sibi et tanto principi ac [fidei d]efensori dignam. Partium igitur nostrarum erit ita rem . . . . . solum Deum præ oculis habentes examinare, discutere ac [omnin]o judicare, ne ullo personarum respectu a recto delirasse [videam]ur, partesque bonorum judicum obisse, et ita tandem [veri]tate perspecta id faciamus ac desernamus (decernamus) quod Deo gratum [et Regi] ac regno utile futurum sit."

In Wolsey's hand.

20 June. Cal. D. XI. 28. B. M.

5696. [SUFFOLK, FITZWILLIAM and KNIGHTE] to [HENRY VIII.]

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might conveniently sp . . . . . [more]ovyr, being ascertained that . . . . . ore unto Compiegne where the K[ing] . . . . . intended to be in the evening, did the[reupon, without] longer tarrying, resort unto the said to[wn, leaving] behind me a servant to inquire for the said . . . . to give knowledge unto him of mine arripva[l and of] my going before unto Compiegne, desiring h[im] therefore to repair after as soon as he might conv[eniently]. Who being advertised hereof, did give knowledge [to the] King of my coming; whereof the King was vea[ry glad]; and

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licence required and had, the Duke departed, a[nd came] towards us, where we three, your most bound s[ervants,] being assembled, did confer and peruse our ins[tructions], pondering right well the contents and the effect of y[our] Highness' pleasure in the same, with full purpose to accel[erate] the declaration of them unto the French king, whe[re] . . . . . immediately upon the arrival of his Majesty that * * * [l]ord Legate . . . . . [se]cretary a small packet . . . . . joined with these, saying that the[re were letters come] from Rome directed unto the [Cardinal] Campeggius, and that there was matter [therein of] high importance, desiring me therefore to s[end them] towards England with all diligence; whereof [I made] relation unto my lord of Suffolk and Mr. Treso[rer], and with one assent we determined to depeche the pos[t], and to convey the said letters without further delay [of] time unto your Highness' hand." Compiegne, 20 June. *Part of Suffolk's signature remaining.*

Pp. 2, in Knight's hand; mutilated.

20 June. **5697.** MARGARET OF SAVOY to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Writes in behalf of the captains and crew of a zabra of St. Sebastian, in Spain, who are imprisoned on a charge of having plundered English subjects. Mons, 20 June, a° 29. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. Add. Endd.

20 June. **5698.** [INIGO MENDOZA,] BISHOP OF BURGOS, to WOLSEY.

Galba, B. III. 342. B. M.

Complains of certain crews that had been taken and thrown into prison. Begs they may be restored, lest the present favorable expectations of peace be entirely disturbed. If the French have any complaint to make they can be referred to the conference at Cambray, where the commissaries of the Cardinals will meet to settle matters. Mechlin, 20 June. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1, mutilated. Add.: Card. Ebor. et Legato.

20 June. **5699.** WOLSEY to MONTMORENCY.

MS. Bibl. Nat. 3,006, f. 2.

In behalf of Simon de Bynes, &c. (See No. 5609.) Westminster, 20 June 1529.

Fr., from a transcript.

21 June. **5700.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Theiner, p. 584.

The King and Cardinal are much pleased with what you write—that the protestations and commissions of the Imperialists remain in the same state, and that they had not been signed, and that Stephen (Gardiner) and Brian would declare in what terms they left the matter. The King has great hope of hearing some good news for himself. The Lutheran affairs are appeased, and no one talks about them. I have returned thanks to the King and Cardinal. The King replied, "Let us expedite this my business, in order that I may apply my mind to these Lutheran affairs, and then I will do all things." I believe his Majesty will most certainly write, as I announced in my letter of the 4th of April.

My lady Margaret and the Regent are to meet at Cambray. Henry would wish the cardinal of York to go to the congress; but he will not go unless this cause be first terminated; which result they are endeavoring to secure with all their might. As they believe the Queen will assuredly send to Rome, they intend to dispatch some one thither to supplicate the Pope not to grant the citation of this cause. Among other things, the King alleges that the Pope is in the hands of the Imperialists, and that it will not be safe for him to go to law at Rome.

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These people are much gratified with the advices from Rome respecting the Turk, although they receive news letters from Venice. I have received great consolation from the news you give me of the Pope's health, for bad news had been reported from Venice. London, 21 June 1529.
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22 June. **5701.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 327.

The greatest alarm has been occasioned here by a letter which I have seen, from the duke of Suffolk to his master, stating that he had been told by Francis that when the Ladies came to this interview all would be concluded in two days. From this they believe that everything is settled already, and nothing wanting but a little ceremony; and they say you have acted falsely towards them, always telling them that there was nothing in the matter. I assure you Wolsey is in terrible pain, for to this hour he has always been assuring his master, both in public and in private, that you would do nothing without them. The contrary is strongly suspected at present, and I leave you to judge whether he speaks fair to me now, or says that I have deceived him, and made him deceive his master. I defend myself with beak and claws, yet in the end he will come at me again. Already you know he wished me to go and see the King, and that I should use the best language to him possible,—not putting him wholly in despair, among other things, that the arrival of Fitzwilliam would retard this meeting. This, I see, I must do, partly to keep things in a good train, and partly that he may extricate himself, so that, having my part of the charge towards his master, his own may be so much the less.* It will be needful that whoever brings the news of peace shall be well furnished with good words.

I have heard on good authority that the lady Margaret urges you strongly to come to a good conclusion, declaring the trouble she has had in obtaining her commission from the Emperor, and that there was great danger of his revoking it, as all the ambassadors of his allies, and the greater lords of Spain, had fallen on their knees to him; [showing] that he had seen the duke of Orleans in danger of his life, his own affairs in Italy in the worst condition possible, in Spain every one dissatisfied and ready to rebel, Germany troubled to the utmost, and the danger of the Turk extreme; and that now some of the causes were removed, and the others might cease in time. I have heard nothing of this, but I think it will be a good thing to say, especially to the duke of Suffolk. It is true the great object is to get the children, but it would be better to content all (*contenter tout*). I think Fitzwilliam has brought an order for Suffolk's return. I hear they have letters from Francis of the 16th, stating quite bluntly that he was leaving Paris for Cambray, which I assure you would be much to Wolsey's dissatisfaction. Wolsey would like that, in writing to me of his good will towards Henry in his business, Francis would state that he exerts himself the more willingly on Henry's behalf on account of the constant intercession of the Legate. I think it would be well to do this. Is obliged to send many couriers express, as there are a number of Suffolk's men with all the posts, and he has already lost one packet.

You will see by the King's letters the state of matters about their divorce. All the aid they ask from you with the Pope is that he may not revoke his

* "Et desia, comme voyez, il a voulu que soye allé veoir le Roy, et que le servisse des meilleurs propos du monde, ne le mectant entr'aultres choses totalement hors d'espoir, que la venue de Monsieur Feuguillaume ne feust pour mectre quelque retardement en ceste assemblée ce que je sens bien qu'il me fault faire partie à bonne fin, et pour entretenir ces choses en bon train, partie pour se demesler, a fin qu'ayant ma part de la charge envers sondict maistre, la sienne en soyt dautant moindre."

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commission. Your affairs here have passed the worst, and they consider the peace as made. Seeing that they were so far advanced I made a sermon with the cardinal of York, which has helped the matter. I reckon that as they have a good July to prepare, we shall get them one of these days to swallow the medicine. Wolsey has been much vexed by news he received, I think from Rome, that things had been arranged long ago through the medium of the duke of Savoy; which I told him was not true. The King was very glad of his artichokes, considering the quarter they came from, and is very proud of them.

Wolsey has asked me if the Chancellor would be at this interview. I said I thought not, "si n'estoyt qu'on veist trop grande apparance à la conclusion des choses." He said he saw clearly that lady Margaret, who wished the interview to be as early as the 18th, does not fail to go forward,—for two reasons: 1, to prepare the passage of the Emperor; and 2, to prevent him (the Chancellor) being present, as he was too clear-sighted. He therefore advises that my Lady should not fail to bring the said Chancellor with her, for if anything is done he can take better care than anybody that you do not lose your merchandise. London 22 June.

P.S.—There is no danger in showing Campeggio's packet to Salviati.

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Bibl. Nat. 5,499, p. 134.

5702. Du Bellay to Francis I.

Received yesterday your despatch of the 17th. The Legate is much troubled to find from your letters, and from those which his master has received from Suffolk, that matters are so far advanced without notice being sent to his master, whom he has always assured that nothing would be done in the matter without his knowing beforehand. He spoke much of his services to you, and the confidence he hoped you had in him, of which I had always assured him; and I was grieved by what he said.

He then recapitulated the records* which I sent to you on the 15th, showing the Emperor's ill will to you, and the danger Henry would incur if you join with the Emperor, and the King is only comprehended, but not as a principal contrahent; for as all the treaties have been broken by the intimation of war, the privileges enjoyed by the English in Spain and Flanders would be entirely lost. To all this I made the best reply that I could. I think that Madame Margaret would be glad for them to return to their treaties as before the intimation of war; but with some, as the treaty of London, this would be impossible.

Went to the King after dinner, by Wolsey's desire, and read him your letters and Montmorency's, explaining your intention upon some points, so that he seemed more satisfied than I had seen him since my return. I saw that the Legate had informed him of what I said yesterday. He said he desired nothing more than that your affairs should have the result you wished; but he fears ruin to both from the Emperor's journey to Italy, which he hears is certain, and which is founded on the hope the Emperor has of your money and help; he, therefore, advises you not to ruin your friends and allies in Italy, and especially not to cause the Venetians to throw themselves into the hands of the enemy.

I should advise you to cause the bishop of Tarbes to keep the Pope up to his intention of not revoking the commission of Campeggio; for if this were done now, Rome would be a place full of suspicion, for the Emperor, now being on his journey, will have undisputed power, not only there but in the whole of Italy.

Friday last the King's cause was brought before the judges, who sat at the White Friars'. The Queen appeared in person, and the Dean of the Chapel for the King. The Queen refused the judges. The King desired them to

* "Il me vint faire une recapitulation des records."

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determine the validity or nullity of his marriage, about which he had from the beginning felt a perpetual scruple. The Queen said that it was not the time to say this after so long silence. For which he excused himself by the great love he had and has for her. He desired, more than anything else, that the marriage should be declared valid, and remonstrated with the judges that the Queen's request for the removal of the cause to Rome was unreasonable, considering the Emperor's power there; whereas this country is perfectly secure for her, and she has had the choice of prelates and lawyers. Finally, she fell on her knees before him, begging him to consider her honor, her daughter's, and his; that he should not be displeased at her defending it, and should consider the reputation of her nation and relatives, who will be seriously offended; in accordance with what he had said about his good will, she had throughout appealed to Rome, where it was reasonable that the affair should be determined, as the present place was subject to suspicion, and because the cause is already at Rome.

The judges summoned them to meet again on Friday. I think the Queen will take no notice of it. The judges can then proceed against her for contumacy; which I do not think they will do. Her statement that the cause is already at Rome refers to some *signatura*, of which she wishes to make use, and which the Pope probably winked at. I do not think it a matter of importance. The pleading was in open court, before whom the King did not spare to justify his intention. If the matter was to be decided by women, he would lose the battle; for they did not fail to encourage the Queen at her entrance and departure by their cries, telling her to care for nothing, and other such words; while she recommended herself to their good prayers, and used other Spanish tricks.

French, from a transcript, pp. 7.

22 June. **5703.** WOLSEY to [VANNES and GREGORY CASALE].

Vit. B. xi. 169. B. M.

Although they are sufficiently instructed by the King's letters concerning the advocation of the cause, writes also to show them that if the King's matter is advoked at the Queen's or Emperor's instance, great dishonor will accrue to the King and the judges, and, if the Emperor goes to Italy, the matter would never be brought to an end. They must, therefore, do all they can to prevent, and never consent to, the advocation of the cause; nor must they do nor grant anything that may suspend or hinder the action of the Legates. They must now show the King that they are of some reputation in Rome, and can do him some service.

Does not think the Pope will venture to displease the King by the advocation, and he has no cause to do so. They may assure him that if he does grant it he will lose the devotion of the King and of England to the See Apostolic, and utterly destroy Wolsey for ever. Westm., June 22. *Signed.*

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22 June. **5704.** JEHAN DE LE SAUCH to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 367. B. M.

Gives an account of his negotiations for the meeting of Madame and the Queen mother at Cambray. Great trouble has been taken to hinder the matter, by the duke of Suffolk and the treasurer Feuwillam, and on the part of the Pope; but the Queen mother tells me to write to you that she will be at St. Quentin on Friday, and she advises you to inform the Emperor of the attempted hindrances. As soon as she is with you, she will tell you the cause of the coming of Suffolk, who has sent Feuwillam back to the King. Compiegne, Monday, 21 June.

Yesterday the King and Madame arrived here. Called on the Great Master, who told me that when Madame was ready I should see her; but I

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did not wait, seeing that he had no time, for immediately after dining he went to the King's dinner, where were Suffolk, Feuwillam, who has returned from England, and Dr. Kincht (Knight). After dinner they retired to the King's chamber, where a council was to be held.

Had an interview with Madame, who assured me that the coming of the English ambassadors need cause you no jealousy, for it would not hinder her voyage; they would send on their power, for France and England could not treat separately. Told her that the Emperor would make no difficulty about the comprehension of the king of England, for I brought word of it a month ago from you.

Mention being made of the Pope, reminded her that on Saturday she had said that Dr. Stephen, the English ambassador, who had just arrived on his way from Rome, had told her that his Holiness was very ill, and could not recover; which she said was true. Said that it was reported that he brought the Pope's expedition about the marriage of the king of England. She said she could not say that he had it, but she had heard that there was a difficulty about a brief which had not been found good at Rome; but the marriage did not concern us, nor our treaties. Compiegne, Tuesday, 22 June 1529, 6 p.m.

Mons. de Terbes is going in post to Rome.

Fr., pp. 12, *modern copy.*

22 June. **5705.** ITALY.

Vit. B. XI. 162*. B. M.

Extract from a letter from the Papal treasurer, dated Placentia, 22 June.

This morning a knight of count Guido Rangon, a brother of the French commissioner of stores, arrived with news that yesterday morning, about the fourth hour, the French army marched from Landriano to Lardirago, 4 miles from Pavia. The reserve body, with which were St. Pôl, Claudio Rangon and other leaders, was attacked by the Imperial cavalry, but put them to flight. They were, however, reinforced, and finally defeated the French, and took their guns and most of their baggage. St. Pôl has not been found, and is thought to be a prisoner. Claudio Rangon, Moranus Carbonus and count Hannibal de Novellara were taken. Count Guido, lords de Nabave and Ambra, and Cagninus escaped to Pavia, though some say that Cagninus crossed the Ticino with the Germans.

Lat., p. 1. *Vannes' hand.*

22 June. **5706.** JAMES V. to HENRY VIII.

Cal. B. I. 310. B. M. St. P. IV. 562.

According to his counsel given by Magnus, has endeavored to reduce the broken men of the Borders to good order, though they had been long encouraged by those who abused his authority. Believes Henry's officers will witness that good rule has been kept since last truce, except on the East Border "fornent the Merse," where Ma[ster] Leisence,* captain of Norham, has charge under the earl of Northumberland. He keeps no days of meeting, and makes no redress, as Magnus can bear witness, who has "riply consavit the effairs of baithe oure bordouris" at his last being in Berwick. Reminds him of his frequent applications for redress to Rob. [Bertoun of] Over Bertoun, our treasurer. Jed[worth], 22 June 16 Jac. V. *Signed.*

Add.

23 June. **5707.** HENRY VIII. to BENET, SIR GREGORY CASALE and VANNES.

Vit. B. XI. 163. B. M. Burnet, I. ii. No. 28.

By our letters to you, and by our conference with Benet, you were informed how it was intended that our cause should be diligently prosecuted before the Legates here. They with all due ceremony directed citations for us and our Queen to appear before them on the 18th, which were

* Roger Lassels, according to St. P.

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duly observed. But the Queen, trusting more to the Imperialists than the justice of her cause, put in her protest, and appealed to the Pope, alleging the avocation of the cause. The judges allowed her till the 21st, when we both appeared, and her protestation was refused; but she persisted in her appeal, and, when they proposed to proceed, left the court. Being thrice summoned to appear without effect, she was pronounced *contumax*, and cited to appear on Friday next. As she will make all efforts to impeach the cause, we have thought good to advertise you of the same, that you may prevent the Pope from granting anything to stay process; and if the Imperialists should attempt it, you shall signify to him the dishonor he will do to his legates, his own commission, and his promises, and any other motive you can devise. We doubt not the Pope will act like a loving father, and not do anything displeasant to us, knowing how inconvenient it would be for this cause to be decided at Rome, which is now in the Emperor's power. You should also insist upon our prerogative, as touched upon in our letters sent by Alexander. Bridewell, 23 June. *Signed at the commencement.*

Address pasted on.

23 June. **5708.** JOHN CASALE, the Prothonotary, to WOLSEY.

Nero, B. VII. 87. B. M.

Yesterday Theodore Triulcio and Jo. Joachim sent him letters from their ambassador with the duke of Milan, saying that St. Pôl's army was defeated and scattered. Was with them this morning, and they said they had heard further that St. Pôl, counts Claudius and Guido Rangon, and the count of Novalaria, of the family of Gonzaga, had been taken. The ambassador of the duke of Urbino says he has heard the same from his master. It is very unfortunate, and difficult to be remedied. The duke of Urbino has led the Venetian forces into a safe place; and Cæsar Fregoso, who was a little before St. Pôl's army, intending to attack Genoa, has done the same. Venice, 23 June 1529.

A nobleman has just come from the duke of Milan with the following account:—Count Guido was in the first rank, and arrived safely with his company at Pavia (*Ticinum*). The affair happened thus: All agreed to retreat from Milan; the duke of Urbino led his men to a fortified place towards Lodi (*Laus Pompeia*); the duke of Milan's men went to Pavia; and Cæsar Fregoso, with a considerable number, went further to attack Genoa. St. Pôl, with the rest of the army, proceeded slowly as if in safety, and, in crossing the Lambro, after the first company had passed, a great gun stuck in the sand, which delayed them all night. In the morning the Imperialists under Antonio de Leva attacked those who had not crossed, taking nearly all the baggage. Leva left Milan with all his forces, which was very dangerous; but they say he trusted in the fewness of the Venetians and the disorder of the French, and hoped to catch, as he did, the rear of the army after the rest had crossed. Camillus Ursino, leader of the Venetian army in Apulia, is ill with plague. The Perugian exiles are levying soldiers, with the help of the Pope as some think, to attack the town, and expel Malatesta Baglionis, who will not obey the Pope, and has taken wages from his Florentine enemies, who are sending Baglioni aid. A third war is thus rising in Italy. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

23 June. **5709.** JOHN CASALE to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Wrote last on the 19th that the Signory would consult on that day about their answer concerning the restitution of Ravenna and Cervia. Heard what it was the same day, but did not think it necessary to send it immediately.

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They excuse themselves for not having given an answer sooner, because when Theodore and Casale first spoke of the matter, they heard of the negotiations in France, and they waited to see the conclusion.

They promise to act about the restitution as is agreed in those negotiations. Venice, 23 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

5710. [WOLSEY to ———.]

Vit. B. XII. 207 b. B. M.

Desires him to tell the Pope that he, as the King's lieutenant, will meet the two ladies at Cambray to treat of universal peace. He may assure the Pope that whatever reports there may be, unless Wolsey is there, no such peace will be concluded. Will take care that nothing is concluded to the detriment of the See Apostolic if the Pope handles the King kindly, and does nothing to the hindrance of his matter by advocation or otherwise. Wishes him to urge the Pope to conclude the matter, for Wolsey cannot leave for Cambray until it is settled. "Also it shall be right requisite that my lord Campegius . . . . . the Popes honor and surety, for if the said peace . . be concluded, being absent, it might chance that things . . . . ."

Hol., draft, mutilated.

24 June. **5711.** WOLSEY to SIR GREGORY CASALE.

R. O. St. P. VII. 188.

After I had tied up this bundle of letters, and sent them to Tuke to forward, Gardyner and Bryan arrived, from whom I learned the state of the King's matters.

I find that the Pope is unwilling to make any concession, and will perform nothing of those things which I had promised the King, relying on the Pope's kindness. At this I am greatly troubled. Although the King has great reason for abandoning the Pope, and leaving him to be excluded from the forthcoming league, I will use my efforts that he shall be honorably treated; and I believe that such is his Majesty's generosity that he will not fail to comply with my intercession, provided that his Holiness does nothing to the King's injury, especially in the avocation of the cause, which, among other evil effects, will cause my ruin. The Pope ought not to yield to the importunity of the King's adversaries. As he will make no concession, you ought to urge him not to avocate the cause, lest thereby he loses the King, and destroys my authority, reputation, and life itself. I think the King will listen more readily to my intercession, if his Holiness will send good and efficacious letters *in istam sententiam.* London, 24 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat. Add. Endd.

24 June. **5712.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Theiner, p. 584.

On the evening of the 22nd, Dr. Stephen [Gardiner] and [Sir Francis] Brian arrived. Owing to this the courier has tarried till now.

The cardinal of York has showed me a letter in the Pope's own hand to himself and the King, containing credentials for me "respecting the premises and other public business." As I have received no letters from you, either by Dr. Stephen or by Thaddeus, who arrived with them, I have not known what answer to make up to the present time, except that I have no letters, though probably they are on the way, under direction to the legate Salviati; and that as to "the premises," which referred, as it seemed to me, only to these affairs of the King, I had nothing further to say to them than to confirm what I had so frequently told them, namely, that if the Pope had not done what they could have wished in reference to the brief and their other demands, this would not have occurred had the Pope been able to act with justice and honor. With regard to public affairs, I reminded them that they should continue their protection and defence of the Holy See, as they had

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done in the past, according to the hope and faith which the Pope reposed in his Majesty, especially in respect to this treaty of peace.

I understand that the French king desires the presence of the cardinal of York at this negotiation at Cambray, as also does this King, but not before the termination of this cause, for which they importune beyond measure. London, 24 June 1529.

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25 June. **5713.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Theiner, p.585. Yesterday I wrote all that occurred to me. This morning I caused myself to be borne to the place where we sit in judgment, as we had to take the King's oath today respecting the propositions and articles. We found him there in an adjoining chamber. After the ceremony had been completed, the King delivered to me a packet from the legate (Salviati) in France, of the 18th inst., enclosing your letter of the 3rd. I communicated its contents to the King. With regard to his affairs his Majesty says no more about past proceedings than I have written. He tells me he has written to his ambassadors, that although it was in the Pope's power to have done something for him, he rests satisfied, provided his Holiness do nothing against him in this citation. He has showed me a letter from his ambassadors, of the 7th inst., relating the arguments used by them to persuade the Pope not to exasperate the mind of his Majesty, and stating that he will do nothing whatever. They add in their letter that his Holiness has much faith in his Majesty, that he will not fail, in this negotiation for peace, to do what he has always done in favor and behalf of the Holy See. They bade the Pope to be of good cheer, as the King would not fail him, provided his Holiness did not interrupt this cause in any manner, which would exasperate the King's mind. They state that the Pope excused himself to them, saying they were to entertain no doubt on this head, as he would sooner suffer any thing, however terrible, in his own person.

On my recommending to his Majesty the interests of the Holy See and of the Pope, and inquiring if he would send any one to this conference, he hesitated for some time, and at length said he had not yet deliberated, but would send the Cardinal on the termination of this cause. I represented to him that it was impossible to terminate it in time. The King replied that as the French king had done so much for his Majesty, he would not refuse to postpone the negotiation for his sake. It seemed to me that he laid this down as a settled thing. He asserted that the congress of the Ladies would not take place on the 26th, as they wrote from France, but would be prorogued. He further told me that, in consequence of the declaration of war which he had sent to the Emperor, all their negotiations were broken off and at an end; and therefore it would not satisfy him to be named as a confederate by the French king in this peace, not even if he were comprehended with the former conditions, because it was inexpedient for them, least of all for the French king, as many of the conditions were adverse to him.

In fact, the King is evidently exerting himself to prevent the conference from arriving at any conclusion for the present, because he desires, first, to see the end of his cause, and then to send the Cardinal to conclude, at one and the same time, fresh articles with the Emperor and the universal peace. From all quarters I learn that lady Margaret warmly insists on this conference, and that the expectation of peace increases daily. I have had some suspicion that the Emperor and the French king were already in agreement, and a presentiment that this King and the Cardinal also had some doubts on this head; but now they seem to promise themselves much from the postponement of (the congress), and that it will not take place without an arrangement with the Emperor. In the course of conversation, York said to me,

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"Even were the French to act otherwise, we should still have the means of providing for ourselves, as there are ample mandates in Flanders to compound with us." As an argument for this postponement they urge that it will prevent the Emperor from entering Italy.

Pray, consider well in what travail I find myself,—not to speak of the sentence against the King, the Queen's contumacy, and their manner of proceeding. They conduct the trial in such a manner that it is impossible to act according to the evidence, in many cases, except after their fashion. London, 25 June 1529.

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25 June. **5714.** WOLSEY to [VANNES].

Vit. B. XI. 167. B. M.

Thanks him for the diligence and labour he has used in the King's matter and his own. Wishes the bull brought by Gardiner for the impropriation of the prebend of Blewbery, for the college at Oxford, to be rewritten according to the enclosed minute, as the name of the prebend is not mentioned. Desires him to send it and the bulls for the college of Ipswich by the next post. Instead of the bull which Gardiner obtained for the suppression of the monastery of Pray, to be united to St. Alban's, and the appropriation of the benefice of Tenby thereto, desires him to obtain two bulls, one for the suppression of Pray to the college at Oxford, the other for the union of Tenby to the college at Ipswich, according to the enclosed minutes.

Soon after their receipt, hopes to send him good news for his return home. Asks him to use all diligence that he may once see his colleges established. Westm., 25 June. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Begins :* Maister Petyr.

25 June. **5715.** STEPHEN GARDINER to [VANNES and his COLLEAGUES at Rome].

Vit. B. XI. 166. B. M. St. P. VII. 190. Ellis, 2 Ser. II. 157.

I have arrived safe, and told the King in what state his affairs stand. Although you will be advertised how to act in preventing the avocation of the cause, I thought it better to let you know how much that avocation is considered here. Such a deed would alienate this kingdom, and utterly undo the Cardinal. You are to forbear to make any protestation *tanquam a non vicario ad verum vicarium Jesu Christi,* as likely to irritate the Pope; and treat him kindly. You are to expedite with all diligence the Cardinal's bulls for his colleges of Oxford and Ipswich. Westm., 25 June.

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26 June. **5716.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 300.

The citation of queen Katharine before cardinal Wolsey and cardinal Campeggio, the papal legates. Delivered in the Queen's dining chamber at Greenwich, 26 June 1529.

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26 June. **5717.** JAMES V. to WOLSEY.

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Hopes Wolsey remembers his whole mind sent by Magnus, and the confidence he has in his uncle, who protected him in his minority. Has written to Henry what he has done to prevent outrages in the Borders since the last peace. Expects the English will have no great cause of complaint, and understands there is good rule on their side, except in the East Borders, where Master Leysens, captain of Norham, has charge under the earl of Northumberland, the warden, who keeps no days of meeting, and makes no redress. Has written to the King on the subject. Edinburgh, 26 June. *Signed.*

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26 June. **5718.** ADAM OTTERBURN to MAGNUS.

Cal. B.III.298. B. M. St. P. IV. 564.

Has received his friendly writings "this 25th day of Junii," and caused the messenger of Berwick to have audience of the King on the 26th. Will answer him, without dissimulation, in every point. Certain contracts between the town of Bruges, then staple of the realm, and the Scotch merchants, which were authorised by James I. and the archduke of Burgundy for 100 years, are now expired, and it was thought proper to renew them for another 100 years; but as they relate only to commerce they are not injurious either to France or England. Nothing is done about the marriage of James with the queen of Hungary. A gentleman of Hainault, sent hither by the king of Hungary to desire aid against the Turk, made the overture without authority. Master, now Sir John Campbell, has been sent to those parts about the business of the merchants, and was charged to report any overture that might be made to him about the marriage, but has no commission with respect to it. Thanks him for the safe-conduct to himself and Master John Chesholme. Desires commendations to the duke of Norfolk. Edinburgh, 26 June. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

26 June. **5719.** LOUISA OF SAVOY to WOLSEY.

Cal. D. XI. 8. B. M.

* * * "asseur . . . . . [vostre] maistre et a vous si bon con . . . . . [mon]sr. et filz et eulx. Et mesmemen[t] . . . . . [to]ucha[nt ce]s affaires, pour lesquelz ilz estoient v[enus] . . . . . plus longue lectre, sinon que vous povez avoir ceste * * * ."

Will do all she can to perpetuate the friendship and alliance between Wolsey's master and her son, and prays him to do the like. Noyon, 26 June 1529.

P.S. in her own hand:—According to Wolsey's message, has spoken of everything to Fitzwilliam. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1, *mutilated. Add.*

27 June. **5720.** [LOUISA] OF SAVOY to FRANCIS I.

Cal. D. XI. 9. B. M.

* * * "que cela . . . . . faire de ceulx qui sont a . . . . . er de sen venir sans plus acte[ndre] . . . . . comme aiant satisfaict a sa promesse . . . . . incontinent. Parquoy, Monsieur, je me trouve p[rete] . . . . . me rendre audict Cambray deux jours apres . . . . . arivee a St. Quentin, ou de du tout rompre . . . . . qui est encommance, dont, Monsieur, je vous ay bien [voulu] advertir pour congnoistre a quoy je suis contraincte . . . . . me pouvoir excuser par dissimulacions." Her health is good. Han, 27 June. Asks him to send back the bearer when they are at Cambray. *Signature mutilated.*

Fr., p. 1, *mutilated.*

27 June. **5721.** W. BENET to WOLSEY.

Vit. B.XI.170. B. M.

Their instructions bid them consult learned and expert men here, who are retained for the King's service, as to a protestation to annul any advocation or other act that may be done by the Imperialists. There are none here to whom he dares disclose this matter, and Gardiner wrote from Pavia to warn him to trust none of them in the King's cause. Casale and Vannes are also of the same opinion, thinking that the first thing they would do would be to show it to the Pope, and do nothing but what he commanded. Then again they would wish the cause to be brought here for their own advantage; and they have secretly boasted of the lucre they would gain by it.

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Any protestation had therefore better be devised by the Council in England. Gardiner has probably shown him how unlikely it is that the Pope will grant a new commission, and they have written in their common letter concerning his towardness to grant the avocation. Will declare Wolsey's credence; and if that does not stay his Holiness, sees no remedy, for these things depend upon his will. Despairs in every degree of their charge, which causes him greater heaviness than he ever had in his life. Rome, 27 June.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.* *Endd.*

27 June. **5722.** SYLVESTER DARIUS to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. f. 168. B. M.

Arrived at Rome on the 21st, having been much delayed by brigands and soldiers. Could not see the Pope at first, on account of his illness; but when he had an audience, delivered the messages of the King and Wolsey. Has seen the English ambassadors, and offered them his assistance. Hears from Sanga, who is a good servant to the King, that the Pope will never advoke the King's cause willingly. Wolsey will hear from the ambassadors about the occupation of Perugia. Braccio de Baglioni, with the help of the Colonnas, is trying to drive out Malatesta.

Few know what the Pope will do. No news from Naples. It is generally believed that the Emperor will come to Italy next month. It is reported from Venice that the Turk has commenced to move armies towards Hungary and Germany. Rome, 27 June 1529.

The Pope was very well yesterday and today.

Hol., Lat., pp. 2.

27 June. **5723.** JOHN HACKETT to [WOLSEY].

Galba, B. IX. 172. B. M.

Wrote last on the 17th, with two letters from my Lady to the King. My Lady started that day for Cambray. On arriving at Monts in Henygaw, Mons. [de] Humeris arrived with 44 horse as ambassador from the lady Regent. The secretary, Elew Bayart, has returned to show my lady Margaret's mind. John de Lassaw, who is with the Regent, writes daily. It was thought here that the duke of Suffolk would come to Cambray on the King's behalf, but Lassaw writes that he has taken leave of the French king with fair words and promises, and returned to England. *Hoghestrat* asked what Hacket thought of his returning, good or ill. Said he considered all good that was concluded by the King and his Council in this business; and he doubted not that if they acted as sincerely as the King does, all will be well. He answered, "Mons. l'embassa[deur], je vous sertefye et assure que la volunt ny la intenssyon de l'Emperuer ny de Madame net pas de concluyr le pece sans que le Roy vostre mestre y soyt compris." Doubts not that it is so now; but what change *this meeting will make, he cannot say. Is told that the French king will come as privily as possible to speak with the lady Margaret, which can be easily done, for the ladies' lodgings at Cambray are so made that they can speak to each other through a gallery. Understands that ready money will be a good mediator, and that if the King's highness would prolong the term of payment for the money due to him by the French king and the Emperor, the French king would find money enough for the surplus to pay and please the Emperor without any further mediation.* My lady Margaret arrived here on the 23rd, and waits for the coming of the secretary, Elew Bayart, from the Regent. There are with my Lady, the card. of Luke, the lords of Berghes, Bewyrs, Burre, Fyenys, Hoghestrat, the marquis of Arskot, my lord of Palermo, and others of the Emperor s privy council. The train is not more than 1,100 or 1,200 horse, "all domestically, as men of peace." Part will tarry here, and the rest go on to Cambray. There are about 350 baggage waggons with three or four horses apiece. The Scotch ambassador is ordered to remain in Brabant and Zealand till my

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Lady's return. The people here seem well inclined to an alliance with Scotland.

Eight days ago Don Fernando wrote to my Lady that the Turk was coming towards Hungary, and he has sent a commission to Messrs. de Sampy and De Bredam to be his ambassadors at Cambray, and has written to captain Roghendolf, the marshal of his host, to go to him. As to the army for Italy, the footmen, to the number of 10,000, are setting forward out of Dutchland, and the horse have their muster day at Namur on the 25th, and will then go to Italy, if the journey of Cambray do not cause the contrary. *Those lords who are favorable to the King have no good devotion to this peace, but others doubt not that if these ladies speak together peace will be concluded, either now or soon after, but to whose advantage he cannot tell.* If what he hears is true, *the secretary Bayard, who is one of the conditors of this business, loves not the King nor the weal of England, or else he is a great dissimulator.* Knows not how to behave, for lack of instructions. Valenciennes, 27 June 1529.

Letters from Barcelona, dated the 8th, say that the Emperor intends to land in Italy before the end of the month.

Hol., pp. 4. *The cipher deciphered by Tuke.*

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5724. SANDES to WOLSEY.

Has received Wolsey's letter of the 17th, stating that he had spoken to the King about the royalties of the county of Guisnes, which Sandes claims by virtue of the King's patent; and that his Highness does not admit his claim, but commands him to allow Rob. Fouler, under-treasurer of the Exchequer, to receive the royalties in the King's name. Will obey the King's pleasure. Did not mean to put in a positive claim, but was encouraged by Wolsey to expect it from his mediation, especially as he had ordered Sir John Dauncye to draw up a privy seal in his favor. Begs Wolsey not to put him in comfort again unless it may grow to better conclusion. As other captains of the castle and county have always had the same, it will be thought Sandes has offended the King. Fears the casualties of Marke and Oye, which Wolsey says brought Sandes one year 1,000 marks, will not be worth 20*l.* sterling a year on an average to the King. Those of the county of Guisnes are not worth 20*l.* a year, Calais money. Calais, 27 June. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.:* My lord Sandes, the 27th day of June 1529.

28 June. Vit. B. xi. 172. B. M.

5725. BENET, CASALE and VANNES to WOLSEY.

Benet arrived on the 16th. While waiting for an audience, compared their instructions with his, and consulted together. Feared that from Gardiner's departure the Pope would suspect that the King's cause would be proceeded with without waiting for the production of the original brief. The Emperor's ambassador was strongly urging the avocation of the cause. Thought the best thing therefore was to assure the Pope that the cause was not in progress, but that the King was looking to a quieter way,—the peace which was being negotiated. Showed the Pope tacitly, and Salviati openly, the great injury of advoking the cause at the will of the Imperialists. The Pope seemed to acquiesce in their reasons, especially as he thought Casale was acting sincerely.

Benet and his colleagues had audience on the 21st, and were kindly received by the Pope, who, having read their letters of credence, said that he was especially glad to receive the ambassadors of the King, whom he loves like a son, and whom he would always try to please; and now that he is returned to health, they would see that the ambassadors of no other prince would be so well received, and he would hear with pleasure their commission from the King and Wolsey. Benet said that the King still regarded the Pope with

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filial affection, and trusted in him, and believed that the delay in obtaining a remedy to his cause came from the arts of bad advisers, rather than from the Pope's ill will, and that his Holiness would give him assistance; that he was sent to take Gardiner's place in both public and private affairs.

Did not say more at the first interview, lest he might think Benet had been sent merely to hinder the avocation. The Pope then began to talk of public affairs. He said that, in spite of his efforts, 3,000 Colonnese and Imperialists had met at Perugia, and he would do all he could to prevent their number being increased, if he could strengthen his own position in any other way. He seems to have considered the reasons alleged by Casale and Vannes. If the French king will consider what they signified to his ambassadors and to the Florentines, viz., how disadvantageous it would be to allow the Pope to act rashly from indignation, they hope that some means will be found to appease him, especially as he has often experienced the evil of keeping troops of his own, much more of the Imperialists, who desire opportunities of plunder.

Next day arrived Silvester Darius and Franciscus Campanus. Darius said that he brought letters of credence, and three charges,—to resist the avocation, to urge the production of the original brief in England, and to show the danger that would ensue from the avocation. Consulted with him about the course to take. Advised him not to speak about the exhibition of the brief, as they are charged in the King's instructions to say nothing about it. Three days after they had seen his Holiness, his disease returned, and no person is yet admitted to his presence. Told Salviati that Benet was ordered to speak with him. He came as soon as he could leave the Pope. Benet thanked him for his exertions in the King's cause; to which he answered that he was sorry not to be more successful; that the Pope was not influenced by regard for the Emperor, or for his own advantage, but by conscience, and the more so as the matter was a public one. Said that in this the King agreed with the Pope, as he wished for nothing but the relief of his conscience from a heavy scruple, and the safety of his soul; and they felt sure that although the Pope had not yet been able to grant the King's wish, an opportunity would be presented him for showing his kindness; the King wishes to preserve and increase mutual affection, and that no new causes of dissatisfaction should proceed from the Pope.

Asked him what news he had by Campanus. *He said he had heard that the King's cause was being hurried on in England. Wondered at this, as it was unexpected and false. Salviati said that Campanus had reported it by word of mouth, and that Campeggio stated the same in his letters, which he promised to show them. Benet, who left England at the same time as Campanus, said that he knew for certain that nothing had been done or would be done unless all obstacles were removed, but that there had been some discussion about the transumpt of the brief and other things, and that those who judged others' actions from conjectures, as Campanus had done, were sure to err. Campanus also said that he had had much discussion about the words which he was alleged to have used about the plenitude of the papal power; which words and promises he now clearly denies, and says that he does not know of what consequence are the words, of ordinary or absolute power.*

Answered that as he did not know, they thought the more that it had been said by him, though there seemed to be no place for ignorance. Pledged their word that nothing had been done. The King will see that they keep his instructions secret, and refer nothing to the Pope. Do not think it advisable that the Pope should be informed of anything before they know it. When Salviati left, Gregory Casale accompanied him. Salviati told him that on the day before, on receipt of the news about the process, the Pope determined to advoke the cause, and he had great trouble to restrain him. The Emperor seems to wish nothing more than to hinder the affair,

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and his ambassador urges the avocation, which the Pope thinks it very difficult to refuse. The ambassador did not cease urging the avocation until the Pope and Sir Gregory promised that the process would not be continued. Now if it is proceeded with, the Emperor will think that the Pope has deceived him.

Salviati says he thinks he can restrain the Pope, if they will assure him that the sentence will not be pronounced in England. Took an oath 100 *times that this would not be done, and said that the Pope must be careful to do nothing in the way of avocation, for the matter was more serious than was thought here, and the people of England would consider that some great crime had been committed by the Legates and the King, and that the cause was unjust, especially as the Legates were appointed in a consistory, and were famed for learning and wisdom, and would rather be cut to pieces than act unjustly; and he must judge for himself the evils that would follow to Christendom and the Holy See. He promised to do all he could with the Pope to prevent the avocation. Told him that the King had the greatest respect for the Papal authority, and had done nothing to cause the Pope to advoke the cause. If he did so, all the King's subjects would think that the Pope had done it to deceive the King, and the insult would be too great to admit of reparation; his Holiness could do nothing to offend the King more deeply. These reasons Salviati thought sufficiently strong to influence the Pope. Told Sylvester also how to persuade the Pope that sentence will not be given; but they fear he will believe Campeggio and Campanus more than them. Casale said to Salviati, when he still expressed surprise at their denying what the Pope had heard, that he knew for certain from Benet, Vannes, and from letters from England, that nothing was being done, and it must be remembered that Campeggio was most careful for his own exaltation and the favour of Princes, and had promised the King wonders, so that the King's counsellers thought he had said more than he ought to have done, or than he could rightly perform; and in order not to satisfy the King, but to preserve his favour, he was secretly urging the Pope to advoke the cause, so that he would be free, and could say that he would have done everything unless the Pope had interfered; he would gratify or at least not offend the Emperor, and would gain a reputation for firmness from the common people. Casale said that the Pope must take care he does not incur all the blame, and that the King does not consider he is the sole author of this injury. All this Salviati promised to explain to the Pope. Asked whether, induced only by Campeggio's letters and the words of Campanus, they were doing anything rashly about the avocation, for if the Pope has determined upon it, some months at least should elapse, for the Pope will have the same power then as now, and the King does not wish any progress to be made until all impediments are removed, which will take some time.*

Salviati said further that the Pope understood that the King only desired the sentence to be pronounced by the Legates; that he would wait for no confirmation, but immediately contract a new marriage. Does not know how he can have heard this, unless from Campeggio or Campanus. Said this was false, for the King would do nothing without obtaining the most secure foundation, and they had several commissions to execute with the Pope before any process would be carried on; the King is continually urging them to obtain these requests from the Pope. The Pope will be able to excuse himself for not having granted their previous requests; but if he does so again, he will produce inextinguishable hatred in the King's mind. Think that the avocation may be postponed, but not prevented. The Pope had been accustomed to entrust his letters for France to the ambassadors, lest they should be intercepted at Florence, and they forwarded them to the English ambassadors in France, to be given to Salviati. He

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previously complained that his packet of 4 May had been opened, and now he says he has discovered that letters had been taken out by the English ambassadors, and sent to Venice to be deciphered, of which he has seen copies. Excused it as well as they could, but are sorry that it has happened. Advise Wolsey to write about it, and that the King should tell Campeggio that he knew nothing of it, but not say that copies had been sent from Venice, as Salviati insisted on their not mentioning it. The greater part of this letter had better not be communicated to Campeggio.

News has just arrived of the defeat of the French troops by the Imperialists. The Venetians immediately retreated for three days' march to be out of danger. The Papal treasurer sent the news from Piacenza. The Emperor's visit to Italy is looked upon as certain. There was much hope of a peace being concluded at Cambray. Some of the allies seem to suspect that the French king would not refuse any peace. Rome, 28 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 17, *part cipher deciphered. Address pasted on.*

28 June. R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. II. 60.

5726. THOMAS BISHOP OF BANGOR to WOLSEY.

One of Wolsey's servants of the law, Mr. Skewes, has caused an entry to be made, in the name of one Reskymer, also a servant of Wolsey's, into certain lands in the parish of St. Keveran's, Cornwall, given to the house of Beaulieu by Ric. earl of Cornwall, son of king John, founder of the monastery, which has possessed it more than 300 years. He writes to the Bishop that he intends to give a benefice there, belonging to Beaulieu, to the finding of scholars, and pretends that a cell of monks was once there,—which is untrue, as the Bishop can prove. Wonders what moves him thus to trouble him and his tenants. Begs Wolsey not to allow him or any other to do the poor house wrong. 28 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c. my lord Cardinal, archbishop of York, Legate and Chancellor.

28 June. Cal. B. VII. 132. B. M.

5727. FRANCIS I. to JAMES V.

Is informed that he is proposing to contract a marriage without consulting his ancient ally (Henry VIII). Begs that nothing of the kind may take place to impair the good understanding between them. Coussy, 28 June 1529. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* "1529."

Cal. D. XI. 7. B. M.

2. Copy of the preceding.

Pp. 2, *mutilated.*

5728. THE DIVORCE.

Camb. MS. 1315.

"Johannis Roffensis. Licitum fuisse matrimonium Henr. VIII. cum Catharina relicta fratris sui Arthuri."

Inc.: "Constat Inclitissimum Regem." *Explicit:* "Rescindi valeat aut dissolvi."

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Three treatises, respectively marked C, D, and M:

C. is endorsed, "Liber compositus contra Roffensem pro Regia Majestate impugnans dispensationem, etiam si confessum esset Pontificem Romanum posse in causa Regia dispensare." *It begins,* "Quod ad illud axioma pertinet Pontificem quicquid fuerat obstaculi per suam dispensationem amovibilis, id ipsum haud dubie sustulisse;" *and ends,* "Adjecimus etiam interim protestationem intervenisse quæ vim etiam haberet renunciationis, quæ omnia

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bullæ vitia sic detegunt ut illius virtute hujus matrimonii justitia defendi non queat."

Lat., pp. 69. *In Wriothesley's* (?) *hand; with comments in the margin in Fisher's hand.*

D.—*Headed:* "Liber contra Roffensis orationem habitam coram legatis Romani Pontificis, compositus, ut videtur, per Regem ipsum." *Begins,* "Postquam in hac matrimonii causa discutienda definiendaque controversia nihil quicquam hactenus a vero Christiani principis officio alienum privata auctoritate tentatum a nobis fuerit;" *and ends with the words,* "ut hinc nimirum materiam haberemus exercendi ac provehendi in nobis ista virtutum semina."

Lat., pp. 95, *in two hands. Three leaves are noticed as lost between pp.* 36 *and* 37. This is a very bitter reply to Fisher, who has corrected some of the King's statements in his own hand in the margin: among others, that he had approved of the reasons for the King's divorce; to which he answers, "Non hæc dixi. Certe Cardinalis voluit ut hæc dixissem." In another passage, where the King reproaches him with having said that he was ready to submit to the flames in defence of the truth, Fisher notes in the margin: "Quid amplius ego quam Cardinalis, qui se comburi potius paretur et membratim discerpi quam contra conscientiam faceret?"

M.—Another copy of the latter part of D. from the beginning of folio 37. *Pp.* 24. *In Wriothesley's hand.*

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Otho, C. x. 184. B. M. "Eruditi cujusdam responsio pro Regis defensione ad libellum Roffensis e[piscopi]."

A letter apparently addressed to Fisher on his sending the writer a summary of his treatise on the King's divorce. *Begins:* "Ingentes tibi gratias habemus, reverende pater, quod librum tuum adeo belle docteque, resectis part[iculis]," &c. *Ends:* "Nunc ad responsionem tuam tuumque quadruplex jus d . . . . . priscis theologis inauditum veniemus."

Ib. f. 187 b. ii. Responsio Roffensis.

In the body of this reply occur the words: "Nec te, mi frater Hieronyme." *Begins:* "Hic respondeo quod aliquid dici potest esse contra jus divinum."

iii. The author's rejoinder, in which he refers to R. Wakfeld as his preceptor in Hebrew, of whose acquirements in that language he speaks very highly. Writes strongly against the Pope, and the aggrandizement of the Papal power. Protests against its being considered as a rule of conduct; for, "juxta vulgatum adagium Anglicum, esset nautæ vel Wallici caliga, et non [Lydius] lapis ad quem nos reformaremur, moresque nostros corrigeremus." The reply is apparently divided into four heads.

Lat., pp. 29, *mutilated.*

5731. THE DIVORCE.

R. O. "An judices censentur gravare Reginam non admittendo exceptionem litis pendenciæ eo modo quo per eam coram eis proponitur?" Various arguments given and authorities quoted against the Queen's plea [for an appeal?]

Lat., pp. 2, *draft.*

29 June. **5732.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Theiner, p. 585. Yesterday the fifth audience was given. While the proceedings were going on as usual, owing to the Queen's contumacy, the bishop of

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Rochester made his appearance, and said, in an appropriate speech, that in a former audience he had heard the King's Majesty discuss the cause, and testify before all that his only intention was to get justice done, and to relieve himself of the scruple which he had in his conscience, inviting both the judges and everybody else to throw some light on the investigation of the cause, because on this account he found his mind much distressed and perplexed. If, on this offer and command of the King, he (the Bishop) did not come forward in public and manifest what he had discovered in this matter after two years' most diligent study,*—therefore, both in order not to procure the damnation of his soul, and in order not to be unfaithful to his King, or to fail in doing the duty which he owed to the truth, in a matter of such great importance, he presented himself before their reverend Lordships to declare, to affirm, and with forcible reasons to demonstrate to them that this marriage of the King and Queen can be dissolved by no power, human or divine; and for this opinion he declared he would even lay down his life. He added that the Baptist in olden times regarded it as impossible for him to die more gloriously than in the cause of marriage, and that as it was not so holy at that time as it has now become by the shedding of Christ's blood, he (the Bishop) could encourage himself more ardently, more effectually, and with greater confidence, to dare any great or extreme peril whatever. He used many other suitable words, and at the end presented the book which had been written by him on this subject.

After him the bishop of St. Asaph's (Standish), of the Minorite order, spoke, and expressed nearly the same opinion, but with less polished eloquence, and in briefer terms; and he offered several comments. Then followed a Doctor, called the dean of the Arches, president (*præfectus*) of the court of Canterbury, who alleged various arguments from the sacred canons in favour of the marriage, which were not very cogent.

The cardinal of York replied to all of them, that, in the first place, he was surprised they had attacked them (the Legates?) without warning; next, that they stood and sat there to hear all things connected with the cause, and to do for the sake of justice whatever the divine wisdom should inspire them to do.

The proceedings then continued. On account of her non-appearance the Queen was pronounced contumacious; but she was cited to appear once for all. They determined to examine witnesses respecting her, and the articles were exhibited which had been responded to by the King, who, by his proctor, left his response among the records (*apud acta*). Accordingly the witnesses were examined at great length.

This affair of Rochester was unexpected and unforeseen, and consequently has kept everybody in wonder. What he will do we shall see when the day comes (*alla giornata*). You already know what sort of a man he is, and may imagine what is likely to happen. But as the messenger will not stay, and I am much occupied, I will write no more. London, 29† June, 1529.

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29 June. **5733.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Theiner, p. 586.

They are proceeding with inconceivable anxiety in the King's cause, and expect to come to the end of it within twenty days. The Queen, since she presented her appeals, has appeared no more; consequently they have a wide field for action, and entirely clear, so that they may do whatever they like, and conduct the trial with all those arts which can influence the result in their favour.

I have written that the Cardinal had told me they had recalled from France

* The sentence here takes another turn.

† In Theiner this letter is placed between two others, dated 24 and 25 June.

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the duke of Suffolk and the treasurer. Since then I have learned, more correctly, that they were to return in the event of the congress at Cambray being deferred. It is now reported, by letters from France, that they are returning; which fact signifies, if all be true that is told me, that the negotiation is to be deferred, as you will learn from your son (the legate Salviati in France). Lady Margaret is very importunate, and is constantly sending messengers to the Regent to urge a meeting at Valenciennes; but hitherto, owing to the [French] king's gout* and other causes, it has been deferred, I suppose at the instance of this King, who does not yet wish to send the Cardinal thither, but first to dispatch the cause, though I do not see how that is possible.

When I showed your last letter to the Cardinal and the King, stating that the Pope purposed to go with a pilgrim's staff to these princes in case this peace should be broken off, the Cardinal said that they were pleased to find the Pope of this mind, and that his Holiness should inform the most Christian king, and this King also, of his desire to be present at this composition of peace, which would give them grounds for representing that the conclusion could not yet take place, but should be deferred; and thus they would be able to attend with greater convenience to this their cause, and then send the Cardinal thither. The Cardinal prayed me to write about this to the Pope by way of France.

The French king, through his ambassador, has caused many recommendations to be made to me respecting this matrimonial cause in favor of the King, with many ample offers *in genere*. He tells me he has sent the bishop of Tarbes in post to the Pope for this purpose, to supplicate him not to remove this cause from here, and offer him his assistance if his Holiness should have any distrust of the Emperor, or respecting anything else. The French ambassador tells me that Dr. Stephen [Gardiner] reports that his Holiness had told him that the brief was spurious (*falso*).

London, 29 June 1529.

P.S.—I hear the King has had much discussion with the cardinal of York, proposing, as the Cardinal is unable to go to Cambray in time, to send thither the bishop of London, a man of worth and merit, and More, a learned layman.

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29 June. Laemmer, Mon. Vat. p. 33.

5734. SECRETARY OF CARDINAL CAMPEGGIO to ———.

Affairs here are being despatched so hurriedly that my Cardinal will be able to depart at the same time as I had intended to depart myself. Yesterday, when the Cardinals sat again in judgment, the bishop of Rochester (Fisher), a man who is held here in great esteem on account of his learning and pious life, delivered an oration before the people to the Cardinals, the tenor of which was, that, having by virtue of the King's commission studied this cause between the King and the Queen, he had become positive that their marriage was holy and good, and could be dissolved only by God; that he was prepared to die for this truth; and that if he died for such a cause, he would not believe his death to be less [un]just than the execution of St. John the Baptist. He presented [to the Cardinals] a book composed by himself upon this case, for them to see. This event has given rise to much discussion; and as this man is a man of good fame, the King can no longer persist in dissolving the marriage; for this man being adverse to it, the kingdom will not permit the Queen to suffer wrong. 29 June.

this man = kingdom

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* "Per le podagre di sua Maestà."

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29 June. **5735.** BENET, GREGORY CASALE and PETER VANNES to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 181. B. M.

Salviati tells them that letters have come from the nuncio at Barcelona with no news but that he was well received by the Emperor, who will shortly come to Italy. The Colonnese and the Imperialists, in consequence of their success in Lombardy, will increase their forces, and endeavour to drive the Florentines and Malatesta from Perugia. St. Pôl was taken by the Imperialists. Gregory Casale had often advised the French king to make use of Italians, for the French generals did not know how to manage Italian troops, and fell into ambuscades through rashness. Cardinal Cæsarinus has received letters from Spain, that the Emperor is waiting only for the arrival of Andrea Doria and some ships. Think that the news of the capture of St. Pôl will hasten his coming. He might come to Genoa in a single galley, for he has now no enemies to fear. Think that when it is known here that the French king has turned his mind to the recovery of his sons, and gone to Picardy to make peace, the other allies will submit to the Emperor on his arrival at Genoa. Expect that he will defer peace till he can dictate conditions. Wolsey must see how their hopes daily diminish. Rome, 29 June 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2.

29 June. **5736.** JAMES V. to MAGNUS.

Cal. B. III. 56. B. M. St. P. IV. 566.

Thanks him for his letters, dated London, 15 June, and for his zeal in promoting cordiality between the realms. Is surprised he gives credit to reports of unkindly behaviour on James's part towards his uncle. Bids him tell the King he has faithfully kept every promise sent by Magnus. It is not likely he would have sent so mean a man as John Campbell to Flanders to contract an alliance without the knowledge of Henry. It was only to renew an old band between the merchants of the two countries. Peebles, 29 June. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.: "Letters from the king of Scots to Master Magnus."

29 June. **5737.** CHARLES V. and CLEMENT VII.

Egerton MS. 543, f. 45. B. M. Dumont, IV. II. p. 1.

Treaty dated Barcelona, 29 June 1529.

Lat., pp. 27.

30 June. **5738.** THE KING'S PAYMENTS.

Nicolas' Privy Purse Expenses, p. 284.

Wages paid to falconers, hunters, and others, by the King's commandment, from 31 Dec. a° xx.

23 Jan.—To Hugh Harrys, falconer, board wages from Midsummer to Christmas, a groat a day; for the meat of 8 hawks, 1*d.* each a day. To Humfrey of the privy hounds, meat for one month, 9*s.* To Christopher, falconer, for hawk's meat, 10*s.* To Bryan Talbot, part payment of his wages, 15*s.* Total, Jan. a° xx., 10*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.*

February.—Board wages of Nicholas Clampe, a groat a day; his boy, at 16*d.* a week. Quarter's wages of Jo. Yardeley, hunter, 30*s.* 5*d.*; and of Parsons, "the henne taker," 45*s.* 7*d.* Total, 10*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.*

March.—Quarter's wages of the gardener at Windsor, 20*s.*; William Rutter, in the forest of Windsor, 2*d.* a day; Edmond Lynde, a groat a day; 10 watermen, 10*s.* each; to Elys falconer, for the board of Henry Ellis, 16*d.* a week; board wages of John Evans, falconer, 4*d.* a day; and meat for 6 hawks, a penny each a day; John Awod, 12*d.* a day; John Notte, groom of the crossbows, a groat a day; Jasper, the gardener at Beaulie, 50*s.*; new coats for Philip and Nicholas Clampe, John Evans, Richard Brandon, Haukyn,

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Walter, Hugh Harrys, Thos. of London, Christopher Hawte, and Old Hugh, 11*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*; the livery coat of the purveyor of hens, 20*s.*; month's wages of Robt. Shere, for keeping the King's beagles, 5*s.*; to Crane, the master of the children, for the wages of Robt. Pury, at 3*d.* a day; his board wages, 20*d.* a week; the gardener at Wansted, 4*l.* a year; John Rede, keeper of the great garden at Beaulie, 8*d.* a day; Robt. Elton, one of the watermen, in prest on his wages, 20*s.*; to Nic. Clampe, for keeping a lanneret called Cutte, 1*d.* a day; and other payments. Total, 64*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.*

To Humfrey Raynezford, for chippings for the King's private hounds for two months, ending 30 June, 18*s.* 8*d.*, and other payments to the above-mentioned persons. Total, 21*l.* 1*s.* 1*d.*

30 June. **5739.** CHARLES V.

R. O. Promise to ratify whatever is concluded between Margaret of Savoy and the king of England for peace. Barcelona, 30 June 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

30 June. **5740.** VANNES to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. xi. 182. B. M. Is grieved that they have no hopes of obtaining their desires. Asks that letters of thanks may be sent to the card. Triulcio. Wolsey's bulls are being written, and the tax will have to be paid. The illness of the card. SS. Quatuor has delayed the expediting of the King's bulls. His services deserve a greater recompense than a letter of thanks. Is dealing with the agents of the bishop of Palencia about Wolsey's pension. Has for some time hesitated about saying what follows.

Wolsey at one time said that unless the Pope complied with the King's request, he would find some means to make his Holiness repent, and certain other expressions were used about privation. It would be good to frighten him thus, if he could be moved by threats, but Vannes sees clearly that he only fears and hopes from the Emperor. Wolsey can see whether it would be better to irritate or restrain him. Rome, 30 June 1529.

Hol., Lat., part cipher deciphered, pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

30 June. **5741.** The BISHOP OF BAYONNE to FRANCIS I.

MS. 5,499, Bibl. Nat. Has received his letters of the 21st and 25th inst., which he communicated to Wolsey, and afterwards to the King, who came to visit the Cardinal at his lodging. Henry expressed the greatest satisfaction at the contents of the first, as showing the great affection of Francis, and his resolution not to treat of anything which is not quite in accordance with his pleasure; but on learning by those of the 25th that Madame was going to Cambray without further delay, notwithstanding the remonstrances of Suffolk and Fitzwilliam, he showed himself displeased, seeing that it would be impossible for him to find ambassadors in time, as Du Bellay has already pointed out by his letters of the 21st. He paused a long time in considering whether the ten days, commencing on the 25th, at the end of which time it was resolved to allow Madame to treat with Madame of Savoy, would be sufficient to allow the ambassadors he had chosen, viz., the bishop of London and Master More, to be present in proper time; and finding that it was not possible, considering the instructions that had to be made out, and that the matter affected all the treaties he had ever had with the house of Burgundy, and moreover that, considering the age and quality of the ambassadors, they could not be expected to travel in post, he requested me to ask you to delay the proceedings till his ambassadors should arrive. They are to be despatched on Friday at the latest. I showed him the difficulty you might have in waiting so long, considering the great importunity made to you by Madame

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of Savoy, both for the coming of Jean de Saulx towards you, and for that of my Lady to Valenciennes. Could make no impression on the King by his remonstrances, who insisted upon the request, as if half a kingdom depended upon it, and said that Francis had not only promised Suffolk and Fitzwilliam to wait these ten days, but since then had agreed that if he heard from Henry within five or six days he would put the matter off for some days longer. Represented to the King the great expence that Francis had been obliged to bear, and requested him for a sum of money in consideration not only of the treaties but of their mutual amity. Has not been able to obtain any definite answer, but he assures me that if the negotiations for peace should fall through, he will not fail to assist you with all his power, not on account of the treaties, but from friendship.

As it appears by the conversations Francis has held with Suffolk and Fitzwilliam, that he considers Henry bound to the contribution, the King has referred the matter to his Council, who, on examining the articles of the treaties, consider him in no manner bound. Gives their reasons for this opinion. The King thanks Francis for taking so much to heart the matter of his marriage, and for the despatch of Monseigneur de Tarbes. He hopes to succeed, especially if the Pope do not revoke his commission, as he cannot honorably do. The cause was called on again yesterday, when the King's proctor appeared, and the Queen was a second time put in default for non-appearance. The bishop of Rochester, however, who is accounted one of the best and most holy divines in England, especially in his opposition to these last heresies of Luther, was there with other councillors, but not as her proctor, only to remonstrate with the judges, offering to prove that she had a good cause, by a little book, which he had thereupon made jointly with his companions; which he then presented, enlarging upon the Queen's cause with many wise words. A rather modest answer was made by the judges, that it was not his business to pronounce so decidedly in the matter, as the cause was not committed to him. The *dénouement* will take place on Monday next, and from that time pleadings will be held three times a week, when not interrupted by holidays. The Queen's agents at Rome obtained at a public audience a commission, which the Pope may have ignored or passed over, to cite the parties;—which they did; but no further proceedings were taken under it; and I think the Pope will take care that it go no further, as it is impossible to hinder the affair which is here commenced.

French, from a transcript, pp. 7.

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MS. V. 5499, p. 139, Bibl. Nat. Le Grand, III. 333.

5742. [DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.]

If what Montmorency wrote on the 25th about the health of Mons. de Bouddeaulx (Bordeaux?) be true, would advise Francis not to trouble himself to heal the scrofulous any more.—Church affairs.

You will see by the King's letters part of that which I could inform you. I assure you that if the duke of Suffolk has had a face of marble, the King has had one of alabaster, seeing what you wanted to propose; but this has not been without speaking. However, I pardon him in my opinion that he is a little timid, for he is dying of fear lest on the Emperor's coming to Italy the Pope should revoke his commission, "que diroit que j'eusse envi fait; quand je suis avec luy il avoit grand envie de mentir." I may tell you, that if he do not do anything you may wish, it will not be owing to the Cardinal, who is wiser than he is, nor any servant that he has. Think a little, "comme il vous maine ses gens; c'estoit de la menée du duc de Norfolc que le duc de Suffolch estoit allé vers vous, pensant luy faire un Carsal (Cardinal?) Dyort à Amiens." When Du Bellay arrived here, the Cardinal wanted to break off their journey, and go immediately to Cambray. He saw that the King objected; he yielded, but he rendered their commission worthy of Master Bryan. Afterwards, by good means, he recalled them

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so that they should not be at this assembly; and do not you believe that he is most deeply vexed if all this be concluded before the arrival of those who are going thither, whatever he pretends, provided nothing is done to this King's prejudice.

To return to the marriage. I had written to you that there would be great delay, but I see that since the arrival of Stephen and Bryant, bringing, as I certainly think, [news] of the falsity of the brief, Campeggio is half conquered. In short, for several reasons, unless the Pope quickly recall the commission, you may expect the thing will be done within a month, if nothing else occur, and perhaps sooner. If anything prevent Campeggio, I think it will be his fear, groundless as it is, that Francis and the Emperor will agree, leaving England, and consequently him also, in the lurch. I do in this good service, but without putting myself too much forward. I have asked him on the part of Francis to hasten the matter, saying that I had a letter, and this has already helped them. By the by, Wolsey requests that Francis will write a word with his own hand to Campeggio, begging him to expedite the affair, which he would regard as a favor to himself. To say the truth, I see nothing more likely to help their cause, which being ended cannot but be much to your advantage, as it will be a means to bring this King on his knees to you in future. Perhaps it might not be advisable that the King should write so openly. A letter remains. There would be no need of a date, but to refer the remainder to what I shall have said to him last, "suivant ce qu'en avois dechargé par mes lectres." Your ambassadors will leave on Friday, and will go by long stages. I expect this will be the return of matins (*i.e.*, a mischief done by surprise). I did not wish to send you a courier express, in order that six days might elapse after the arrival of the packet. In sending Wolsey's letters to Dr. Benet [*qu.* Kenet, *i.e.* Knight], excuse the delay, that my courier hurt his foot upon the road, and sent the packet to another. They will believe it, for I have provided for that, otherwise they would see that I have purposely occasioned this delay. London, 30 June, "à la Haye."

French. The original is entirely in cipher. The passages quoted from Le Grand are corrected from a transcript.

30 June. Masters' MS. f. 251.

5743. Benedict, a Florentine Sculptor, to Wolsey.

"Rev. et Ill. Domine,—Ex relatu nobilis viri Thom. Cromwell, tuæ gratiæ consiliarii, percepi tui generosi animi voluntatem, tuam in me benevolentiam ingentem, quod ad finem tui monumenti atque altaris,* et pecuniæ mihi debitæ ac debendæ satisfactionem, quod mihi perjucundum fuit; sic enim potero cuncta, ut cupit amplitudo tua, honorifice brevique absolvere, præsertim si huic rei præficiat tua gratia ipsum D. Thomam, virum magni ingenii maximæque dexteritatis, ne tempus mihi sit conterendum, tuæque sacræ aures quotidie interpellandæ. Qui Dominus Cromwell jussit ut pacta de hoc tumulo exarando inita cum Anthonio Cavallari, et pecuniam ab eo acceptam, totiusque rei istius successum, fideliter enarrarem; quod faciam quam libentissime.

"Cum ipso Cavallari verbis tantum conveni (nam invicem plurimum fidebamus) ut id sepulchrum fabricarem, quod non esset minoris operis, decoris, et pretii quam sit tumba serenissimi regis Henrici VII. Pretium vero, inspecta operis magnitudine, responderet ipsi regio monumento. Et indies pro marmoribus, metallo, artificibus, cæterisque sumptibus, jure meo, nummos soluturum promisit. Et sepultura perfecta, (deaurationem omitto, quia

* Note in the margin: "Hoc altare circa hæc tempora instituebatur Oxonii, in Collegio Cardinalitio."

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nihil ad me,) per homines experientes et honestos æstimandum erat sepulchrum, quanti pretii foret, instar memorati regii monumenti, et dempta pecunia quam accepissem, residuum mihi solveretur.

"Ego autem a die primo Junii 1524, usque ad diem iij. Maii 1529, habui partim ab ipso Cavallari, et partim pro eo ab Anthonio Bonvisi, circiter ducatos quatuor mille ducentum quinquaginta, de qua summa claram veramque rationem potero ostendere; quamvis longe magis ex ære meo sumpserim, et Florentiæ pro marmoribus, ac Londini aliis amicis hujusmodi de causis, debeam summam haud exiguam; nam sperabam quotidie cum ipso Anthonio Cavallari rationem ponere, et debitam mihi pecuniam accipere, quod re vera brevi secutum fuisset, nisi crudelis mors obstitisset. Et nempe multum est tempus cum solutiones pecuniæ mihi fuerunt diminutæ. Dicebat enim ipse Anthonius cito se a tua gratia talem summam pecuniæ accepturum, ita ut mihi uberrime possit satisfacere, et non solum pro tumulo, sed pro altari, ut operarios conducere valerem, eo maxime qu[i]a in hoc fabricando sepulchro cuncta mihi ex sententia evenerant, sive in marmore huc vehendo, sive in ære conflando, sive in bonis ministris conducendis, et denique in omnibus aliis, quod neutiquam raro contingere solet; idque pro optimo auspicio existimabam, aliter namque valde grandiori pecunia opus fuisset, pro tam operosa mole. De cujus deaurationis magno pretio mirabatur ipse Cavallari, quia regio ipsi sepulchro CC libra fuerunt satis, et in hoc circiter octingentis opus erit. Unde plane judicari potest quantum sit discrimen inter hoc et illud; testorque in simplicitate mea id tuum sepulchrum in duplo regium superare, aut plus eo, sumptu, arte, et decore. Quæ omnia ipse Anthonius non ignorabat, ac pollicebatur brevi me Oxoniam iturum ad ipsum altare fabricandum. Ac deinde, tuæ gratiæ nomine, hujus invictissimi regis monumentum exarandum firmiter promittebat. Quæ cuncta, te jubente, si vixero, spero Deo dante me perfecturum. Nihil aliud cupio, nisi tuæ gratiæ servire quoad vivam. Sed cogor semel uxorem natosque visere, et, si expedierit, huc adducere, quia jam x. integros annos (quod me referre pudet) ab eis discriminor. Itaque amplissimam Do. tuam precor et obsecro, ut ipsi prudentissimo Do. Thom. Cromwell mandet, meum hoc negotium rationesque pecuniarum juste concludi et terminari, ne tempus (mihi nimis charum) terere otiose cogor. Ego vero sua jussa capessere quam maxime opto. Ult. Jan. 1529.

"E. gratiæ tuæ,
Servitor humillimus Benedictus,
Sculptor Florentinus."

Copy, pp. 3.

II. "Letter of one Antonio Cavallary to the Cardinal.

"That for gilding the part of his tomb which is already done (being the half) he hath laid out 380*l.* 13*s.* sterling. He seems to doubt whether the Cardinal mean to have the rest of his tomb perfected; which if he do not, he would have him give the gilder leave to go home to An[t]werp, and also to Benedict (a Florentine), the carver, to return into Italy."*

Abstract. Note in the margin: "Patch his jest on Wolsey's tomb fulfilled. See Antiq. Britannic."

30 June. **5744.** TREATY OF CAMBRAY.

Galba, B. IX. 198. B. M.

1. Commission to Tunstal, Knight, More, and Hacket to treat with the French and Imperial ambassadors for peace. London, 30 June 1529, 21 Hen. VIII.

Lat., draft, pp. 6. *Marginal notes by Throgmorton.*

* Date not given.

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30 June. TREATY OF CAMBRAY—*cont.*

Galba, B. IX. 188. B. M. 2. Commission to the same for the same. London, 30 June 1529.
Copy, Lat., pp. 4.

Ibid. f. 193 b. 3. Draft of the above.
Lat., pp. 4. *Marginal note by Throgmorton.*

30 June. Galba, B. IX. 190. B. M. 4. Commission to the same; to treat about the debts due by Charles V. to the King. London, 30 June 1529.
Draft, Lat., pp. 3. *Marginal notes by Throgmorton.*

30 June. Galba, B. IX. 191 b. B. M. 5. Commission to the same; to treat for peace with the ambassadors of Clement VII., Charles V., Francis I., Venice, and other states. London, 30 June 1529, 21 Hen. VIII.
Draft, Lat., pp. 4. *Marginal note by Throgmorton.*

30 June. Galba, B. IX. 196. B. M. 6. Commission to the same; to treat about commercial disputes. London, 30 June 1529.
Draft, Lat., pp. 4. *Marginal notes by Throgmorton.*

5745. TREATY OF CAMBRAY.

Galba, B. IX. 175. B. M. Articulus defensionis et auxilii, inter prædictos principes. Cameraci, anno 1529.

30 June. **5746.** [CARDINAL WOLSEY.]

R. O. Presents given to my Lord's Grace from 21 May to 30 June.

By my lord Aldelleye: 4 kids, 6 herons, 6 shovellers, 6 gulls, 2 wild geese, 4 pheasants. By Master Aldelleye: 2 salmons, 3 mullets, 3 bass. The abbot of Glastonbury: 4 beeves, 40 muttons. The abbot of Melton: 2 beeves, 20 muttons. The prior of Christchurch: 1 beef, 16 muttons, 4 salmons, 2 pikes, 19 lobsters. The prior of Bendham: 1 beef, 4 cygnets, 6 gulls. The abbess of Shaftesbury: 2 beeves, 20 muttons. Sir Giles Strangwies: a great horse, a peacock, 40 rabbits, 6 herons, 6 partridges, 2 pheasants. Sir John Horsesaye: 2 beeves, 6 herons, 2 pheasants, 2 doz. quails. Sir Thos. Trenchard: 6 herons, 6 shovellers, 6 cygnets. Sir John Rogers: 4 pheasants, 2 beeves, 6 gulls. Sir Thos. Moore: 1 beef. Sir Edw. Willoughby: 15 herons, 5 shovellers. Sir Wm. Woodall: 1 beef, 10 muttons. Master Abery: 1 beef, 10 muttons, 3 herons, 3 shovellers, 2 pikes, 1 salmon. Master Arundel: 2 beeves, a nag, with saddle, bridle, and harness. Master Lyne: 1 beef. Master Baskett: 1 beef. Mr. Cranerde: 6 cygnets. Master Lentte: 2 veals, 2 lambs, 2 qrs. oats. Master Byngham: 2 beeves, 2 doz. pigeons. Master Phillips: 2 kids, 1 peacock, 1 peahen, 1 moor hen, 1 "varnakell," 18 rabbits. Master Asheley: 1 beef. The mayor of Salisbury: 2 beeves, 20 muttons. The merchants of Poole: 1 ton of white wine of Angell. The comptroller of Poole: 1 barrel of salad oil, 8 congers. The customer of Poole: 1 hogshead of claret. Master Worsley, searcher of Poole: 7 cygnets, 12 capons, 12 geese, 12 chickens, 2 gulls. The town of Wareham: 1 hogshead wine. The vicar of Caneforde: 2 lambs, 4 capons, 2 geese.
Pp. 3.

5747. FRANCIS I. to WOLSEY.

Cal. E. II. 8. B. M. "Retournant pu . . . . . cousin le duc de Suffort et Mons. le tresorier Fitzwillem . . . . . avoir icy debatu toutes choses."

Doubts not that they are satisfied, as Wolsey will hear from them. Desires him to continue to act as he has done in the management of affairs. Trusts principally in him. *Signed.*
Fr., p. 1, *mutilated.* *Add.:* Mons. le Cardinal, mon bon amy.

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5748. Grants in June 1529.

June.

Grants.

1. George earl of Shrewsbury and Henry earl of Essex. Licence to alienate the manor of Willyngton *alias* Williton, Beds, to Thos. duke of Norfolk, and his wife Elizabeth, and the heirs of their bodies, with remainder to the said Duke and his heirs for ever. Westm., 1 June.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 1.

1. Ric. Hyll, serjeant of the King's cellar. Grant of six tenements in Buklersbury, in the parish of St. Mary of Colchurche, London, called "Charleton's lands," on surrender by John Tregian, of pat. dated Canterbury, 15 Feb. 4 Hen. VIII., granting the above to him and Reginald Wolvedon, deceased. Wyndesore, 1 June 21 Hen. VIII. — P.S. *Writ.*

2. Eliza, wife of James Flemyng, baron of Slane. Pardon of all treasons and conspiracies with Irish rebels. *Del.* Westm., 2 June 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

2. William Kent, haberdasher, of London. Innotescimus of the revocation of a protection granted him on 22 Sept. last, in consideration of his remaining in the King's service, in the suite of Sir Robt. Wyngfeld. Westm., 2 June.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

3. Sir Nicholas Wadham, William Hody, Ric. Chudlegh, Nic. Kyrkham, Thos. Yarde, John Wadham, and Robt. Warner. Pardon for having acquired, without licence, of Edward Bampfeld, deceased, the moiety of the manor of Rampsham, which is held of the King as of the castle of Dovor, by the name of the said Edward's moiety, part, property, or purparty of the manors of Chilfrome, Northampton, Rampsham, and Wraxhall, in trust for fulfilling the will of the said Edward Bampfeld. Westm., 3 June.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

4. *Salop:* Commission to William Chorlton and Robt. Morton to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of Alice Litelton, widow. Westm., 4 June.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 1*d.*

4. Sir Rowland Griffith, clk. To have the pension that the next abbot of Chertesey is bound to give to a clerk at the King's nomination. *Del.* Westm., 4 June 21 Hen. VIII. —S.B. *Endd.:* At Windsor, 2 June, anno 21 Hen. VIII. Conwey.

4. Griffith Rede and Piers Mutton, yeomen ushers of the Chamber. To have the office of "raglership constabulary" of co. Cardigan, South Wales, *vice* James ap Jenkyn. *Del.* Westm., 4 June 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

4. John Fowle, victualler, of Canterbury. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robert Wingfield. *Del.* Westm., 4 June 21 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

5. Ric. Page. To be head trencherman, *vice* Sir David Owen. *Del.* Westm., 5 June 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

5. Henry Norres. Wardship of Dorothy, d. and h. of Gregory Basset. *Del.* Westm., 5 June 21 Hen. VIII. — S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 26.

5. Adam Holande, yeoman of the Guard. To have the fee of the Crown of 6*d.* a day, *vice* Jas. ap Jenkyns. Windsor, 5 June 21 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

6. St. Mary's College of Winchester in Oxford. Constat and exemplification of enrolment, 15 Feb. 10 Hen. VII., being a mortmain licence to the said college to acquire lands to the annual value of 20*l.* Westm., 6 June.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *ms.* 12 *and* 18.

8. Humphrey Swynerton. Lease of the water-mill in the lordship of Elmeley Lovett, parcel of Warwick's lands, Worc., for 21 years, at 46*s.* 8*d.* annual rent, and 20*d.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 8 June 21 Hen. VIII. —S.B.

9. Thomas Tynbery. Lease of certain lands called Halamcourte and Estbaggelake, in the lordship of Langbridy, Dors., at stated annual rents. *Del.* Westm., 9 June 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

9. Robt. Hogan, head cook for the mouth. Grant of the tenements in Westminster Palace called Paradise and Hell, with lands and tenements, held by William Fryes; a house called Purgatory, held by Nicholas ———; a house called Potans house, under the Exchequer; the tower and house called le Grenelettes, held by John Catesby; and custody of the said Palace, lately held by James ap Jenkyn, deceased, and William Butler, serjeant-at-arms, in survivorship. *Del.* Westm., 9 June 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

10. John Long, soldier of Calais. To be collector and receiver, in reversion, of the customs and tolls, &c. on Newenhambrigge, *vice* Ambrose Bradman. *Del.* Westm., 10 June 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Fr., m.* 7.

12. John Hyggons, late of South Pederton, Somers., yeoman. Pardon for having, in conjunction with David Mathewe, late of Ilbruers, and Henry Thomas of Lamport, Somers., stolen a horse, &c. from the close of Philip Fulford at Schepton Malet, Somers. *Del.* Westm., 12 June 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

12. Thos. Marshalle, shepherd, of Swaffham, Bulbek, Kent. Pardon for having killed Henry Chambre in self-defence. Westm., 12 June.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9.

12. Gaol Delivery. Gloucester gaol. John Semes, mayor, Sir John Porte, Wm. Rudhale, Sir Edmund Tame, William Jordayn, William Hasard, John Rastell, Thos. Osborne, and Thos. Lane. Westm., 12 June.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9*d.*

12. William Claye, goldsmith, late of London. Pardon for offences committed before

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5 April 20 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 June 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

14. James Roos *alias* Rose, shoemaker, of Tame, Oxon, native of Gelderland. Denization. Westm., 12 June.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9.

15. John Gostwik of London. Licence to enfeoff Ric., Wm., John, and Thos. Gresham, and Thos. Baker, of the manor of Towyslond, Hunts, to hold to the said Richard Gresham, &c., and their heirs, to the use of the said Richard and his assigns. Westm., 15 June.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9.

18. Sir Robt. Brudenell, Sir Anth. Fitzherbert, and Thos. Englefeld. Commission to examine as justices, in presence of the mayor and aldermen of London, at the Guildhall, a judgment given in a suit before the said mayor and aldermen in the Guildhall, between John Colyns, grocer, of London, and Alex. Settina, concerning a debt of 100 marks. Westm., 18 June. — *Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 18*d.*

20. John Cokke of Hoddesdon, Herts. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. *Del.* Westm. 20 June 21 Hen.VIII. —P.S.

21. Wm. Bell. To be in the retinue under the treasurer of Berwick, with 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* a year. Greenwich, 17 June 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 21 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

21. Roger Hacheman. To have the ferry, fishery and boats at Shillingford ferry, between cos. Oxon and Berks, parcel of the honor of Walingford, held at the annual rent of 33*s.* 4*d.* by Wm. Yong. *Del.* Westm., 21 June 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

22. Wm. Dawe, yeoman of the Guard. To be bailiff errant of Cornwall *vice* Thos. Carmynow. Windsor, 2 June 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 June.—P.S.——*Enrolled* 2 June.—*Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

22. Sir Thos. Clyfford. To be deputy under-warden and under-captain of Henry duke of Richmond and Somerset, aud earl of Nottingham, lately made governor and captain of Berwick-upon-Tweed. *Del.* Westm., 22 June 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

23. Wm. Skelle of London, goldsmith. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. *Del.* Westm., 23 June 21 Hen.VIII.—P.S.

23. Nich. Ford, fishmonger, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. *Teste* 23 June 21 Hen. VIII. —S.B.

28. Gaol Delivery, Northampton (town). Wm. Bonde, mayor, Sir Robt. Brudenell, Sir Wm. Gascoign, Edw. Montague, Thos. Brokesby, Robt. Chauntrell, John Pervyn and John Saxeby. Westm., 28 June.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9*d.*

28. John Boman, yeoman, of Caldecot, Rutland. Pardon for having killed Ric. Clerk, of Caldecot, in self-defence. Westm., 28 June.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

28. Wm. Dean. To be purveyor of materials for the repair and buildings of the manors of Hampton Court and Richmond, and all other royal manors in England. Greenwich, 20 June 21 Hen. VIII. *Teste* 28 June 21 Hen.VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 11.

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1 July.
R. O.

5749. CARDINAL WOLSEY.

"Hereafter followeth by protestation articles against the cardinal of York, shewed by me Thomas Darcy, only for to discharge my oath and most bounden duty to God and the King, and of no malice.

"First, all articles togedirst that touches God and his Church, and his livings and acts against the same.

"Second, all that toucheth the King's estate, honor, prerogatives, his dignity royal and imperial, and crown, and against his laws.

"Item, finally in order, lack of justice, and using himself, by his authorities of chancellor, faculties legantine and cardinal; what wrongs, exactions, extortions he hath used, and thereby impoverished all the nobles and others the King's servants,—yea, and all the whole commonalty,—like for many years to be irrecoverable, &c.

"Item, memorandum how he had wrongfully the goods of bishop Smyth of Lincoln, the archbishop Savayge, Baynbryge, Dalbe, Tunnes (Toneys), the bishops of Durham and Winchester, with many others.

"Item, all his authorities, legantine and others, purchased of the Pope, and all authorities and offices and grants that he hath of the King's grace by any grant sued (?) and debated, and then upon special commissions and instructions sent unto the King's most trusty servants in every shire, and he . . . hes (?), and the Cardinal's [servan]ts straitly examined of all his unlawful acts.

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* "Matters by protestation to charge him with to answer sewyngly (severally ?) and articlerly, and to count upon.

"Inprimis, how at his entry the King's grace had amity and peace with all Christian princes, and most specially with the Pope's Holiness.

"Item, how then every Christian prince obeyed the Pope's Holiness, and had good praise and amity every of them with others.

"Item, what mighty treasure the King's grace had at his entry, that was left unto him by the King of famous memory, appears of record.

"First, in ready coins of gold and in silver.

"Item, in plate and bullion of gold and silver.*

"If that truth and justice shall have place, and no concealment to be used :—

"First, he is richest of all treasures; and all his books, bills, letters, &c., of receipts and issuings, to be surely sequestered, all at one day, hour, and time, by sure folks.†

"Item, the office of chancellor and all other legacies and faculties semblable to be, that it may be openly known.

"Item, his disciples in every place. Md.

"Item, then commissions well largely and straitly to be devised and sent forth into every shire for matters, and then none shall lack that be over marvellous and odible for any good man to hear,—yea, and that in great and sundry specialties.

"Item, his disciples in the privy chamber, and others, spiritual and temporal, of his promotions not sure (?) ne dig[ne] to remove, and officers semblable in offices of the realm and upon the frontiers that hath charges of keys and principal streets of the . . . . . .

"Item, in the lieu of civilians indigne, divines . . . . . ., and that done it is thought great, and urgent, and ungracious matters shall be found against him.

"Item, good it is in my poor opinion, that after he sequestered in sure and [secret, trusty‡] keeping, that the King's grace, by good and secret espials in Rome, France, and in all outward strange countries, inquire well of all his affairs there, and also by strait examination of himself to be taken, and by searching of his books and examining his council.

"[Item, he and other bishops have counselled together often secretly; London, Carlisle, Bath, &c.‡]

"Sayings that he intends for his remedy, &c., by reports :—

"First, to divide nobles, not doubting thereof.

"Item, yet and if that fail, corruption in them, or the King shall not . . .

"Item, else at the French king to sue for him.

"Item, failing thereof, at the Emperor or his councillors by corruption.

"Item, if that fail, the Pope to send for him as straitly as may be to appear there, and there he to remain, as he purposes.

"Finally, if all fail, he clearly doubts not, as he and his affirms, but that he hath the guilt and under § to discharge him of all this light flea biting or flies stingings, and yet to so handle all matters that he shall reign still in more authority than ever he did, and all to quake and repent that hath meddled against him.

"Item, at the Parliament they intend to be strong, and all fail.

"Herefor, finally and peremptorily, no manner person, spiritual nor temporal, being of any reputation, dare meddle to make bills or [ot]herwise, but all stops whilst that he is [in an]y authority, being clearly in despair where . . . . . ll reports they were in great comfort of justice at the King's grace['s hands].

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* All struck out between these two asterisks. † In the margin, "Last."
‡ Struck out. § Sic. *Qu.*, "gift and understanding."

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"Memorandum, at his entry to authority, this realm [was] at peace, first with the Pope and all Christian realms, as appears by matter of record of perpetual peaces, leagues and amities.

"Item, the King's treasures then of the late King of famous memory his father assembled in great substance, remaining in bullion, plate, jewels, and coins, both of gold and silver, besides great and many specialities of recognizances, obligations, as also appears by matter of record.

"Item, the King's own revenues and treasure assembled to count upon.

"Item, the King's laws in every court of record within this realm, then and before, by the ministers of the same having due and lawful course, and so used, as appears by matters of record sithence the King's reign to his entry to authority.

"Item, the King's estate and port royal in his honorable household, and otherwise, then by his honorable council and officers in good point, stay, and order, with due obeisances, goodly services, and justice, well and profitably looked upon after the best precedents that had been afore, to his entry, and as appears by matter of record.

"Item, the King's coins then having the old course and rate as it had in above a hundred years before and unminished: or matter seen why or wherefore any such minishing or necessity was or should be.

"Item, all concourse of merchandize and other commodities of and for this realm, with returns then used, as well by strangers, the King's subjects, at marts, u[ther] shippings and otherwise, without exactions, bribes, or unlawful acts, as appear[s by record].

"Item, then and above a hundred years before the best prelate within this realm ever content with one dignity of a bishopric only, [or one archbishopric, as appears of record*.]

"Item, then the Lents, Embers, vigils, and other days accustomed of Commandments and Councils of Holy Church, justly observed and kept, and the offenders, if any, were duly punished, as appears of record in every diocese to, &c.

"Then no abbeys ne houses of religion by untrue surmises pulled ne suffered to be pulled down, ne noble founders' wills broken, ne Magna Carta, but royally maintained, and divine services upholden.

"Item, then, ne in many winters before, no sanctuaries violated ne broken, as appears by matter of record, ne religious houses exempt and close houses.

"Item, then ne in all the King's time afore neither taxes, dymes, subsidies, 15ths, prests, loans, nor benevolences raised of any of the King's subjects, spiritual nor temporal, but general pardons, with many other most natural, gracious, and bounteous, high and noble acts and gifts given and done by the King to his nobles, servants, and subjects, as appears by, &c. to &c.

"Item, none of the religious houses, abbeys, charterhouses, nunneries close ne [o]pen, friars of all orders, and others that were [exe]mpt under bulls, ne in many winters disobeyed ne visit, as appears [in] divers cardinals' days by matter of record.

"Item, then the Pope's Holiness had none entry, gift, ne use of any spiritual promotion or dignity, ne levying of any money within this realm contrary to the King's prerogative royal, the writ called *ne exeas regnum*, and others for such purposes provided and granted, as also appears of record.

"Item, then the King's grace was yearly and from year to year particularly and generally justly answered of all his revenues, subsidies, customs, wards, royalties, escheats, fines, mines, wood sales, with all other casualties and profits, and yearly after the audits determined the same treasures of yearly revenues, &c. delivered with the books into the Exchequer and treasuries

* Scored through.

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and to the Tower, and the same from time to time issued by warrants and others sufficient discharges, after the old laudable custom and use in long time afore in the King's noble progenitor's days, as appears by matter of record afore every treasurer and courts of record, to that he entered, &c.

"Item, then in every court of record, Star chamber, and afore the president council of nobles daily attending about the King's grace, according to his most dread and virtuous commandments, the very true course of the common law and justice, without briberies or colors, had place, and the King's true and good servants and subjects cherished and rewarded, and offenders and subverters of laws and bribers punished.

"Item, then every man spiritual and temporal, and cities and towns, disposed and gave their own promotions and offices without [any] interruption of legacy, faculties *a latere* . . . . ., as appears of record.

"Item, then and in many winters afore, after the death of every person of what degree so he or they were of, it was of course of laudable custom to pay only for probate of any will 2*s.* 6*d.* to, &c.

"Item, then none of high or low degree durst enter into the danger of the *præmunire*, but that for example of others they were punished accordingly, and also by him, and how many times he hath therein offended in giving of promotions by prevention and faculties, and others that he gave them to accordingly, may appear by matter of record.

"Item, that by his great orgueil and pride, and insatiate covetousness to maintain the same, he hath by color of his powers of Cardinal legate *a latere*, and faculties both of spiritual and temporal, assemble[d] marvellous great and mighty sums of money, which, by commission and by good and diligent examination within every shire and parish, may appear by sufficient matter of record.

"Item, by semblable means may all his great exactions, briberies, and others his extorts and unlawful wrongs be known.

"Item, semblably of the first C . . . . s of the . . . . . of cardinal Baynbrygg, of the dean of Polls,* . . . . . aynbryg of the Court, Mores, the treasurer of Y[ork], Doctor Burbanke, &c. the [ce]rtainty may be known.

"Item, by semblable means may surely be known what he hath had by cha . . . . of all bishops, abbots, priors, and other prelates, deans, and others of dignities or worships, for promotions spiritually since his entry.

"Item, semblably for the gifts of offices and promotions temporal may be known.

"Item, what yearly his rightful receipts hath been, and what yearly his expences hath been, here and beyond sea, which by sudden search appears by his books.

"Item, the abomination, ruin, and seditious and erroneous violations used at the pulling down of the abbeys by his commissioners and servants at his commandments, and the great robberies and spoilings, may be weighed to the worst act or article of Martyn Lutter's, as will be proved if good trials and examinations be had thereof, which is over odible and spiteful against the law of Christ to be written in this bill, and never punishment of any person so offending as yet, but rewarded with his high gifts and promotion.

"Item, the orgueillous visitation and search that he rigorously and suddenly made at the Syon, contrary to their grants of sy[ndry] Popes granted at the suit and costs of the King's [grace's] progenitors, Harry the V . . . . . and how the prior . . . . . thought that the secrets and . . . . . was so violated and bro[ught] . . . . . to live, but so doing . . . . . .

"Item, all the coins of gold, silver, bullion, plate, jewels, stores, implements, debts, and dues, as well by specialties as otherwise, and bells, books, leads, and all other metals and anowrnements, beddings, apparels, and

* Dr. Pace.

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trashments, with standards of household and apparels, as well of them as of their houses and monasteries pulled down, all converted clearly to his use, which as before may be tried and proved by matter of records of every house particular, in great sums and substances.

" Item, the surmises why the said houses were pulled down made to the Pope for the authorities, and what the grants extend unto, and how the same was used, and what is written thereof *in mundum*,—first, for the Pope's grant; second, for the monks discharges so put out, and for the founders; and last, for stablishing of those lands to Oxfurth College, and the grants thereof particular, is to be seen and perused by, &c.

" Item, what mighty sums hath been levied of other houses of religion, some for respect, some for dread to be pulled down, and by others his feigned visitations, under colour of virtuous reformations, which may appear if g . . . . . was to vice and ruin, and their deformation . . . . . [o]thers belonging to him . . . . . the sudden increase of . . . . . s to be remembered and the . . . . . es, what they were afore and is now.

" Item, of his son Wyntter and his fellows, the five open pedigrees and acts, and of the great treasures and charges, yea, and promotions and ordinary yearly rents by him, under colors thereof, yearly assembled and gathered, and convert to his own use thereby, may be certainly known by due inquiry, &c.

" Item, his high colorable and presumptuous summoning and using of the King, advancing his prodigal pawme (palm), without regarding his duty of allegiance, or the ordering him in any point like a subject or discreet man in all his conducts and processes, but as though it had been to the most simple personage within the realm.

" Item, calling divers earls and barons of his band his subjects and servants, &c.

" Item, memorandum, Trubilffeld's wrongs and death.

" Item, of more that had like grants of abbeys pulled [down].

" * Item, the cardinal Bainbryge, Pace, Burbank, treasurer, &c.

" Item, the feigned matter and great sums of money lost, &c., versus Fernandos (?)

" Item, the recognizances taken in the North without any causes, contrary to the law; whether that or any of the premises be a subversion of the law or not.

" Item, to learn what causes and matter is within the *præmunire* statutes and subversion of laws, and for that to see who hath suffered, and when and how therefore, after precedents and records in times past.

" Item, injunctions that . . . . . should not sue to the King ne to follow . . . . . laws, ne proceed to take such sums as . . . . . law.

" Item, taking the King . . . . . of household and u[ther] . . . . . .

" Memorandum, to declare the ways without displeasure, for the King's honor and great profits, the ready ways how to bring him to make a clear and plain accounts for all his time yearly, every year by itself.

" Item, my conceit to search and sequester him and all his books and riches in one hour, and then much matters yet unknown shall come forth surely, both concerning his affairs with the Popes, Emperor, and French king, and other princes, &c. without the realm, and others within the realm.

" Item, his secret disciples, promoters, pollers, and executors of his ungracious acts to be semblably used the same day and hour.

" Item, the ruin and decays of all spiritual and temporal and commons,

* This item is struck out.

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and fortresses, holds, and ships, and all estates of this realm that served the King's grace, or others, but only such as served him and attended him, and how such be enriched, and sundry of them great purchasers of lands, so that 6 or 8 of them hath more increased than 20 lords in his time.

"Item, to approve his great pride, insatiate covetous mind, with daily increasy[ng] and unnatural, unkind, yea, ... towards the King's grace wh[ich] took [him into his] favor, gave him two bishoprics . . . . . [Cardin]al legate *a latere*, and to use . . . . . [St. A]lbons and the lands of all abbeys . . . . . of Chancellor, with fees, &c., yet he not . . . . . asked lands, wards, his table, fees, &c.

"Memorandum, in briefs for the Parliament.

"Item, to examine of the [greate]st divines what rules and ordinary t . . . . . by their learning . . . . . divine all and every the bishops be bounden unto.

"Item, the same divines to show and declare by several examinations, apart and together, the very true chapters in their principal books of authority, that service be for justifying of the said purposes, and against pluralities, trialities, and totcotts, &c.

"Item, against that they should meddle with, ne minister, ne occupy any temporal offices, ne examinations and judgments, ne sentences of and for life and death, ne determinations of wars.

"Item, of their untrue surmises to the Pope's Holiness for obtaining of dispensations for serving and using of the said unlawful purposes.

"In all the premises, the King's grace with his nobles, secretly and apart, first to use the said examinations and trials as they will here and at Rome abide by, at and of the most famous doctors, divines, and after all lawyers, as well of either sorts that hath promotion as that have none, and also of them that be religious . . . . . lest such as the . . . . . by good deliberation . . . . . master and sovereign Lord . . . . . so that special good . . . . . .

"Memorandum, Parliament matters.

"First, to approbate and affirm [that] every captain slain in the [King's] service by sea or land h . . . . . for that one time next suing to . . . . . wards but freely to enter to [his] lands, and semblable to his . . . . .

"Item, that no nobleman ne gentleman be outlawed ne condemned without speciality of his band, sealed and signed, and delivered for his deed, afore witness therein.

"Item, that from Trent north ordinary, the terms and laws to be kept as is at Westminster; treasons, &c., urgent causes, reserved.

"Item, that both offenders in the spiritual law against God in the decrees openly, and open and presumptuous offenders against the King's laws for usury, simony, &c., for false clothes making, and in many other crimes, be more roundly, from time to time, sore punished, or else, &c.

"Item, that all knights' fees, baronies, and earldoms be viewed, and how many of them be in spiritual hands.

"Item, to see what of all temporal lands the spiritual men hath, and by what titles, and for what purposes, and whether it be followed or no.

"Item, better, and much more merit, honor, and virtue is it for the King's grace to proceed and determine all reformations of spiritual and temporal within this [his] realm, so that h[e] . . . . . .

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"Item, that never legate nor cardinal be in England.

"Item, their legacies and faculties clearly annulled and made frustrate.

"Item, that sure search and inquiries be made what hath been levied thereby.

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"Item, that it be tried whether the putting down of all the abbeys be lawful and good, or no, for great things hang thereupon.

"Item, for that, &c., good it is to see all the surmises of the Cardinal for obtaining of his authorities and totcotts, both for him and others, and to see how they stand with the decrees and laws divine.

"Item, some straiter laws for punishments of usurers, pollers, extortioners, and bribers, and colorers of authorities, or otherwise.

"Item, exactions, and such used by spiritual men.

"Item, for probations of testaments after the old rate.

"Item, against letters of ministration, and what great injuries and wrongs daily grows of these, besides deth is woill broken therby.

"Item, some provisions for repairings and fortifying of the marches and frontiers.

"Item, for services in the wars, and maintaining the King's . . . . . of the Church and religion . . . . . the parishyngs (parishioners ?), frank archers, &c., in ordinary. Peaces and wars, [bo]th a surety and a commonwealth with taxes, &c.

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"First, his offer and . . . . . [an]empst my bill of r'st. (receipt) of M. . . . . li.

"Item, how colorably and wrongfully he voided me from the offices of captain of Berwick and warden of the Marches, a yearly living of, by year, 1,000*l.*

"Item, voiding me upon his promise to recompense me of the offices of treasurer, chamberlain, and customer of Berwick, which, by his award and others of the Council, I bought of Sir Rich. Cholmley, knt., and gave to him ready money 40 marks for his good will, and worth yearly to me by year to use by my deputy, 50*l.*, and 20 in wages.

"Item, that most and worst is by his unjust [and] subversion of the laws, binding me, amongst many others, without any manner of ground, cause, or matter, yet to this done by me contrary to the law or my sovereign Lord's commandment, band, ... recognizance of good abearing . . . . . .

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Pp. 15, *in Darcy's hand. Headed:* "Jhs. 1 July 1529. Jhs. P. F. 5."

R. O. 2. Another paper.

"Item, to sew (show) and perfect his own righteous receipts yearly, and to all his charges at Rome for bulls, faculties, and other his charges there.

"Item, in all concerning his person, household, apparels, port, ordinary and extraordinary.

"Item, of all his buildings and other sumptuosities.

"Item, to show his bulls and grants of faculties and others, and the labors and suggestions whereupon the same was granted, as well of all his dignities of bishops, abbacies, cardinal, as legate, by several Pope's grants, and whether the same stand with the laws, and special of this realm, and with the King's prerogatives and prescription belonging to this his empire, and with the writ called *ne exeas regnum.*

"Item, what entry he hath given the Church of Rome against the gift of all dignities and promotions.

"Item, herein he, his factors, councillors, and his and their books, suddenly to be searched and examined apart, ever he first sequestered, afore anything be done."

P. 1. *In Darcy's hand.*

R. O. 3. Proclamation setting forth that as the King is informed many great wrongs have been done against the Church and the King's prerogative, with great corruptions and bribes by the archbishop of York, cardinal, all who have sustained such injuries in one law or the other, may appeal, within

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ten days after the publication of this proclamation, to the King's commissioners A. B. and D. C.

Corrected draft, in Darcy's hand, p. 1, large paper.

ii. Another proclamation (written on the back of the preceding), ascribing "the great dekeye and enorme ruine, scasenesse and povertie of this our realme," to the neglect of God's service and neighbourly charity. The King, therefore, commands all his subjects, "namely, beneficed, and men of lands," to be resident where their best patrimony lies, under such penalties as the Council may devise, except the council of the nobles and their officers. Moreover, as "T. C. and A. of Y., P. of E., and C. of the same," (Thomas, card. and abp. of York, primate of England, and chancellor,) whom the King put in high trust to administer the laws spiritual and temporal, has "negligently misordered and subverted the same, and sore impoverished our said subjects and realm, through his inordinate pompe, vainglory, and rather ipocrasye," all who have matter of complaint against him may deliver bills thereof to A. B. and C. in all convenient haste.

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R. O. "Here followeth a brief remembrance how the affairs of this realm have been conducted since it pleased our Sovereign to make my lord Cardinal's grace his chiefest and only councillor :—

"We have begun to put in use the grant of resumption.

"We have begun to execute the statute of enclosing.

"We have begun to punish forfaictours against the statute of apparel.

"We have begun an ordinance for the reforming of our diet.

"We have begun to send commandment to all ordinaries that they should give the lesser orders and subdeacon all at once.

"We have begun to reform the abusions of the temporal law, especially concerning calumniation and recoveries.

"We have begun to reform the abusions of the Exchequer, and to make temporal lawyers sheriffs of the shire.

"We have begun to cause London and all the realm to keep an ordinary watch.

"We have begun to diminish the charges of the King's household.

"We have begun to put in execution new constitutions legantine for the reformation of the whole clergy.

"We have begun to add new additions to the rule of St. Benet, for the reformation of the Black Monks' religion.

"We have begun to reform the residue of the religious of England.

"We have begun to remove the term from London to Oxford.

"These things hath my lord Cardinal begun within the realm, by reason of the great authority granted unto him of our Sovereign, and his great faculties obtained from Rome.

"And in his own private name he hath begun, or openly affirmed he would begin, and already made tokens and preparations thereunto, these things following :—

"He hath begun to found new common lectures at Oxford in all manner faculties.

"He hath openly affirmed that he would there build a college for the said readers to dwell in.

"He hath attempted to be President of the Garter.

"He hath said he would build a college at Ipswich, and hath already caused the ground to be appointed out, and hath in hands the lands of certain religious houses, which he obtained for the renting of his said college.

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"These things also remain either broken off, or else nothing set forward; and now show what we have begun in the parts subject and adjacent to the realm by virtue of the said authority :—

"We have begun to reduce Ireland to live under a better subjection unto our Sovereign.

"We have begun to nourish a faction in Scotland.

"We have begun to reform the town of Calais.

"Now resteth what we have begun with outward nations, and out of the realm :—

"We have begun to build a castle at Tournay.

"We have begun to take hostagers for the surety of the performance of such covenants as was communed of between us and France when we delivered Tournay.

"We have begun to interrupt the French king's purpose when he went to recover Milan.

"We have begun a general league and conditions of peace between the Pope, the Emperor elect, the French king, and us.

"We have begun to enter into a particular league between us and France, and to appoint a marriage between us.

"We have begun to make an atonement between the Emperor and the French king.

"Other things there be that we have attempted, which, for because they were not openly published, I pass them under silence, ascribing also the default that these things took not effect unto the nations we dealed with, and not to us.

"Of those weighty matters, being so expedient for the Commonwealth, hath my lord Cardinal had the only handling, of which none of them all hath taken effect.

"Followeth what acts have been done to the honor of the realm since my said lord Cardinal's being in authority :—

"We have taken the duke of Longueville prisoner.

"We have won Tirouan and Tournay.

"We have killed the king of Scots, and almost all his nobles, spiritual and temporal.

"We have taken David Faulconnar and divers other prisoners on the sea.

"We have gotten Navarre for the king of Arragon, though we intended another.

"We have Ireland in a better case than ever had prince afore our days.

"We have had the emperor Maximilian with our Prince in his wars and wages.

"We have had the Emperor now elect in London, received him with great triumph, and given him gifts and presents, to our Prince's honor and the realm's.

"We have shewed the magnificence of our Prince at Gwynes, for the meeting between the French king and us, as highly as ever did any of his predecessors that can be read of.

"We had both communication with the Emperor elect and the French king when our Prince was at Calais." *Signed:* Jo. Palsgrave.

Pp. 2. *Endd.:* "This leeff of papir was ffurste founde at the furste serche."

II. "A brief remembrance how our Commonwealth hath been ordered since my lord Cardinal had the chief authority :—

"We have begun war with France for the defence of the Church; and, for want of good conduct, notwithstanding the great substance of bullion and money coined left in treasure by king Henry the VIIth, we were constrained

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to give our Prince's sister to him that we moved war against, to make an honorable peace.

"We have begun to set up a 100 spears, and to give them 40*d.* a day.

"We have begun to break the order of the Exchequer, without whose authority sometime there was no manner treasure delivered to be dispent for preparation of war, and by sending of our signet or commandment to the Tower for any* manner sums we would; and whereas the Exchequer was wont, after war finished, to make process against all such as were charged with any sums of the King's treasure to call them to their account, we neither have nor can give account thereof, save only that there came out of the Tower, employed by our disposition, 1,300,000*l.*

"We have begun to put in use the grant of the resumption.

"We have begun to execute the statute of enclosings.

"We have begun to punish forfaictours against the statute of apparel.

"We have begun to redress the abusions of the temporal law, especially concerning calumniations and recoveries.

"We have begun to reform the order of the Chancery, especially concerning the original of our writs.

"We have begun to set up two new courts for the more speedy ridding of suits,—one in the Whitehall, another at the Rolls.

"We have begun to reform the abusion used in the processes made out of the Exchequer, [†and to establish surveyors of the King's revenues, and much of his prerogatives which aforetime were accustomed to be accounted in the Exchequer.]

"We have begun [to] demand old debts pretended of the Steelyard, and to threaten them that we would pull away their liberties.

"We have begun to make learned men sheriffs of the shire.

"We have begun to ordain a watch through all the realm more chargeable than hath been seen aforetime, and such persons as were taken in London or about London to be brought before us in barges to the Star Chamber.

"We have begun to be very strait and sore in punishing of wilful perjury.

"We have begun to reform the abusions of sanctuaries and franchised places, and to take from them and to diminish much of their liberties.

"We have begun to redress the liberties of the city of London, and the abusion used amongst the incorporations of crafts there.

"We have begun to put in execution the writ of *quo warranto* sued against my lord of Norwich.

"We have begun to put in execution the penalty of the statute of retainer by the punishing of Sir Wm. Bulmer.

"We have begun to punish liberal speaking against us by nailing of men's ears, and set up new posts at the Standard in Chepe for that use.

"We have begun a new building at Westminster with the forfeitures against the statute of præmunire.

"We have begun to take up all the great matters in suit in England, to determine between the parties after our discretion, as the matters of Bury and Norwyche, and many such like.

"We have begun to make new constitutions legantine for the reformation of the whole clergy in England, which were for the most [part] prohibitions of such things as we had faculties to dispense with.

"We have begun to command every prelate of the realm to execute our constitutions or ever they were agreed unto by the whole.

"We have begun to put in execution our faculty *ad certam summam* in accepting the abbey of St. Alban's, the bishopric of Bath, besides our archbishopric and the bishopric of Durham.

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* The word "received" is here interlined.

† Struck through to end of sentence.

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"We have begun to set up the Court of our Prerogatives, to the disturbing of all the jurisdictions spiritual in England.

"Convocation of the clergy, and (at ?) which time priests' heads were docked, and their gowns in some dioceses sewed up afore.

"We have begun to make new additions to the rule of St. Benet for the reformation of the Black Monks.

"We have begun to reform all other sorts of religious, as well men as women, in the realm.

"We have begun an ordinance that the lesser orders and subdeacon should be given both at once.

"We have begun to remove the term from London to Oxford.

"We have begun to found new common lectures there in all manner faculties.

"We have begun to reform their statutes and to alter the foundations of their colleges.

"We have begun to found a college in the said university for our readers to dwell in.

"We have begun to attempt to be President of the Garter.

"We have begun to ordain that one manner of grammar should be taught through all the realm.

"We have begun to shew the precedent how one may be *legatus a latere*, and not be sent from Rome, and to have two pole-axes borne after us, and to clothe the clerks of England in silk and velvet, notwithstanding the statute.

"We have begun a college at Ipswich, and obtained the lands of certain religious houses for the renting thereof.

"We have often begun to diminish the charges of the King's household.

"We have begun to rent a lively college of our making with livelode, convenient enough for a prince.

"We have begun to encourage the young gentlewomen of the realm to be our concubines by the well marrying of Besse Blont,* whom we would yet by sleight have married much better than she is, and for that purpose changed her name.

"These things have we begun within the realm, which either we have not finished, or else left as dangerous precedents to the ruffling of the good order of the realm, to such as shall fortune to succeed in like authority; and in Ireland, Calais, and other parts adjacent unto us, we have begun these things following:—

"We have begun to reduce Ireland to a better policy and subjection to us; and while the meddling was dangerous to him that was put in authority, kept him there perforce;† when he was at the point to master it, and do the thing he was sent for, we called him suddenly home again.

"We have begun to nourish a faction in Scotland between [the] duke of Albany and the earl of Angwyshe, which hath cost the realm no small sums of money.

"We have begun to reform the town of Calais, and to make agreement between the merchants of the Staple and the burgesses of the town.

"We have begun to reform the hurtful abusion of exchange making between the staplers and the merchants adventurers, whereby the realm is filled full of trash and made bare of money.

"We have begun to redress Berwick and the marches towards Scotland.

["We have begun to diminish the council at Ludlow, which was set up to keep good order in Wales.‡]

* The mother of the duke of Richmond.

† *i.e.*, the duke of Norfolk.

‡ Struck through in original.

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"Now resteth to shew what we have begun out of the realm, and with outward nations:—

"We have defended the Church against the French king, to our great impoverishing and enriching of his, being our enemy's, subjects.

"We have begun to pull down Tyrowen, which is now stronger than ever it was.

"We have begun to set up a chargeable garrison at Tornay.

"We have begun a sumptuous castle there.

"We have begun to make a bargain with our enemy to sell him his town again, and received hostages for the surety of the payment.

"We have begun to get again Guyen, where we were deluded by the Hyspaniards; and after we had gotten them Navarre, they would yet a' trained us farther to their purpose.

"We have begun to give an Emperor sowlde (pay) to be with us in our wars.

"We have begun to interrupt the French king's purpose when he went to recover Milan, and sent to the emperor Maximilian, by a cardinal [of Sion] that came hither in post, 40,000*l.* to sowlde the Swyses with, against the said French king.

"We have begun a general peace and league between the Pope, the Emperor elect, the French king, and us.

"We have begun to enter in a particular league between us and France, and to intreat of a marriage between their Dolphyn and our daughter and heir.

"We have begun to make an atonement between the French king and the Emperor.

"We have begun to have the Pope's whole power, he being alive, that we might have interdicted the lands of the Emperor or the French king, as our opinion had led us.

"We have begun to attempt to be Pope when the Pope was dead.

"We have begun war with the Scots; and while the lord Steward and my lord of Northumberland were taking of the musters, and appoint[ed] to set forth against the duke of Albany, already entered into the realm, the lord Dakers had with him secret communication, upon which incontinent he returned into Scotland again.

"We have now again begun just war with France, provoked by many notable injuries, but how we have handled them appeareth here before.

"Yet have we brought to end and finished some few things since we were in authority, to the honor of the realm. For we have overthrown the army of the king of Scots, and slain the King and the most part of his nobles spiritual and temporal, when he invaded the realm, the King being absent, contrary to the tenor of the league between us.

"We took David Faulconnar and Andrew a Barton and certain other Scottish pirates on the sea.

"We had Ireland in a better way to be in perfect subjection to us than ever had prince afore these days.

"We have spoiled and burnt Morles, and bidden seven weeks in the realm of France unfoughten with, notwithstanding any provocation we could give in burning and spoiling the countries as we went; but my lord Cardinal was never present nor privy while any of these things were in doing, but if any of these things were in doing in the realm he was beyond sea, and if they were in doing beyond sea he was here within the realm.

"Now shall here follow the prodigal and wasteful expences that hath been used since the said Lord was in authority, which he was either the furtherer or the chief occasion; and the manifest tokens of vainglory in the said Lord:—

"We triumphed at the receiving of his cardinal's hat.

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"We triumphed at the receiving of the legate de Campegio.

"We triumphed at our [en]countering at Calais, to the great impoverishing of the noblemen of England, and prodigal dispending of the King's treasure, as well in the sumptuous building made there only to that use, and not to endure, as in mummeries, banquets, jousts, and tourneys; at which time the said Cardinal had his day of triumphing apart, when the mess was kept in the camp.

"We triumphed at our journey to Walsingham, and the seeing of the town where we were born.

"We triumphed at our going to Calais, when we were the King's lieutenant, in all manner sorts of triumphing;—spiritual record, my lord of Canterbury and the clergy as we passed;—temporal record, the king of Denmark, whom we made it so strange to speak with. But this was right chargeable to the realm, for we had a 100*l.* a day allowed for our diet, and then had we with us all the seals of the realm, so that none act could accordingly pass from the King till we came home again; and though that in these things may sufficiently appear our insatiable vainglory, yet divers other times there be where we have showed it nobly, far above any man of the spiritualty in the realm afore our days,—as when the general league was confirmed by solemn oath at Pollys, where our cloth of estate, araised half a dozen steps from the ground, was directly over against the King's, equal with the ground, and temporal lords served us of combe water and other ceremonies in our Prince's presence; and also at the burning of Luther's books, and in manner ever when we are abroad by land and by water, and also in the preparation we made to ride to Windsor when we trusted to be President of the Garter. Since by these acts appeareth evidently the vanity and pomp that is in us, what have we provoked our Prince, whose sole and only councillor we be, to dispend wastefully at his triumphing at his entering into Lile, and the keeping of his jousts there, when the young prince of the Spaynis and my lady Margaret was there, and the Emperor in his company, and his enterings into Tornay, and especially at the rencontre at Guynes, and at the two times receiving of the Emperor elect, for whose receiving into London the city was charged with a fifteenth.

"We triumphed also when we brought the King his title of *Defensor Fidei*, and departed early from our lodging in Greenwich to the Friars, that we might be received into the court as ambassadors from the Pope when the Pope was dead.

"Now followeth how violent we were and hasty to come into this high authority, and how rigorously we have handled the King's subjects, especially the nobles, if they fell in the danger of the law, and what sore exactions have been levied since he was in his said authority:—

"We took away from my lord of Canterbury the chancellorship, and to take therefor the fee, notwithstanding our great livelode.

"We took from my lord of Winchester the privy seal.

"We found the means to order the signet at our pleasure.

"Of the 42,000 villages there be 15,000 removed to dwell in good towns, and the good towns to make them room; and courtesy, do not only beck or sneak, but in sundry places lie flat upon the ground.

"We have put about the King and Queen such as we listed.

"We have wearied and put away, both out of the King's council and out of his house, all such officers and councillors as would do or say anything freely, and retained such as would never contrary us.

"We have put so inportable charges to the noblemen in the King's name, what in his wars and what in his triumphings, that some have been constrained to mortgage their land to the King, some to sell it outright, some to obtain the King's letters, and to go a-begging in the realm.

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"We have in manner undone all the young gentlemen of England that served us, and sent some beyond sea on embassies, and devised means to linger them there still, and to promote some into Ireland, because we would have them out of the way.

"We have Towered, Fleeted, and put to the walls at Calais a great number of the noblemen of England, and many of them for light causes.

"We have promoted none in manner of the Church to no manner wealth, but such as served about the King, to bring to pass our purposes, and to establish us in our authority, or were of our council, or in such things as an honest man would not vouchsafe to be acquainted with.

"We have hanged, pressed, and banished more men since we were in authority than have suffered death by way of justice in all Christendom beside, and so many as had been able well conducted to have gone through all France, and to have defended the realm from the invading of any Prince Christened.

"We have besides the yearly revenues of a hundred thousand pounds dispent in our first wars with France, 1,300,000*l.* in our last. 40,000*l.* we have gathered of our commons; six-fifteenths of the spiritualty; ten dismes, besides head money; and now the tenth part of all the moveables temporal in the realm, and the fourth part of all the revenues spiritual, which amounteth to nine-fifteenths, and now twenty-eight fifteenths;—a fifteenth is 33,000*l.*;—and yet this sorry Cardinal findeth flatterers enow to tell the King and him that all is well.

"We have begun the old councillors (dismissed) to make new of far lesser experience, and the most part young, under pretext to have them grow in sufficiency to do the King good service hereafterward.

"We have begun to teach the noblemen and gentlemen of England to go afore us in order from our place to Westminster, and kept the same order in the court of our Prince, as a thing looked for of duty, though they had no matters why to be suitors unto us for.

"We have begun to make temporal men confessors to priests; and we, being a legate, which is the highest degree of priests, all next the Pope, have confessed ourself wilfully before all the commons of England." *Signed:* Jo. Palsgrave.

Pp. 10. *Endd.:* These 2½ leaves were found at the second search like as they be marked with A. B. C. by Master Palgrave's own hand.

III. "I perceive by thy letter that thou marvellest greatly what I make musing in a corner this day alone; but I marvel a great part more of thee, that thou art not weary to dance attendance thus long. But for so much as I suppose that it fareth between thee and me as it doth between a player at the chess and a looker on, for he that looketh on seeth many draughts that the player considereth nothing at all, I shall therefore briefly put thee in remembrance what hath been done; how the affairs of this realm have been ordered since it hath pleased our Sovereign to put my lord Cardinal in so high authority; and hereupon show thee my phantasy, according as I have many times done when we have talked together of the world. Unto which things if thou canst make me such an answer as shall content my mind, and persuade me from my purpose, I shall then, without any delay, not only come and keep thee company, but also be sorry that I have here tarried thus long, and that mine own opinion hath thus misled me. And now,* first to call to† thy remembrance what things we have begun to take in hand, and brought none of them to effect within the realm's self by reason of our authorities of the chancellorship of England and chiefest councillorship to our Sovereign Lord.

* Underwritten, apparently as a correction, "But first."
† Underwritten, "represent unto".

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"We began first to move our Prince to call in a general resumption.

"We have begun to put in use the grant of the general resumption.

"We have begun to put in execution the remedies ordained for enc[l]osings (?)

"We have begun to punish forfaictours against the statute of apparel.

"We have begun to make an ordinance to reform our diet.

"We have begun to give commandment that no man should take the lesser orders except he took subdeacon also.

"We have begun to redress the abusions of the temporal law, especially that learned men should sign such books as they presented to the court, and that recoveries should no more be used.

"We have begun to reform the Chancery, concerning the order for the original of writs, and ordained for the clerks hoods of a new manner.

"We have begun to reform the abusions of the Exchequer, and to make learned men sheriffs of the shire.

"We have begun to set up two new courts for the speedy ridding of matters, one in the Whitehall, another in the Rolls.

"We have begun to diminish the charges of the King's household.

"We have begun divers times to cause our people to be numbered or harnessed, viewed, and straitly put in use the statute of retainers.

"Every of these enterprises were great, and the least of them to our commonwealth much expedient, especially the executing of our laws made in our own days; but that they have been begun, and brought to no good end.

"There ensueth thereof a double harm; for the inconvenients not only remain, but also daily increase; and the attempting to reform them, and coming to effect, shall cause men hereafter in manner to despair that they can, and think they can never (?) be brought to pass.

"As for our great punishment of wilful perjury, our continual watching throughout all the realm, our strait search made of misgoverned persons, which brought in bagsful to the Star Chamber at once, and embysyed the noblemen of the realm in the examination of them.

"Our reformation of sanctuaries and franchised places, and the reformation of the Chancery. These acts were convenable to be looked on by one in his authority, but I am sorry that every of these things be worse than they were afore we meddled with them. As for one thing I must needs mislike, that his Grace, being chancellor, should take up in manner all the great matters depending in suit in England, to determine between parties after his discretion, and suffer them still to remain, to the great charges and molesting of the parties, and would suffer no way to take effect that had been driven by other men. And hereof to show thee one example, call to mind the matter between the prior of Norwich and the city.

"Now to show thee what he hath begun by virtue of his authority legantine:—

"We have begun to make new constitutions legantine for the reformation of the whole clergy.

"We have begun to make new additions to the rule of St. Benet.

"We have begun to reform all the other kinds of religion in the realm.

"We have begun to set up a court of our prerogatives.

"As for the commandment we gave that no man should take" * * * * *

Pp 3. *Imperfect. Endd.:* "The last matter found in Palgrave's coffer."

1 July. R. O. Rym. XIV. 301.

5751. THE DIVORCE.

Testimony of the bishops of London, Rochester, Carlisle, Ely, S. Asaph's, Lincoln, Bath, and of the archbishop of Canterbury, that the

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King had consulted them and others, touching his divorce, owing to his scruples of conscience. Dated 1 July 1529. *Signed and sealed by the Bishops.*
Lat. Endd. by Tunstal.

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5752. SANDYS and WINGFIELD to WOLSEY.

Had hoped their accounts for the fortifications here would have been inspected by the duke of Suffolk and the treasurer (Fitzwilliam). Send a short abstract showing the expenditure of the 1,000*l.* brought by Fowler. Calais, 1 July 1529. *Signed.*
Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

ii. Abstract alluded to. *Signed as above.*
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2 July. MS. Bibl. Nat. 3,005, f. 15.

5753. WOLSEY to LOUISE OF SAVOY.

At the wish of Francis, the King had intended to send Wolsey to Cambray, but, owing to the shortness of the time, he sends the bishop of London, Privy Seal, and Sir Thomas More. Begs credence for them. London, 2 July 1529.
Fr., from a transcript.

3 July. Colbert MS. 468 v. 464.

5754. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Begs to have his *congé*, as he wrote on the 30th ult.; otherwise, will be obliged to take it. His credit here is used up, and for his bishopric during the war he will be paid "en gambades." The tun of three *muidz* of wine costs 52 cr., and he requires eight tuns a month for the number who come to drink it. A good capon costs often a crown, and butcher meat (*les grosses chairs*) is twice as dear as at Paris. You may send at my expence, and see if this is not true. If they think he is extravagant, refers to Morette, who is not the worst economist in the world, and who has seen him "jusques au foye†;" but this year in England is out of all reason. London, 3 July.

Has learned nothing since he wrote last. Wolsey is hidden at Hampton Court, because he knew nowhere else to go. He has fortified his gallery and his garden. Only four or five are allowed to see him.
Fr., from a transcript.

4 July. Vesp. C. IV. 331*. B. M.

5755. LEE to WOLSEY.

The priest who took the monitory to the archbishop of Toledo has returned, and says no man can attempt any such thing against him there. The notary to whom the bishop of Worcester sent was banished. Has tried to get one here, but no man will dare. The bishop of Worcester will order the cause to be executed either in Arragon or at Rome, quia non patet ad eum accessus.

Hears nothing yet of the bishop of Palentia. Valladolid, 4 July 1529.
Hol., p. 1. *Cipher, deciphered. Add. Endd.*

Ibid. f. 153.

2. Duplicate of the above letter. Valladolid, 4 July 1529. *Signed.*
Cipher, deciphered. Add.

4 July. Vesp. C. IV. 331. B. M.

5756. LEE to HENRY VIII.

On 12 June wrote in answer to the King's letter of 22 April. A duplicate of the letter was sent by the bishop of Worcester on 17 June, and a triplicate by Pipwell, a London merchant. Has received no letters from

† *Qu.* "au fond"?

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the bishop of Worcester, nor from the Court, since his departure. Hears by letters from the secretary of the Emperor to a friend of his, that the Emperor intends to take ship on the 25th July. Andrew de Auria came to him about 24 June with thirteen galleasses. The two which came for the Pope's nuncio have returned with him. The navy of Malaga was ordered to come to Barcelona on the 18th of last month (May), but on 24 June they were not there.

Badcock writes that a truce of eighteen months has been taken, by the Emperor's secret [consent, between Biscay and Guipuscoa, on the side of Spain, and St. [John] de Luce, Bayonne, and Cape Breton, on the French side; that the earl of Desmond has sent to the Emperor for 4,000 *men, but the Biscayans say they will not go into Ireland, for they know the Irish will deceive the Emperor. The chaplain sent by the Earl is John Aslaby, arch-deacon of Cloynes; he has with him the late mayor's son of Limerick, a banished man. Thinks Gonsalvo Ferdinandes went from Ireland to Flanders, and thence will go to Scotland.* Valladolid, 4 July 1529. *Signed.*

Hol., p 1. *The cipher deciphered by Tuke. Add. Endd.*

5 July. **5757.** JOHN CHEKYNGE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has received Cromwell's letter complaining that "your folks" (his sons) had profited nothing under Chekyng. Some have done as well as if they had many other [teachers]; others not so well as he could have wished, but if they have got little they have lost nothing. Is willing he should take them away, "for if I never have 1*d.* advantage by any scholer, I trust to have a poor living." Has brought up scholars at Cambridge as well as others for his time; six M.A.'s and Fellows of Colleges have been his pupils. Could have seven scholars for one that he has at present, if he could be troubled with them. Cannot endure such taunts after the trouble he has taken. Let the children themselves report how he has treated them. Thinks if it were put to them they would not be glad to leave. Has received by the bearer 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Expected much more, as that amount was spent a month ago, and he has to pay their commons. Wrote also that he had to pay 40*s.* for the feather bed burned by Christopher. If Cromwell will not remunerate him for his labor, he might at least give him something for their chamber and bedding. Has not been in such need these seven years. Cambridge, 5 July.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* Mr. Thomas Cromwell, at London.

ii. Cromwell to C . . . ert.

I marvel greatly that ye have had no better speed for your chaplain, in whose favour I wrote to the chancellor of Winchester. Let me send my sister's daughter unto the gentlewoman your wife, to bring up, for which I well reckon myself much bound to you and her; and, besides the payment of her board, will so content her that I trust she will be well pleased. London, — July.

Draft, in Cromwell's hand, on the dorse of the preceding.

6 July. **5758.** DAVY HAGARD.

R. O. The will of Davy Hagard, of Ware, witnessed by Ric. Wylcoksen, curate, and others.

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8 July. **5759.** CLEMENT VII. to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 186. B. M. Has long foreseen the difficulties of gratifying the King and Wolsey, and cannot do so without incurring manifest danger, and causing a scandal

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to Christendom. Has written more fully to Campeggio on the subject, and Wolsey will know what he said to Benet, who has lately come. Rome, 8 July 1529.

Vellum, Lat., mutilated. Add. Endd.

8 July. **5760.** THE SAME to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Apparently on the same subject, but so mutilated that nothing can be made of it. Rome, 8 July 1529.

9 July. **5761.** W. BENET to [WOLSEY].

Vit.B. XI. 192. B. M. Burnet, Pt. I. Bk. II. No. 29.

The Pope sent for us on the 6th, though we had made great suit for an audience before, on hearing of his recovery, after long communication among ourselves, of which we have written to you in our common letter. I thought it proper to deliver to the Pope the King's and your Grace's letter. When he had read the letter, he said he understood that I had something of moment to impart to him. I told him your faith and observance to him were well known, and that if he complied with the wish of the Cæsarians to advoke the cause, you perceived it would destroy yourself and the Church of England; that you intended to follow this cause justly, and would rather be torn joint from joint than act against your conscience. The Queen could desire no more than justice, and would have it at your and Campeggio's hands as well as at Rome, and I begged him to consider the danger of making the King his enemy.

The Pope answered with tears that he saw the destruction of Christendom, and lamented that he had no means of finding a remedy; that he could not satisfy the King's wish without offending his conscience, and dishonoring the See Apostolic; that the Cæsarians had shown a mandate from the Queen, demanding the advocation of her cause, and he could not deny it. *Seeing we could obtain nothing from the Pope, we consulted with ourselves how it might be delayed until you had concluded the cause in England. We can do no more.*

If you saw the impetuosity of the Imperialists you would marvel. Rome, 9 July.

Hol. Part cipher deciphered.

9 July. **5762.** BENET, CASALE and VANNES to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 194. B. M.

Wrote last on the 29th June. Were obliged to send the letters by Genoa, as the retreat of the Venetians left Lombardy unsafe. The following day James Salviati received letters from Campeggio, dated 4 June, but could not find out their contents, as Salviati said the Cardinal complained of his showing his letters. The bishop of Feltre (*Dominus Feltrensis*) showed them letters from Campeggio, saying that on 1 June the commission was exhibited, and the King and Queen were cited for 18 June, for which the bishops of Lincoln and Bath were appointed nuncios. The cause was being urgently hurried to a conclusion.

See clearly that the Pope will do nothing to offend the Emperor, and is hoping to find an opportunity for settling the matter with the Emperor's assent. Nothing troubles him so much as to hear that his commission is being vigorously acted on. Thought that the best course was to assure his Holiness that nothing was being done, or at least that the sentence would not be given. Told him that the citation was in consequence of the news of his ill health,—lest, if anything happened to him, the jurisdiction of the Legates would cease; and they were certain that the Legates would not proceed to a sentence, nor would the King allow it unless he were first sure of its ratification, and of other things, which the Pope must previously promise. Showed him the scandal and ruin which the advocation would cause, and think that he and Salviati will make the Imperialists acquiesce in these reasons.

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Were summoned to the Pope's presence on the 6th. He told them that the ambassadors of the Emperor and Ferdinand had informed him that they had received letters from lady Margaret, dated 9 June, commending the Queen in the Emperor's name; and they had also received a commission from the Queen to act for her, in which were inserted copies of the bull of dispensation and the new brief, with the addition of a clause declaring that the marriage with prince Arthur had not been consummated, signed by the Queen. They said that the Queen had written to lady Margaret, telling her that she was unwilling to defend her cause, and she knew that great scandal and her own ruin must result, but she would rather suffer death than such an injury to her soul and her honor; she therefore desired the ambassadors to assist her as far as justice would allow. They therefore urged the Pope to grant the advocation, and protested that if he refused they would seek for other remedies. They complained also of the Pope's allowing the cause to be proceeded with in England, although he had promised the contrary. The Pope was in great anxiety, and weeping prayed for death.

Answered that they knew nothing of the process, and believed that nothing was being done, and that no sentence would be given, unless the King had every security for the result. The Legates probably commenced the process on hearing of the Pope's illness, to preserve their jurisdiction in case of his death.

Said that the Imperialists trusted more in their clamours for justice than in justice itself; for they cannot justly complain, as the King has always shown the greatest respect for justice; the Legates have done nothing unfair, and were appointed after much deliberation by the Consistory, and it would be most unjust to impede them; as the King keeps justice and the fear of God before his eyes, he would be more indignant at an advocation than if the Pope proclaimed war against him; the object would not seem to be justice, but the disgrace of the King, who is now left as the sole protector of the Holy See and religion; defection of the English and French churches would undoubtedly ensue, and the Imperialists would think nothing to be more conducive to their tyranny. Said also that the Pope's part was to preserve and protect what he had once granted. The Pope replied that he would willingly do so, but for the present demand of the Queen. Said they did not think that the demad of an unjust and timid woman was to be attended to, as the bull of commission prevented it; and his Holiness should consider to what end he had granted the commission, whether for the cause of justice, or to inflict an injury on the King; and he must also weigh the evils that would ensue from the advocation, and the innumerable benefits that the opposite course would produce. He replied with lamentations that none foresaw everything better than he; but he was so placed between the hammer and the anvil, that though he wished to please the King, the whole storm would fall on him, and, worse, on the Church of Christ; he foresaw the general ruin of Christendom, and especially of this peace, from which he hoped so much; he had no power to apply a remedy; he had hitherto restrained the Imperial ambassadors by telling them that they had no commission from the Queen, but now they exhibit a most ample commission, and say that the cause is being urgently proceeded with; and they press him for an immediate remedy, saying that the Emperor's honor is more concerned than the King's, for it would be the greatest disgrace to him to allow such an insult to his family, and he therefore regards this cause more than all his kingdoms, which he says are only ornaments of fortune, but this cause touches his honor. Answered boldly that if he granted the advocation, he would act contrary to the commission and to his promises. He said he wished to do much more than he had promised, but it was impossible that he could refuse the signatura, especially to the Emperor, by whose power he is so surrounded that the Emperor can do what he pleases with all he has.

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After innumerable discussions, he concluded that he would postpone the advocation for a few days, and ask to see the Queen's commission, which he had not yet read, and he then might devise reasons for deferring it. Seeing that they now can only serve the King by postponing the advocation, deliberated what is best to be done to gain time for the Legates to do something. Concluded to advise the Pope first to write to the King, who, they thought, would answer in a just and reasonable manner; he could meanwhile show the Imperialists the evils which would ensue from this course, and he knew that the final decision of the sentence could not be pronounced.

He accordingly desired to send a courier with great haste to the King and Campeggio, which he thought would prevent matters going further than he hoped, or at least he would know for certain what was being done, and not unknowingly cause these evils. Sent Gregory Casale to his Holiness, who approved of this, but feared the Imperialists would be too importunate and vehement. He therefore sent Salviati to ask them not to press for the advocation until the Pope had heard from the King. Both Salviati and the Pope show great sincerity and affection to the King, and spare no labour in serving him. He could, however, obtain nothing from the ambassadors, but they vehemently cried out for justice, and would hear of no delay. Sir Gregory went alone to the Pope, and told him that it was not his duty to consider what the Imperialists wished, but what was right; and he ought not to grant whatever they asked, and refuse even the most just requests of the King. Today the Imperialist and Hungarian ambassadors most urgently begged the Pope to grant the advocation next Saturday; which the Pope resisted, and asked them to leave the matter to him, as he would find a better way than the one they sought. They become daily more obstinate, and say that it will be much better for the King to complain of the administration of justice by the Pope than that the Emperor should receive injustice for justice.

On the departure of the ambassadors Sir Gregory again went to his Holiness, whom he found in great consternation. After much conversation he determined to send a courier to the King, and to endeavour to entertain the Imperialists until his return; which they hope he will do.

The Pope writes fully of these things to the King and Campeggio, and he requests a letter in the King's hand, promising to proceed no further at present.

Received this morning letters from the King, dated London, 23 June. In consequence of them told the Pope of the citation of the King and Queen, and her refusal to appear, and her protestation; that a month was granted to the Queen to answer, and that she placed all her hopes in the help of the Imperialists and their influence with the Pope. The King therefore desired the Pope to grant nothing at their request to his prejudice. Gave no further particulars, as these letters did not come by the ordinary way, and neither Salviati nor the bishop of Feltre received any. There was a packet for them with the King's letters, but the ambassadors will not deliver them unless they think it expedient.

Salviati said to Sir Gregory that there was no need to deceive him about the process, as Campeggio had written all the actions and mind of the King.

Hope, however, that even if the Imperialists cannot be prevented from producing the petition for advocation at the next signatura, by the goodness of the Pope and the help of the cardinal of Ancona it will be postponed for a few days.

The King's cause is now at this point. The Pope cannot refuse the request of the Imperialists, and all the auditors and referendarii tell him that he cannot in justice refuse the advocation. Can therefore do nothing but put it off as long as possible, and will try to do so until they hear from England. The King must therefore decide whether it would be better to

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suspend the process at the King's request, or to proceed to sentence before the advocation.

Rome, 9 July 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 12. *Part cipher, deciphered. Address pasted on.*

9 July. **5763.** VANNES to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 191.

He will learn from their common letters to Wolsey, written chiefly in cipher, the state of the cause. *We have done what we could to defer the avocation; for if the Pope had heard of the Queen's appeal, and the sentence of contumacy pronounced against her, he would never have delayed the avocation. We have therefore kept Campeggio's packet for his brother some days with us. If he complains, you can pretend ignorance or some excuse; all the better because we received your letters irregularly. The Pope has sent this post at our expence. Your Majesty must not show all we write to Campeggio. You can tell him, although it is not true, we have no fear of an avocation, lest he should defer judgment in expectation of it. We are inclined to think that Campeggio would not be sorry if the cause were avoked. I beg pardon for speaking so freely. The cause must be hurried on if you are afraid of the avocation. Although the Pope promises delay, I fear that on the receipt of letters from the Queen and lady Margaret he will be compelled by the Imperialists to advoke the suit. It were well that the Queen's letters into Flanders were intercepted. If your Majesty wishes to comply with the Pope's requests, it is fitting that you write immediately. The Pope is well disposed to you, and would not refuse to shed his blood for you; but in this cause, and at this time, he says it is impossible.*

I will send your Majesty's bulls as soon as they are expedited. The occupations of SS. Quatuor, and the negligence of the scribes, have occasioned this delay. Rome, 9 July 1529.

Hol. Lat. Part cipher, deciphered. Add. Endd. Sealed.

9 July. **5764.** VANNES to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 189. B. M.

Has received the King's and his letters dated 25 June. The packet had been opened, but the letters were untouched. Supposes, if Wolsey sent his own courier, that he must have fallen ill, and sent on some one else. Omits nothing to obtain the King's desire. Knows how anxious Wolsey is about it, but they are compelled to accept, not what they wish, but what is given them. *Have not yet delivered Campeggio's letters, that the advocation may be delayed by the Pope's not knowing the particulars of which he writes. Fears much the advocation. Advises Wolsey to hasten the process, and to take care that no inhibition or advocation is brought by way of Flanders. Will do what they can to prevent its being granted here. The cardinal of Ancona has promised that he will never assent to the Pope's advoking the cause.*

Sir Gregory uses the greatest diligence in the King's matters, and employs the services of his friends, who are many and of great authority. Suggests that he should be rewarded.

What he has said above about the packet being opened is not true, but he wrote it that Wolsey might show it to Campeggio if he complains of the non-delivery of his letters.

Hears from France that the King seems to protract the negotiations for peace, on account of his cause. We say that if the Emperor desires peace, there is no necessity for his mixing up the King's cause with it. The Colonnese army at Perugia is disbanded for want of money; and the Pope is trying to recover his own by friendly means. The arrival of the Emperor is expected. The rumours about the Turk, and the defection of the Germans,

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daily increase. Will obtain the reformation of Wolsey's bulls as soon as he can. No servant of the King can be more devoted than Vannes, although it is his misfortune to serve him here. Asks for leave to visit his mother and family when he is recalled. Rome, 9 July 1529.
Hol., Lat., pp. 4. *Part cipher, deciphered.*

9 July. **5765.** VANNES to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. xi. 187. B. M.

The agents of the bishop of Palencia offer to settle with Vannes about the pension and arrears. They say that an excommunication is being procured against the Bishop for nonpayment, although he has never refused it. He is said to be at Barcelona, about to come to Italy with the Emperor. If Wolsey will send him a commission and full particulars, will endeavour to obtain payment, either here or in Flanders. The brother of the bishop of Worcester has expedited a bull for the pension granted by the Emperor's order on the archbishopric of Toledo, but the bull still remains in the hands of the officials for the payment of the tax. The Pope has refused to grant it gratis, as it would deprive the officials of their profit. Wishes Wolsey to send 1,500 ducats. The matter may be endangered, if not concluded before the Emperor's arrival. Rome, 9 July 1529. *Signed.*
Lat., pp. 2.

9 July. **5766.** SYLVESTER DARIUS to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. xi. 184. B. M.

Visited the Pope on the 5th, and declared the charge of the King and Wolsey. He answered that he knew that there was no prince so attached to the Holy See and to himself as the King, and there is no one whom he so trusts or wishes to please; but what is demanded on the Queen's part in the King's cause is merely justice, and the Emperor daily writes and almost threatens him. He must act as a common father and good judge; and all the lawyers in the court say that the cause must be advoked, especially as the other party offer to affirm on oath that they cannot obtain justice, and he does not see what else he can do. He inclines to the King's side as honor and right compel him; and he has hitherto made excuses to the Emperor's ambassadors, when they continually demanded the advocation; and he will continue thus to protract the matter, even if it is necessary to pretend illness, until it is seen whether the matter can be arranged at this treaty of peace at Cambray. When Darius said that the Pope must find some means to prevent any advocation at any time, for the honor of the King, and lest the kingdom should suspect the King and Wolsey of injustice, especially as neither of them would do what was unjust, he answered that he had always considered and would always consider their interest and honor, so long as what he did was not a disgrace to himself and the Holy See. The hour being late, he then asked Darius to leave, and return another day. Rome, 9 July 1529.
Hol., Lat., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

9 July. **5767.** [GREG. CASALE to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. xi. 188. B. M.

Has received Wolsey's letters of 24 June, and shown them to the Pope. The Pope is wonderfully troubled when anything is said about not advoking the cause. He did not wish at present to write to Wolsey about peace. Is ashamed to speak of the capture of the count of St. Pôl and the dissolution of the French army, which was most disgraceful. On 21 June he moved his forces from Landriano, which is 12 miles from Milan, to pitch his camp five miles from Pavia. The previous evening 3,000 Spanish cavalry, with white tunics over their arms, left Milan to attack Landriano. When they arrived there it was already day, and the first body of the French had

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arrived at the appointed place. The Spaniards attacked the remainder, and, though repulsed at first, took the town, and then pursued the other body of French, with whom were the German infantry. The Spaniards put them easily to flight, and took their arms and guns. Those who had already arrived at the camp fled to Pavia. Guido Rangon saved himself. There is no vestige of the army left. St. Pôl was taken while trying to defend the guns. The French will never follow the advice of those who understand Italian affairs. Has often advised them to attack Milan while the corn was ripe; but they have not only not prevented the Spaniards from collecting the corn, but have so managed that they could not get corn from Provence without its being intercepted by the Spaniards. The Venetian forces have crossed the Adda, "sed magna ea[rum] quoque pars dissoluta est, adeo ut parvo quidem numero se receperint."

Nero, B. VI. 103. B. M.

There is nothing to write about the kingdom of Naples. There is no fear now for Perugia. The Imperialists have disbanded their forces and departed. Malatesta Balionus sallied out of Perugia, and devastated two castles which had received his enemies. A secret agent of king John, the Vaivode, often visits Casalis, and has told him the following news, which he received from the bishop of Zagrab, and from his servant at Buda. The Turks have crossed the Save, a tributary of the Danube, are marching on the Drave, carrying with them two bridges, and will follow the Danube to Vienna. The fleet is moving up the Danube. King John has a strong army, and the Vaivodes of Moldavia and Walachia are with him. The latter's predecessor was put to death by the Turk when he deserted king John, and the present Vaivode was ordered by the Turk to obey the King. With him is also Albert marquis of Brandenburg, great master of Prussia, leader of the German forces. His army consists of Hungarians, Transylvanians, Sclaves, Croats, Racians (*Raciani*), Teutons, Moldavians, Walachians, Polacks, and Tartars; and he threatens at present Styria and "Corinthia" (Carinthia), and then Austria and Vienna. All the Hungarians, Croats, Transylvanians, and Sclaves who were subject to Ferdinand have joined king John. Ferdinand has only 3,500 foot remaining, the rest being routed and killed by Simon Diach and Kozka of Bohemia, king John's generals, who took all his guns. Cacianus, a Croat, Ferdinand's general, went to Vienna to collect a new army, hearing that king John was approaching with a large force, but was obliged to flee, as the people intended to put him to death for his mismanagement. He is said to have gone to king John. Ferdinand has no more forces in Hungary, and has taken to Vienna the guns he had at Buda. Encloses a compendiary description of Hungary. Perhaps this sudden movement of the Turk will cause Christian princes to make peace, unless the Emperor's obstinacy prevents it. If peace is put off, there will be no remedy, for the Lutherans are in arms, and, against Ferdinand's will, determined in a diet to assist the Swiss Lutherans. Ferdinand's ambassador says that he must raise troops hastily on account of the approach of the Turk, as there is no time to wait for an army from Germany. He is asking for contributions of 50, 100, and 200 gold pieces from the Cardinals for his master's aid. Promises to use all possible diligence in the King's cause. Rome, 9 July 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 5. *Add. at Vit. B. xi. f.* 191 *b. The two parts of this letter have been separated.*

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"Consultationes tam juris divini quam sacrorum canonum in negotio regio editæ et reverendissimis legatis judicialiter exhibitæ."

(1.) On the King's part: Eight libels, four of which are by Staphileus, Gardiner, Bell, and Claiburgh, and one in refutation of the bishop of Rochester's arguments. The beginning words of each are quoted.

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(2.) On the Queen's part: Two libels of the bishop of Ely, one of the bishop of London, one of Mr. Gwent (D. Gwent), and others, and two of the bishop of Rochester.

ii. A list of the documents exhibited in the process:—

(1.) By the Legates: Their commission from Clement VII. Articles proposed to the King and Queen, beginning "In Dei nomine, Amen. Nos Thomas, &c." A matter against the dispensation exhibited by the King, beginning "In Dei nomine, Amen. In quadam causa." A schedule of the rejection of the Queen's recusation and appeal, beginning "Christi nomine." Additional articles, beginning "Item, addendo ad articulos." Another, beginning "Item, addendo ad allegata." Four citations, with certificates, endorsed, beginning "Thomas, &c." Testimonials sealed by bishops, witnessing the conscience of the King, beginning "Universis, &c." Testimonials of the assumption of Pope Julius II., beginning "Augustinus miseratione, &c.;" of the search made in the registry of briefs, beginning "Augustinus, &c.;" of the computation of the year in briefs, beginning "In Dei nomine, Amen. Per hoc." An attestation that only two briefs were found in the registry making mention of a dispensation, beginning "Augustinus Spinola." An additional article touching the King's protestation, beginning "Item, addendo ad materiam et articulos alias datos." An instrument, "Super assumptione notariorum." The King's protestation on attaining the age of puberty, beginning "In nomine Domini, Amen. Coram vobis." "Acta super compertis in libris Regum Armorum Anglicorum." Answers of the bishop of Winchester, beginning "Examinatio, &c." "Processus factus per D. Sampsonem Michel commissarii assumpti super examinatione duarum testium, &c.," beginning "Reverendissimis in Christo patribus, &c."

(2.) On the King's part: A proxy for the King, beginning "Henricus Octavus." The bull of the pretended dispensation, beginning "Julius Episcopus." A copy of the pretended brief, beginning "Nos Balthasar, &c." The King's answers to the articles, beginning "Henricus Octavus."

(3.) On the Queen's part: Her proxy, beginning "Pateat universis." Her matter of recusation, beginning "In Dei nomine, Amen. Coram vobis, reverendissimis, &c." Her protestation, beginning "Nos Katherina Angliæ, &c." Her provocation, beginning "In Dei nomine, Amen. Per præsens publicum, &c." Protestation of her proctor, beginning "Ego Johannes Faytor, &c." Her appeal, beginning "In Dei nomine, Amen. Coram vobis, reverendissimis in Christo patribus, &c." Supplication of John Anthony Musetula, the Emperor's ambassador at Rome, restored to the Queen by order of the judges, of which a copy is inserted in the process. Her supplication, complaint, appeal, and protest, in form of an instrument, beginning "In Dei nomine, Amen. Per præsens publicum instrumentum, &c."

(4.) A book, containing the process and acts in this cause, and a book of attestations and sayings of witnesses.

The above were all exhibited to the Legates. Witness, Will. Claiburgh, LL.D., notary.

Lat., pp. 6. *Endd. by the King.*

10 July. Vit. B. xi. 200. B. M.

5769. Benet, Casale and Vannes to [Wolsey].

Wrote yesterday. In order that the Pope might hear nothing of the hastening of the process, declared to him the tenor of the King's letters, and withheld Campeggio's letters to the bishop of Feltre and Salviati. Found that it would be difficult to prevent the Pope from advoking the cause at once; for though neither Campeggio nor the Bishop had any news, the secretary of the duke of Ferrara showed letters from D. Florian, dated London, 25 June, stating that both the King and Queen were cited, and appeared; the King spoke, many ceremonies were performed; and the Queen, after protest-

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ing and appealing, departed, and was therefore being proceeded against as contumacious. Supposes all this has been written to the Pope, as Florian writes so openly to a person whom it does not concern. It is bad enough for the Pope to know this, but much worse if it comes to the ears of the Imperialists, who, as soon as they know that the Queen is being proceeded against for contumacy, will demand the advocation with threats; and they fear the Pope will not wait, as he promised, for the King's answer. The Secretary says that the bishop of Feltre gave him these letters of Florian's, but he denies it. Think that Campeggio would be highly pleased at the advocation, and he therefore writes about the process to frighten the Pope.

Florian writes to Vannes on the 4th, that the bull of commission for the Legates has been presented; and at the end is added, "interim aliquid novi ista vestra Africa," which Vannes does not understand, unless they expect the advocation, or some new commission or promise for the King's benefit, though Campeggio well knows that no new commission or promise can be obtained from the Pope. Everything must be kept secret. Have asked the secretary of Ferrara to keep the above letters secret, but they do not know whether the bishop of Feltre will do so.

Extract from Florian's letter to Vannes.

On May 30 *commenced the cause, though they were doubtful whether to proceed to the inquisition ex officio, or by civil and ordinary law. Seem thus to have stuck at the very door. The King and Queen are, however, cited for June* 18. *Interea Africa isthæc vestra aliquid novi.* Rome, 10 July 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 3. *Cipher deciphered.*

10 July. **5770.** RICE GRIFFITH to WOLSEY.

R. O. According to the King's commission, tried Wm. Hughes and the others for piracy, at the suit of John Salman of Southampton, but the jury has acquitted them. Has apprehended them till they can find sureties for their behavior, and they are like to stay in prison all their lives for lack of surety. Has bound the jury in 100*l.* apiece to be forthcoming when called upon by the King. Carmarthen, 10 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's grace. *Endd.*

12 July. **5771.** KNIGHT to [WOLSEY].

Cal. D. xi. 70. B. M. " * * * grace unto me . . . . . the King both the said letters . . . . . [en]tiere recommendations as I could dyvi[se, as well in your n]ame as in the King my master's, dec[laring unto him] how inwardly the King rejoiced to hear by [his ambassadors], the lord duke of Suffolk and Mr. Treasurer, hi[s advice and] opinion in that that he judged requisite, and of g[reat concern] that the King should be a principal party at this d[iet at] Cameray concerning the peace and to have his p . . . . . causes of amity and intercourse to pass apart . . . . . declaration and rehearsal of his inward intent and mind . . . . . how firmly and like a very natural loving brother [he] intended to adhere unto the King in his cause of matr[imony], extending his virtuous behaviour towards the King's [highness], and the King's most hearty thanks for the same unto him, [in as] ample form as my poor wit would serve me to do. Whereunto the French king did make answer, that in all [his] doings for the King's highness, he did but his duty, for h[e] was more obliged unto the King than he could by words [or] writing express or by any actual merit recompense; bu[t] his Highness should assuredly find that he would emp . . . * * * being

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also required . . . . . Moore, I said that inasmuch . . . . . writing of his own hand to concur . . . . . after in all fortunes. It was much exp[edient, in] case the Emperor by reason of the King's matrimony . . . . . of the same would attempt the war, to cap[itulate] and plainly to agree and know in time convenient [how and] after what fashion he would concur unto the said wa[r], desiring him, therefore, to write unto the lady Regent, and t[o] require her to capitulate with the King's ambassadors upon th[is]. He answered that he would right gladly, requir[ing] his mother to give audience unto the King's ambassadors an[d] to capitulate with them upon all reasonable requests [and] demands that they would propose concerning the form [of] the said war, whereof I have advertised my lords the ambassadors with diligence." Sends a copy of the king of Scots' letter. Channy, 12 July.

Hol., mutilated.

12 July. **5772.** THOMAS CROMWELL.

R. O. Will of Thomas Cromwell, of London, made on the 12 July 1529, 21 Hen. VIII.*

His body to be buried where he shall die. Bequeaths to his son, Gregory Cromwell, [400*l.*]† 666*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to be invested in lands to his use, at 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* a year, descending to heirs male, &c., the profits to be spent on his education till he reach the age of 22; a sum of 200*l.* when he is 24 years old; three of his best feather beds, with bolsters and blankets of fustian; best coverlet of tapestry and quilt of yellow Turkey satin, 10 pr. best sheets, 4 pillows of down, 4 pr. best pillow beres, 4 table cloths, 4 best towels, 2 doz. of my finest napkins, and 2 doz. others; [a]† two garnyssh of my best vessel; 3 of my best brass pots; 3 brass pans, 2 kettles, 2 spits; my best joined bed of Flanders work, with the best syler and tester; my best press carven of Flanders work, and best cupboard of the same, 6 joint stools of Flanders work, and 6 cushions; a bason with a lewer parcel gilt, my best salt gilt, my best cup gilt, 3 of my best goblets gilt, 3 others parcel gilt, 12 of my best silver spoons, 3 of my best drinking ale pots gilt. The plate to be kept for his son till he be of the age of 22; and if he die before that age, to be sold, and the money divided among my poor kinsfolk, viz., the children of my sisters Eliz. and Katharine, and of my late wife's sister Joan, wife to John Willyamson. And if all their children die before the partition, the proceeds to go to my other poor kinsfolk, in deeds of charity for my soul, &c.

[To my daughter Anne, 100 marks when she is of lawful age to be married, and 40*l.* to her finding till then, which is to be delivered to my friend John Croke, one of the Six Clerks of Chancery; with provisions for contingencies.‡] To my sister, Elizabeth Wellyfed, wife to Will. Wellyfed, [20*l.*, which she oweth me,‡] 40*l.*, 3 goblets without a cover, a maser and a nut. To my [cousin‡] nephew Ric. Wyllyams, [servant to the marquis Dorset,‡] 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, my best gown, doublet, and jacket. To my nephew Chr. Wellyfed, 40*l.*, with my fifth gown, doublet, and jacket. To my nephew Will. Wellyfed, jun., 20*l.* To my niece Alice Wellyfed, to her marriage, 20*l.*, with remainder to her brother Christopher if she die before, and after him to his brother William Wellyfed the younger; and if they all die, to my son Gregory, or if he die before them, to [Anne and Grace, my daughters,†] Richard Wylliams and Water Williams, my nephews. To my mother-in-law, Mercy Pryor, 40*l.*, and her chamber, with certain household stuff and plate, described. To my brother-in-law, Will. Wellyfed, 20*l.*, my third gown, jacket, and doublet. To John Wyllyamson, [20*l.*†], 100 marks, a gown, a

* To judge by the handwriting the corrections are some years later.
† Struck out, and corrected. ‡ All this is crossed out.

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doublet, and a jacket, a feather bed, a bolster, and other articles. To Johane Wyllyamson, "their" daughter, to her marriage, 20*l.*; and to every other of their children, [3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.**], 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* To Walter Wyllyams, my [cousin*] nephew, 20*l.* To Rafe Sadleyer, my servant, [100*] 200 marks, my second best jacket and doublet, and all my books. To Hugh Whalley, my servant, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* To Stephen Vaughan, *sometime*† my servant, [10*l.*] 100 marks. To Page, my servant, otherwise called John du Pount, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* [To Eliz. Gregory, sometime my servant, 20*l.*, 6 pr. of sheets, a feather bed, and other articles.‡] To Thos. Averey, my servant, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* [To John Croke, one of the Six Clerks of Chancery, 10*l.*, my second gown, doublet, and jacket. To Roger More, serjeant of the King's bake-house, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and 3 yds. satin; and to Maudelyn, his wife, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*‡] To John Horwood, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* [To my little daughter Grace, 100 marks when she comes of age to marry, and 40*l.* towards her exhibition till then, to be delivered to my brother-in-law John Willyamson; and if she die, the remainder to go to my son Gregory; and if he be dead, to be divided among my poor kinsfolks, *i.e.*, my sister's children aforesaid.‡] The rest of my apparel to be divided among my servants.

My executors are to take the yearly profits of my farm of [Sutton at Hone and Temple Dartford in Kent, and of the parsonage of Sutton‡] Canbery in Middlesex, and out of them [distribute in charity for my soul 40*s.* a quarter,§] pay my brother-in-law Will. Wellffe[d], and Eliz. his wife, my only sister, 20*l.*; the remainder of the rent to be kept to the use of my son Gregory till he be 22 years old, when he shall have the farm; or if he die before, my cousin Richard Williams.

My executors to hire a priest to sing for my soul, at 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* a year, for seven years, and to give 20*l.* towards the making of highways in this realm, where it shall be thought most necessary. Further bequests to the five Orders of Friars in London, for 60 poor maidens' marriages, 13*s.* 4*d.* each, for poor householders to pray for my soul, for poor parishioners of the parish where I dwell at my decease, to the poor prisoners of Newgate, Ludgate, King's Bench, and Marshalsea.

‖ [Bequests to Will. Brabason, my servant; John Averey, yeoman of the bottles with the King; Thurston, my cook; and Will. Bodye, Peter Mewtes, Ric. Swyft and Geo. Wylkynson, my servants; Thos. Alvard and Thos. Russhe, my friends; John Hynde, my horsekeeper. The patent of the manor of Rompney to be kept to the use of my son Gregory when of age.]

The rest of his goods, after payment of funeral expences, to be sold and distributed in charity. The following to be executors:—[John Croke, one of the Six Clerks of Chancery,‡] *Steph. Vaughan*,¶ Ralph Sadleyer, my servants, [John Smyth‡,] and John Wyllyamson, my brother-in-law. Roger More to be overseer.

In Wriothesley's hand, with corrections by Cromwell; pp. 20. *Each page is signed by Cromwell at the foot. On a fly leaf in front is written by Wriothesley:* A copy of my master his will.

R. O. 2. Draft (imperfect at the beginning) of will, probably of a relative of Cromwell, containing the following bequests:—To each of his servants, being a waterman or miller, 3*s.* 4*d.*; to Henry Turpyn, "my kinsman," at Wandsworth, 8*l.*, to be paid in yearly instalments of 40*s.*, with two feather beds,

* Struck out, and corrected.
† This word is interlined.
‡ Crossed out.
§ This is part of a passage which is crossed out.
‖ These bequests are added, on a different paper, in Cromwell's own hand, to be inserted here.
¶ Interlined in place of Croke.

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half a dozen silver spoons, and "my little maser that I now have at Wandsworth, and my tawney gown, furred with black." To Jenet Emotson, my brother's daughter, 40*s.* in money, and my third maser, to pray for my soul. To James Storey, baker, my best gown and doublet. To — Jakson, chaundlar, of Westminster, my violet gown, furred with black. A chalice, to be made of his plate, is bequeathed to the parish church at Wandsworth. To Elizabeth, wife of William Wellyfed, one of his best goblets. His executors to have his interest in the lease of his mills and lands at Wandsworth. Elizabeth my wife to have the remainder of my term of years in my house or mill and lands in the parish of St. Olave's, Southwark, my six horses that my servants know belonged to my said house, and all the household stuff; but she is not to meddle with the horses or stuff belonging to the mill at Wandsworth. The residue of his goods to go to Adam Beeston, of the parish of St. Olave, brewer, and to James à Stable, dwelling at Totyng Gravelyng, in Surrey. John Kyngesmill, of the parish of St. Olave's, to be executor.

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R. O. I. Articles of the treaty between the king of Castile and Henry VII. for the marriage between Arthur prince of Wales and lady Katharine.

II. Articles of the treaty of marriage between prince Henry and Katharine.

III. Articles of a treaty between Henry VIII. and Francis I.*

IV. Another abstract of the treaty of marriage between Arthur and Katharine, 1496.

V. Another abstract of the same.

VI. Copy of I., II., and III.

VII. Copy of IV.

VIII. Letters patent of prince Arthur conferring a dowry on princess Katharine, 14 Nov. 1501.

IX. Articles of the treaty of marriage between Charles prince of Spain, and Mary daughter of Henry VII., 1507.

X. "A brief collection out of an account of the jointure of queen Katharine of Spain, made for one whole year ended in the 13th year of the reign of King Henry the VIII."

XI. Extract from letters patent of king Henry VIII. to his consort queen Katharine (Parr ?)†

XII. Abstract of the second treaty of the marriage betwixt Katharine of Castile and Henry prince of Wales, 1503.

XIII. Opinions respecting the divorce, "*pro Rege.*"

XIV. Two letters patent of Augustine Spinola, cardinal of St. Cyriac in Thermis, dated 27 January 1529, marked "*Contra.*"

Copies, all modern, except XIII. *and* XIV.

Vit. B. XII. f. 60 b. B. M. 2. Memorandum of the production by Mr. Hughes, on the 12 July [1529], of the following witnesses against the dispensation exhibited by the Queen; viz., dukes of Norfolk and Suffolk, the marquis of Dorset, viscount Rochford, the bishop of Carlisle, Sir David Owen, Sir John Hussey, and Sir Ric. Weston, to whom an oath was administered.

Draft, Lat., p. 1.

R. O. Pocock's Records, I. 1. 3. [Hadrian de Castello to Henry VII.] Written shortly after the election of pope Julius II., of which he gives some particulars. On visiting the Pope next day, he first spoke of Henry's zeal for the Holy See, and for a crusade against the Turks; then asked for a dispensation between the King's

* Partly in lord Burleigh's hand.

† The Court of Augmentations is mentioned.

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son and the daughter of the kings (*regum*) of Spain,—also for some corrections in the Bull of Indulgence. *The Pope said the dispensation was a great matter; nor did he well know, prima facie, if it were competent for the Pope to dispense in such a case, but if he could he would gladly satisfy Henry and the Catholic kings, whose ambassadors had already spoken with him.*† Hadrian replied that it was quite lawful, and there were excellent reasons for giving it, and said there were precedents under Alexander [VI.], Innocent [VIII.], and Sixtus [IV.] The Pope at last promised to consult with certain Cardinals, of whom he named Hadrian one. Applied also for the bulls for the vacant bishoprics of Canterbury, Chichester and St. Asaph's, the expedition of which the Pope committed to him, as Pius III. had done. News of Naples.

Hol., Lat., pp. 4. *Imperfect.*

Vit.B.XII.213. B. M. 4. Opinion denying the Pope's power of granting dispensations for marriage within the first degrees of consanguinity or affinity.

Lat., pp. 2.

Vit.B.XII.211. B. M. 5. Notes concerning the proceedings in matrimonial cases.

Lat., pp. 2, *mutilated.*

Vit.B.XII.219. B. M. 6. Extracts from letters of John Hildebert, bishop of Mans, to the bishop of Seez, and others, supporting the King's case.

Lat., pp. 8, *mutilated.*

Vit.B.XII.217. B. M. 7. Copy of a bull of ———— to the bishops of Ely, Norwich, ... and St. Asaph's, denying the lawfulness of the marriage of the prince of North Wales with the widow of his uncle, daughter of the Lord of the Isles.

Lat., pp. 4, *mutilated.*

Vit.B.XII.214. B. M. 8. Opinions of St. Gregory, Hugo, Alexander, Peter de Palude, and others, and references to passages in other authors concerning marriages of affinity.

Lat., pp. 5, *mutilated.*

Vit. B. XII. 205*. B. M. 9. "Lanfrancke, bishope of Canterburye, under kyng William the 2, brought in first Transubstantiation; and Anselm, under Henry the First, his successor, brought in unmaryed preastes; so maried priests and ther impanation (?) cannot agree, it is so pope holye, he may not toutche it; the maden preast and it must neads go together, the one cannot stand without the uther.

"Flores Hist. penninge this history in anno 1051, sathe it was done prope civitatem Lindiusfarne, meninge Durham, wich name is to be observed of sutche as trewlye would understand thistorye."

On a small slip of paper.

5774. KATHARINE OF ARRAGON.

Vit.B.XII.70. B. M. A set of depositions as to Katharine's marriage with prince Arthur.

1. Of George earl of Shrewsbury, seneschal of the King's household, at the Coldherbar, on Monday, 28 June 1529. Is 59 years of age. Was present at the marriage of Henry VII. at Westminster, and at the creation of Arthur prince of Wales and Henry duke of York. They were always considered as brothers, and he never heard it contradicted. Was present at the marriage of prince Arthur with Katharine, now Queen, at St. Paul's, in Nov. 17 Hen.VII. 1521 (*sic*). Believes that Arthur was then 14 or more. Saw the queen Elizabeth and him a month after his birth, at Winchester, in

† This passage is underlined in the original, and marked in the margin, evidently for the purpose of being used in the divorce suit.

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2 Hen. VII. Believes that Catharine was more than 14. Thinks that Arthur must have been nearer 15 than 14. At night, with the lord of Oxford and others, conducted prince Arthur to the lady Catharine's bedchamber, and left him there. Supposes that the Prince consummated the marriage,—as he did so, being only 15½ years when he was married. They were always considered lawfully married during the life of prince Arthur. Saw the funeral of prince Arthur at Worcester, and the marriage of the King and Queen at Greenwich. Cannot answer the 6th and 7th articles, but leaves them to the laws. Never heard what is contained in the 8th article. As to the 9th, knows that the King and Queen cohabited and treated each other as husband and wife, but cannot say whether lawfully or not. Can say nothing from his own knowledge as to the 10th, 11th, and 12th articles. Has made this deposition without being instructed or corrupted in any way, only for the sake of truth.

Lat. and Eng., pp. 12.

Vit. B. XII. 80. B. M.

2. Of Thomas marquis of Dorset. Is 52 years of age. The 1st and 2nd articles contain the truth. Was present at the baptism of Arthur and Henry,—the former at Winchester, and the latter at Greenwich. Was present at the marriage of prince Arthur with Catharine, now Queen, at St Paul's, on a Sunday in Nov. 1501, 17 Hen. VII. Believes Arthur was about 15, for he has seen in the book in which are written the births of the King's children that he was born 20 Sept. 1486. Was present when prince Arthur went to bed after his marriage, where the lady Catharine lay under the coverlet, "as the manner is of queens in that behalf." Thinks that he used the princess as his wife, for he was of a good and sanguine complexion, and they were commonly reputed as man and wife during prince Arthur's life. As to the 5th article, he can depose nothing to the first part, as he was then prisoner at Calais; but the remainder, touching cohabitation and reputation, is true. Can say nothing to the 6th, 7th, and 8th. The 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th contain the truth, as he believes.

Lat. and Eng., pp. 8.

Vit. B. XII. 85. B. M.

3. Of Sir Antony Willoughby. Has lived 15 years in Hampshire, for 12 years previously in Wiltshire. Was five years in the service of prince Arthur, for five years before that in the service of the bishop of Durham, and before that time in his father's household. Believes the 1st and 2nd articles to be true. To the 3rd and 4th, was present at the marriage of prince Arthur and lady Catharine. By favor of his father, lord Broke, steward of the King's household, was present when prince Arthur went to bed on his marriage night in the palace of the bishop of London. In the morning the prince, in the presence of Mores St. John, Mr. Cromer, Mr. William Woddall, Mr. Griffith Rice, and others, said to him, "Willoughby, bring me a cup of ale, for I have been this night in the midst of Spain;" and afterward said openly, "Masters, it is good pastime to have a wife." He, therefore, supposes that the marriage was consummated; and he heard that they lay together the Shrovetide following at Ludlow.

Knows that they lived together as man and wife during the remainder of the Prince's life.

Believes the 5th article to be true. Can depose nothing to the 6th, 7th and 8th. Believes the 9th, 10th and 11th to be true. The 12th contains law; to which he is not bound to reply. To the second additional interrogatory he replies, that it contains the truth, for he has been present twenty times at the solemnization of marriage, and the said form of words is always used.

Lat. and Eng., pp. 10, *draft.*

Cott. App. XXVII. 133. B. M.

4. Another draft, incomplete.

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Vit. B. XII. 98. B. M. 5. Examination of witnesses by John Tayler, archdeacon of Buckingham, in the presence of Florian Montini, William Claiburgh, and Richard Watkins, notaries.

Deposition of George earl of Shrewsbury. (See § 1.)

Deposition of Thomas marquis of Dorset. (See § 2.)

Deposition of Anthony Poynes. Is 50 years of age. Was born in Kent. Has lived there, in the Isle of Wight, and in Gloucestershire. Served prince Arthur for five or six years, and subsequently Henry VII. and Henry VIII. The 1st and 2nd articles are true. Henry VII. appointed him to serve prince Arthur as his eldest son, and he remained in his service until his death. As to the 3rd and 4th articles, was present at the marriage of prince Arthur and lady Catharine. Believes the Prince was above 15 years of age. Knows that the Prince and lady Catharine lived together as man and wife. To the remaining articles gives similar answers to those in the preceding depositions.

ii. Deposition of Sir William Thomas, of Carmarthen. Is 50 years of age or thereabout. Has lived in Carmarthen and Shropshire for 25 years. Was groom of the privy chamber to prince Arthur, for three years before his death. Henry VII. and his Queen always lived and were reputed as man and wife. Was appointed and sworn servant to prince Arthur as the King's son, and similarly to Henry VIII. after Arthur's death, and both Princes received the dignities proper to the King's sons. Was present at the marriage of the prince Arthur and lady Catharine, and they were married lawfully, as far as he knows or ever heard. Knows that they lived together near London and at Ludlow for five months, till the Prince's death. As one of the Prince's privy chamber, often conducted him in his nightgown to the Princess's bedchamber door, received him in the morning, and conducted him to his own room. They called each other prince and princess, man and wife, and were always so reputed.

Believes that prince Arthur was 15 years of age. Has been told so by Sir William Woddall and others who were present at his baptism. Believes that the lady Catharine was 18. Was present at the marriage of the present King and Queen in the Queen's closet at Greenwich.

iii. Deposition of Sir Henry Guldeford. Is 40 years of age. Agrees with lord Darcy, the previous witness, as to the 1st and 2nd articles, except that he did not serve Henry VII. Can depose nothing as to the consummation of the marriage, as he was then not 12 years old. No special replies to the remaining articles.

iv. Deposition of Sir David Owen, of Sussex, where he has lived 40 years. Was born in Pembrokeshire. Served Henry VII. in England and abroad. Is 70 years of age. Was present at the marriage of Henry VII. and queen Elizabeth, at the baptism of princes Arthur and Henry, at their creation as prince of Wales and duke of York, and at the marriage of prince Arthur with the lady Catharine.

v. Deposition of Sir John Hussy, of Lincolnshire, 63 years of age. Being asked as to the peace between England and Spain, answered that there was continual peace during the life of prince Arthur and afterwards. Cannot say whether it would have endured if Henry VIII. had not married lady Catharine. King Henry VII. died 20 years ago, within a week of the Feast of St. George. Was comptroller of the household, and at the court at Richmond when he died. Was present at his burial at Westminster. Believes that Henry VIII. was 38 years of age on the eve of St. Peter.

Lat. and Eng., draft, pp. 61.

Vit. B. XII. 130. B. M. 6. Deposition of Nicholas bishop of Ely.

Is 68 years of age.

Princes Arthur and Henry were legitimate sons of Henry VII. and his

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queen Elizabeth. Was present at the marriage of prince Arthur, but can say nothing as to the words used, on account of the tumult and multitude of people there. Can say nothing as to the consummation, but he doubts of it, because the Queen has often told him, on the testimony of her conscience, "quod [non] fuit carnaliter a dicto Arthuro cognita," but they were both of sufficient age. As to the 5th article, believes the marriage was contracted both *de facto* and *de jure*, by reason of the dispensation; but he cannot depose to the time mentioned in the article. To the 6th article, has always believed that it is true as to *jus divinum*, and believes that it is also true as to *jus ecclesiasticum*. The 7th article would be true if there had not been a legitimate dispensation. Can depose nothing to the 8th article. Has heard the archbishop of Canterbury say that he had a dispute with the late bishop of Winchester on the subject. To the 9th, the present King and Queen were lawfully married, as he believes. Believes the 10th to be true, as the Pope affirms it in a rescript. Believes the 11th to be true. To the 12th, does not consider that the legates are competent judges, as an appeal has been made.

Draft, mutilated, pp. 3.

Vit.B.XII.96b. B. M.

7. ". . . . [di]e mensi Julii anno Domini supradicto, comparuit M. . . . has allegans . . . . post terminum ad proponendum omnia effluxum . . . . . b instrumentum protestationis de novo repertum . . . . . dedit articulum additionalem et protestationem per Regem, &c., et subscriptam manu et subscriptione Nicholai Eliensis, qui . . . . . recognovit protestationem subscriptam manu sua, &c. Deinde judices ex causa instrumentorum de novo repertorum prorogaverunt et in contumacia reginæ prorogaverunt et monuerunt procuratorem regis ad interessendum eodem die, &c."

Corrected draft, p. 1.

Vit. B.XII. 49. B. M.

8. "Die Veneris, viz., —— die mensis J . . . . . coram R. dominis, judices ad p[etitionem Johannis] Hughes introduxit W. Fal[ke] . . . . . Johannem Tavreman* et Johannem Clamp[ort] . . . . . in testes, &c., super ultimo articulo add[itionali] . . . . . deinde ad promotionem Hughes domini (?) prorogarunt [curiam] quia testes in partibus non fuerunt [voc]ati et quia credat se . . . . . alia munimenta facientia ad ca[usam] omni, &c., in contumaciam reg[inæ] . . . . . Deinde Hughes allegavit [alia] munimenta et scripturæ . . . . . [*majoris*†] in archivis et . . . . . chartophylaceo, &c., majorem et ca[merarios] London', &c., et commiserit Magistro B[urbanke], assumpto nobis notariis conjunctim et divisim, &c. . . . . scrutandum tam libros Herhaldorum . . . . . quam majoris et camerariorum [London' et] aliorum, &c., monuerunt (?) ad pro . . . . . reg' ad interessendum, abbati W[estmonasterii, W.] Burbank, Higons, &c., tam in scriniis re[giis] . . . . . quam aliis, et monuerunt du[cem] Norfolk et dominum Salopiæ de D. Gilfold ad præbendum fam' (?), inspiciendum (?), &c., et . . . . . crastinum" * * *

Draft, mutilated, p. 1. *In a very illegible hand.*

Cott. App. XXVII. 135. B. M.

9. Deposition of Robert viscount Fitzwater. Is 46 years of age, or thereabouts. To the 1st and 2nd articles, agrees with Thomas marquis of Dorset. Was in the service of Henry VII. from the death of prince Arthur to the death of the King. Princes Arthur and Henry were always considered as the natural and lawful sons of Henry and Elizabeth. Was assigned by the King to the service of Arthur as his eldest son, and served him till his death.

To the 3rd and 4th articles, was present at the marriage of prince Arthur and lady Katharine. Believes Arthur was then 15 years of age, as he heard

* Taverner. † Crossed out.

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KATHARINE OF ARRAGON—*cont.*

from credible witnesses, and that Katharine was older. Was with the earls of Oxford and Shrewsbury, and others, at the bishop of London's palace, waiting on prince Arthur going from his own chamber to that of the Princess, and left him in the bed, where, he believeth surely, the Princess lay. They dwelled together at Ludlow till the Prince's death. As to public report, agrees with the earl of Shrewsbury. To the 5th article, cannot depose, except as to reputation, cohabitation, and offspring, in which he agrees with the marquis of Dorset. To the 6th, 7th and 8th, cannot depose. The 9th contains the truth. Believes the 10th, 11th and 12th to be true. Has not been influenced by force, fear, or the like.

Lat. and Eng., pp. 8, *draft.*

Cott. App. xxvii. 139. B. M.

10. Deposition of Thomas lord Darcy.

Is 60 years of age or thereabouts.

To the 1st and 2nd articles, Henry VII. and Elizabeth lived together for many years as husband and wife, to his knowledge, as he was in their service. Arthur and Henry were always considered as their lawful sons, to which he never heard the contrary. To the 3rd and 4th, cannot depose, as he was absent on the King's service in the North of England, but he believes that Arthur and Catharine were lawfully married, from public report. To the 5th, cannot depose concerning the marriage; but as to cohabitation, &c., believes it to be true. To the 6th, 7th and 8th, cannot depose. Believes that the 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th contain the truth. Is not influenced by force, &c.

Lat., pp. 5, *draft.*

Cott. App. xxvii. 141 b. B. M.

11. Deposition of William lord Mountjoy.

Is 52 years of age or thereabout.

To the 1st and 2nd articles, agrees with lord Darcy. To the 3rd and 4th, was present at the marriage of Arthur and Katharine, at St. Paul's. Believes Arthur was more than 14 years of age. Knows nothing of Katharine's age, nor of the consummation, except from report. To the 5th, agrees with Thos. marquis of Dorset as to cohabitation, offspring, and reputation, but cannot depose about the marriage. To the 6th and 7th, cannot depose. To the 8th, never heard of any great murmur or scandal in consequence of this marriage, among either the clergy or laity. The 9th contains the truth. To the 10th, 11th and 12th, cannot depose. Is not influenced by fear, &c.

Lat. and Eng., draft, pp. 5.

Cott. App. xxvii. 133. B. M.

12. Duplicate of the testimony of Sir Henry Guldeford, given above, § 5. iii.

Cott. App. xxvii. 145. B. M.

13. Deposition of ——— (?)

* * * [Katharine] was then commonly considered to be older than Arthur. Has heard from trustworthy persons that they cohabited as man and wife.

Was present at the bishop of London's palace at Paul's, the morrow after the wedding, waiting upon the prince at breakfast, when Morice Sent John said to him, "Sir, ye look well upon the matter;" to which the Prince answered, "I look well for one that hath been in the midst of Spain." From these words he believed that the marriage was consummated. Was told by Maurice Sent John, who was in the Prince's service, that Arthur, after he had lain with the lady Katharine, at Shrovetide after his marriage, began to decay, and was never so lusty in body and courage until his death, which St. John said was because he lay with the lady Katharine. Believes the 5th article to be true. Cannot depose to the 6th, 7th and 8th. Believes the 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th to be true.

Has not been subjected to undue influence.

Lat. and Eng., draft, pp. 5.

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Cott. App. XXVII. 147 b. B. M.

14. Deposition of Thos. visc. Rocheford, 15 July, at the Friars Minors. Is 52 years of age. To the 1st and 2nd articles, knows that Henry VII. and Elizabeth considered and named Arthur and Henry as their lawful sons, and they were everywhere so considered. To the 3rd and 4th, was present at St. Paul's in Nov. 17 Hen. VII. at the wedding of Arthur and Katharine; Henry VII. was present in the consistory place, and a great number of Englishmen and Spaniards in the church. Believes the marriage was lawful. Arthur was above 15 years of age; which he knew from the books in which the births of the children of the kings of England are entered, and from the report of nobles present at his baptism. Heard from Spaniards that Katharine was more than 16, and she has often told him the same herself. After the marriage they dwelled together as man and wife, to his knowledge, at the King's court and at Ludleye. Believes the marriage was consummated, from their age. Heard from many who were familiar with the Prince, that the day after his marriage he said he had been in the midst of Spain. Believes the 5th, 6th and 7th articles to be true. To the 8th cannot depose. To the 9th, the King and Queen cohabited till about two years ago, when he heard that the King was advised by his confessor to abstain from intercourse with the Queen, so as not to offend his conscience. Believes the 10th, 11th and 12th articles to be true. Has not been subjected to undue influence.

States* in answer to a question, that it is customary for brides, especially noble ladies, to be veiled during the blessing of the bed.

Lat. and Eng., pp. 10, *draft.*

Cott. App. XXVII. 152. B. M.

15. Deposition of Sir Ric. Sacheverell, of Leicestershire. Has lived in that county 40 years, and before that in Derbyshire, where he was born. Is 60 years of age and more. To the 1st and 2nd articles, knows that Henry VII. and Elizabeth lived together as King and Queen, and that Arthur and Henry were always considered as their lawful sons. Believes the 3rd, 4th and 5th to be true. Cannot depose to the 6th and 7th. To the 8th, he heard many people say that it was not meet that one brother should marry his brother's wife, referring to the marriage between Henry VIII. and Katharine. Knows the 9th to be true, and believes that the 10th, 11th and 12th are so. Has not been subjected to any undue influence.

Lat. and Eng., draft, pp. 6.

Cott. App. XXVII. 154 b. B. M.

16. Duplicate of the testimony of Sir David Owen, as given above, § 5. iv.

Cott. App. XXVII. 155. B. M.

17. Deposition of Sir William Thomas in the Parliament Chamber, 30 June, as given above, § 5. ii.

13 July. **5775.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Theiner, p. 587.

By my letters of the 21st, 24th, 25th and 29th ult., I informed you in what state this cause stood, and how it was proceeding with much celerity and more urgency. We have since progressed in the same manner with great strides till this day—always faster than a trot—so that some expect a sentence within ten days; and although we have many things to do—writings, allegations, and processes to see and examine—yet the urgency and diligence is so great that nothing is sufficient to procure us a moment's breathing time. It is impossible for me not to declare my opinion, and what seems to me most convenient, but it will avail little. I will not fail in

* This paragraph is inserted, and afterwards struck out.

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my duty and office, nor rashly or willingly give cause of offence to any person. When giving sentence, I will have only God before my eyes, and the honor of the Holy See.

The bishop of London and More departed on the 1st to attend the congress at Cambray. They had particular instructions to promote the interests of the Pope and the Holy See. I believe they will use their good offices in this respect, because I did my utmost both with the King and with them. On the 2nd the capture of Mons. de St. Pôl was reported here. London, 13 July 1529.

Ital.

13 July. **5776.** NIC. WEST, BISHOP OF ELY, to WOLSEY.

R. O. Was rejoiced at the good and gracious matters in his letters, which he prays God to bring to pass, and for his kindness in rejoicing at his recovery, of which Dr. Stephyns informed him. Will try and come up to do the King service in the matter, when Wolsey next writes, although he cannot well ride nor sit long on account of his illness. Asks to be excused if he comes by short journeys, but will make all possible speed, considering his disease and the intemperate heat. Downham, beside Ely, 13 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's grace.

15 July. **5777.** THE DIVORCE.

Le Grand, III. 336. Fragment of a letter of Casalis, 15 July 1529.

The Pope has revoked the King's cause. I know that nothing in the world could be more disagreeable to his Majesty, especially as it was done at the request of the Emperor, at this explanation with the Pope.

Ital.

16 July. **5778.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. i. Deposition of Mary wife of Henry Bourchier earl of Essex, taken at Stanstede, on Thursday, 15 July 1529, in the presence of Robert Johnson, notary public (of Norwich diocese). Her age is 44 years and over. She says that prince Arthur and Katharine lived as man and wife together; that the two occupied the same bed after the wedding, at London House, and were generally reputed as man and wife.

ii. Deposition of Agnes widow of Thomas late duke of Norfolk, taken on Friday, 16 July 1529, in the church of St. Mary, of the Cluniac priory of Thetford, by Sampson Mychell, canon, in the presence of John [Fletcher]* and [William]* Molyneux, M.A., her chaplain. Her age is 52 years and over. She knew Henry VII. and his queen Elizabeth from the time she was 15, and remembers Katharine coming from Spain, and the marriage of Arthur and Katharine in St. Paul's. "He was then about the stature that the young [earl of] Derby is now at, but not fully so high as the same Earl is." Also, that the said prince Arthur and [princess Ka]theryne, now being Queen, were brought to bed the next night after the said marriage; for this deponent did see them lie . . . . . me in one bed the same night, in a chamber within the said palace being prepared for them, and that this deponent left them so [lying to]gether there the said night."

On two skins of vellum, very badly mutilated.

* Supplied from the copy of these depositions in the record of the proceedings in court. See No. 5791. *post.*

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16 July. **5779**. BENET, CASALE and VANNES to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 202. B. M.

Yesterday arrived the abbot of Negri, servant of Andrea Doria, who left the Emperor at Barcelona on the 3rd July. He reports that perpetual peace and alliance between the Pope and the Emperor was declared there, which the Pope has ordered to be declared next Sunday, unless his health prevents it. Room is left for the comprehension of other Christian princes. The Abbot says that the Emperor will be here this month. Two thousand Spanish foot have been sent to Genoa. They were detained by the wind at Marseilles, and could have been easily taken by the French, but for their negligence and sloth.

The Imperialists say that the Emperor's daughter is already betrothed to the Pope's nephew, but the Pope will not acknowledge that this has been done. The prince of Orange and the greater part of the Imperial troops are on the road to Florence. Some say that the marquis of Guasto is with them, and that only Ferdinand Gonzaga with 5,000 Italian foot is left to guard Apulia, where there are only 5,000 Venetian and French foot, who are without wages, and in continual tumult.

Ascanio Colonna writes to his agent here, that they will not send the Spaniards from the kingdom of Naples on account of Apulia. Part of the Germans will be sent. Ramazotus, John Sassatelus, and the Vitelli, who are all the Pope's vassals, have each levied 2,000 foot. The Siennese will supply the same number. The Pope says that the Imperialists are going to Perugia to expel Malatesta Baglioni, and he cannot oppose their doing so, as Malatesta is in the service of the French and the Florentines. He confesses that if they have no chance of taking Perugia they will go on to Florence. The French king must come speedily to Italy, unless he wishes to lose everything there, and should at once fortify his towns in Lombardy. Rome, 16 July 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2.

16 July. **5780**. BENET, CASALE and VANNES to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 203. B. M.

Write in full to the King of the state of his cause. *Have left nothing undone to restrain the Pope from advoking the cause; have shown him the dangers of doing so, the King's merits, the necessity of the cause, and the scandals and tumult which the advocation would produce, the ruin of the Church, and the loss of England and France. His Holiness acknowledged that all this was true. Added also the ruin that would fall on Wolsey, who had done so much for him and the Holy See. These and other innumerable reasons were of no avail; and he wished to advoke the cause without waiting to hear from the King, saying he neither could nor would wait any longer, for he had heard from Campeggio that the cause was being hastened. No one could do more than they did, but it was in vain. Therefore, on the 13th June, for this purpose alone, a "signatura" was fixed, at which the Pope took the votes of the referendaries, but said that he would defer the signature until the next consistory. Found out secretly that he signed it yesterday morning, as it would have been dishonorable to have signed it after the publication of the new treaty with the Emperor, which will be published here on Sunday. Said to him that his letters to Campeggio tacitly contained the advocation, and were as effectual as this public exhibition of it. But they could not move him. He said it would not please the Imperialists, whom he could not deny. Are now urging him not to send the advocation publicly, nor to grant it to the Imperialists. This also, he says, will not please them, as they wish the advocation to come to the Queen's hands, but he says he will perhaps send it by one of his household. Said that the King was being treated too ignominiously, and that the Imperialists by their boasting would do more harm than good to the Queen. Will speak with the Pope today, if possible. Thinks that he will yield to the Imperialists.*

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BENET, CASALE and VANNES to WOLSEY—*cont.*

Tells Wolsey so, that if nothing else can be done, it may be intercepted at the harbor. Wolsey sees what is to be expected from the Pope if the sentence has been pronounced. His Holiness fears and trusts only the Emperor. Many Imperial captains, both horse and foot, are continually passing on their way to Florence. The prince of Orange is hourly expected. Will again ask the Pope that the cause may not be tried here; but they expect nothing. Are obliged to send this letter by a private courier and by an unsafe route, as no courier can go without Salviati's knowledge, and the Pope does not wish the King to know anything till the advocation is sent.

Silvester Darius gives them much assistance, but everything hangs on the will of one man. Rome, 16 July 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 3. *Mostly cipher, deciphered. Add. and endd. at f.* 208.

5781. ITALY.

Vit.B.xi.201*. B.M.

In the kingdom of Naples the Imperialists are collecting forces, and sending them on to Perugia. They have engaged Jo. Sazadello Imoleo, who has long served the Pope. He commands 2,000 foot and 200 horse. The Imperialist troops are daily passing. The duke of Melphi, captain of Sienna, will be here in two days. As Perugia is well fortified, and Malatesta has nearly collected the harvest, it is thought that these troops are intended for Florence and Tuscany. Count Guido Rangon, after the capture of the count of St. Paul, disbanded his forces and went to Venice. The duke of Urbino and the Venetian forces have retreated to the Venetian towns. The 7,000 Imperialists who were at Milan go where they like.

Lat., p. 1. *In Vannes' hand. Add. to Wolsey.*

16 July. **5782.** ST. PETER'S, CHERTSEY.

Rym. xiv. 301.

Restitution of temporalities to the monastery of St. Peter, Chertsey, Winc. dioc., on the election of John Coderey as abbot, whose fealty is to be taken by John Olyver, clk. Westm., 16 July.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 1.

17 July. **5783.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O.

Memorandum that, at the King's command, 17 July 21 Hen. VIII., John abbot of Westm., Dr. Burbank and Dr. Higgons received out of the Treasury of the Receipt four writings:—one with four seals in wooden boxes; † another, with a seal of the Spanish arms, subscribed in the Queen's hand, *Katherina princeps Walliæ;* another, with a little seal, endorsed, *Signum indorsatum in capsa Hispaniæ Arragoniæ;*† and another, sealed with the English seal, endorsed as the last. Receipt by Ric. Sampson for the four pieces from Ric. Warner, under-chamberlain of the Treasury. *Signed.*

P. 1. *On the dorse:* Receipt by Sampson for a paper relating to the treaty of marriage between Henry prince of Wales and Katherine, daughter of Ferdinand and Elizabeth, and a commission from Spain relating to the marriage. *Signed.*

Lat.

18 July. **5784.** CLEMENT VII. to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. xi. 205. B. M.

Informs him of his having made a treaty with the Emperor for the purpose of facilitating an universal peace. Desires credence for Campeggio. Rome, 18 July 1529.

Lat., vellum, mutilated. Add. Endd.

† These two items are struck out.

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19 July. **5785.** CLEMENT VII. to WOLSEY.

Vit. B xi. 207. B. M. Burnet, i. ii. No. 30.

Is very sorry to have been compelled to advoke the cause. Trusts that Wolsey will feel no regret, considering how much the Pope has done to delay it. Urges him to use his efforts to keep the King well disposed to the Holy See. Refers him to Campeggio. Rome, 19 July 1529.
Lat., vellum, mutilated. Add.

Ibid. f. 208.

2. Another copy.
Lat., vellum, mutilated. Add. Endd.

22 July. **5786.** CARDINAL'S COLLEGE, OXFORD.

R. O.

i. Revenues of the late monastery of Wallingford, 20 Hen. VIII.
ii. Ditto of Lesnes and Pray, with a receipt dated 22 July 21 Hen. VIII
iii. Ditto of Sandwell, and other places.
Pp. 12.

5787. WOLSEY'S COLLEGES.

R. O.

Payments by Thos. Crumwell in the business of my Lord's college, from Mich. 19 to 20 Hen. VIII., including rewards to Mr. Croke, Mr. Burton, and others; to Stephen Vaughan, for writing the evidences; to the Chief Justice, and Mr. Shelley, his clerk.
Pp. 12.

5788. WOLSEY'S COLLEGES.

R. O.

1. Memoranda of omissions and errors in the evidences of the lands granted to the colleges.
Pp. 10.

R. O.

2. Memoranda of omissions to be supplied in the evidences of various manors.
Pp. 15, *partly in Wriothesley's hand and partly in Cromwell's.*

22 July. **5789.** The BISHOP OF BAYONNE to the ADMIRAL (BRYON).

MS. 5499, p. 141. Bibl. Nat.

Nothing important has happened since he wrote on the 12th. Does not know how the marriage proceeds, but on Monday matters were almost as the King wishes, and the judges were deliberating about giving the sentence the Monday following. Now things are altered, and those who desired a divorce are extremely troubled, finding Campeggio not so favorable as they expected. Thinks he is inclined to remit the cognizance of the matter to the Pope *en brief ampliatif*, or else the news they have received here of the Pope's illness has changed their purpose. Campeggio must have expected to have his part in the cake by doing what would be acceptable to the Emperor, especially when the latter should have arrived in Italy, where it is expected he will soon be. At all events, the matter is in such a state no one can tell how it stands. We are longing very much for news from Cambray. Dare not go to court till he hear some. The bearer will tell you about the anxiety felt here to know about the matter of Scotland, especially about Albany. It is certain that if Wolsey had the power to give sentence alone, he would sooner do it than break off; but I know from sufficiently good authority that whatever he pretends the purport of the said commission to be, it is quite otherwise. "Je ne scay au vray ce qu'il en est." *Dated in the margin, at the head:* London, 22 July 1529 (?)
Fr., from a transcript, pp. 2.

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5790. FRANCIS I.

MS. 5,499. Bibl. Nat.

Instructions to John du Bellay, bishop of Bayonne, ambassador to the king of England, to treat of a defensive league between France and England, including the king of Scotland.

After presenting his letters, he shall declare his credence, and thank Henry for his efforts for the recovery of the French king's children, for which Francis awaits an opportunity of showing his gratitude. Notwithstanding the close amity already existing between them, Francis would be glad, without altering previous treaties, to make a league with his good brother for the dominions which they possess at present. He has accordingly commissioned Du Bellay to negociate with Henry thereupon, on the basis of the last defensive league made at . . . . . the . . . . . end of . . . . . 15 . . . . . between the two Kings, which Francis is willing on his part to augment, without excepting any one, of whatever quality or condition; and if the said two Princes have since made any treaties with other powers derogatory to the said league, they shall abandon them. Francis is content that the aid which either King shall give to the other shall be of 6,000 foot, kept at his own cost for so long as the war shall last, provided the King who asks such aid shall have armed at least 12,000 foot. If Henry object to the league being made in these general terms, and wishes some special engagement about the matter of his marriage, Francis consents to a clause that if, in consequence of Henry's suit for a divorce, he be attacked by any potentate, Francis will defend his countries in the manner above mentioned. Also, if Francis be attacked on the plea that the treaties of Madrid and Cambray have not been entirely observed, Henry shall be bound to defend him in the same manner. If the overtures of the king of England be agreeable to the above, Du Bellay may come to terms; but if Henry wish to bind Francis further, or to do less on his part, he must write for further instructions. If it be proposed that each power should provide a fleet as well as an army, Francis is quite willing to agree; and either Prince, on being asked, shall furnish a third part.

As to Scotland, he should represent that the king of Scotland is Henry's nephew, and that he ought to take means to prevent his forming an alliance with Henry's enemies, for which reason it would be very desirable to make a defensive league with him, and that Francis would endeavor to promote his marriage with the duchess of Urbino. This league ought to be pure and simple, without any restriction, otherwise it would not be accepted; and if Henry say that he cannot do it, on account of the marauders on the Scotch border, Du Bellay shall reply that if the two Princes once have a good understanding together, they can easily suppress these marauders, each party disavowing the enemies of the other. If Du Bellay perceive that the king of England consents to this treaty with France and Scotland, he shall make one with him apart, leaving a place for the king of Scotland as principal contrahent, with a clause requiring him to declare himself within a certain time.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 7.

23 July. **5791.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O.

Proceedings of the Legatine Court, containing depositions of witnesses, &c.

Begins with the words, ... "decreverunt eidem procuratori Regis copias omnium et singulorum gestorum et exhibitorum illo die et tribus sessionibus proximo præcedentibus dandas fore, præsentibus tunc memoratis domino abbate Westmon., et Thoma Arundell, armigero, et aliis multis in copiosa multitudine congregatis, die vero supradicto Veneris, videlicet 16° die mensis Julii, &c."

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Admission, on the petition of John Hughes, of Wm. Falk, notary, John Taverner, and John Clamport, citizens of London, as evidence on the 2nd article. Depose to the existence of certain writings touching this cause. Adjourned till the Monday following. Agreed, on the motion of the same Hughes, touching certain evidences in the possession of Garter, that John abbot of Westminster, Wm. Burbank, archdeacon of Carlisle, and ——— Hygons, canon of Sarum, shall report upon the same. Richard Sampson, the King's proctor, to be present at the search.

Monday, 19 July.—Proceedings touching the breve of pope Julius. Process exhibited by Sampson Michell, canon of Chichester, of Geoffrey Wharton, official of the bishop of London, with the subscription of Rob. Johnson, notary, containing the depositions of Agnes duchess of Norfolk, and Mary countess of Essex, as in No. 5778. preceding.

Note at f. 209:—"Desunt hic acta et depositiones testium examinatorum per Fra[n]klyn et Tailor."

Depositions of the abbot of Westminster, Burbank, and others, of searches made in the Exchequer at Westminster, 14 July 1529; present Ric. Warner, sub-chamberlain, and Ric. Longman, doorkeeper. Also, in the Orphan's Chamber at Guildhall, made by Th. Wryethesley, King-at-arms, and Th. Tong, Norroy. In a great register of the latter the following words were found:—"The year of our Lord God 1502, the 2nd day of April, in the castle of Luddelow, deceased the prince Arthur, first-begotten son of our sovereign lord king Henry the VIIth, the 17th year of his reign; immediately after whose decease Sir Richard Pole, his chamberlain, wrote and sent letters to the King's council to Greenwich, where his Grace and the Queen lay, and certified them of the Prince's departing; which discreetly sent for the King's ghostly father, to whom they showed this heavy and sorrowful tidings, and desired him, in his best manner, to show it to the King's highness; which, in the morning, the Tuesday next following, somewhat before the time accustomed, knocked at the King's chamber door. And when the King understood that it was his confessor, he commanded to let him in; which confessor, after due salutation, began to say, '*Si bona de manu Dei suscipimus, mala autem quare non sustineamus?*'—and so showed his Grace that his dearest son was departed to God."

In another ancient book of calendars (*calendarum*)—"This day was born the lord Herre, 1481" (*sic*), on 28 June; and in another—"Nativitas R. H. VIII., 28° die Junii 1491, Greenwich." Marriage of prince Arthur and Katharine at St. Paul's, 24 Nov. 1501.

In the Council Chamber they found a printed book of the names of the bailiffs, mayors, and sheriffs of the city of London, with this passage:—"This year (17 Hen. VII.) was sent unto England the king of Spain's third daughter, named Katharine, to be married to the prince Arthur; and she landed at Plymouth the 8th day of October, and [was] received into London in the most royal wise the 12th day of November, then Friday, and the Sunday following married at St. Paul's Church; and an halpace made of timber from the west door to the quire door, of 12 foot broad and 4 foot of height, and in the midst of the same married; and the feast holden in the Bishop's palace. And from London Bridge to Paul's in divers streets were made royal and costly pageants. And at the west door of Paul's was made a costly pageant, running wine, red, white, and claret, all the day of the marriage. And at the same triumph the King made 57 knights. And the Tuesday after, all the court removed to Westminster by water, and the marriage,* with all the crafts with them, in barge[s], with trumpets, shawms, and tabrets, in their best manner. And there the King held royal jousts, tourneys, and banquets six days after, and then removed to Richmond, &c."

* Sic.

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Examination of Fox, bishop of Winchester, by Ric. Wolman, archdeacon of Sudbury, on the 5th and 6th of April 1527, in the Bishop's chamber in the castle of Wolvesaye, in the city of Winchester, in the presence of Andrew Smith, notary. Says he is 79 years old; and it is now 41 years since he knew Henry VII. Knew prince Arthur, who was born in the priory of St. Swithin's, Winchester, and baptised in the monastery;—he being secretary to Henry VII., and present. Says he baptised Henry VIII. in the Church of the Observants at Greenwich. Remembers the entry of queen Katharine into London, and met her in St. George's Fields, and conducted her into London. Does not remember anything of the matrimonial contract between her and Arthur. Was present at the solemnization at St. Paul's. Thinks the contract was passed some time before. Thinks the Prince was of sufficient age for marriage, but cannot remember how old he was. Says they cohabited in the palace of the bishop of London, near St. Paul's, for about 14 days, and after that resided in Wales, to the Prince's death. After his death, negotiations took place for a marriage between Katharine and Henry, at which he was present, and had many conferences with Dr. De Peohebla, Spanish ambassador. Is not certain whether Henry VII. proposed the marriage. Thinks it was done by De Peohebla,—how long after the death of Arthur, cannot say. Does not recollect whether any writings took place. Says that frequent deliberations took place between the King's councillors, of whom he was one, in reference to the impediment. Thinks there was a contract between the two. Does not know the express age of the Prince. Is certain that a bull was obtained from the Pope, which was then thought sufficient for contracting the marriage and removing the impediment. Believes that various bulls were obtained, two of which remain in England, and one or two in Spain, all of the same tenor. On a copy of the bull being read to him, stating that Henry desired the marriage, and yet at the time of the bull he was a minor, believes the suggestion was a true one, so far as the peace of the two kingdoms was concerned; but whether the King desired the marriage at the time of the bull, says he does not know what the King's mind was. Says the bull was obtained by the ambassadors of the two kingdoms, and chiefly by Adrian cardinal St. Chrysogon. Does not suppose that the consent of Henry was asked about the bull, as he was then a minor. He cannot speak of his own knowledge, but he thinks that Henry desired the marriage, and that he loved Katharine for her excellent qualities. Does not remember that Henry, when he arrived at the age of puberty, expressly consented to or dissented from the marriage between himself and Katharine. He thinks, however, that a protestation was made, "quod dictus invictissimus princeps, non obstantibus prioribus sponsalibus inter ipsum et dictam clarissimam Catherinam factis, nec quibuscunque verbis aut douariis in ea parte intervenientibus, nec quod insimul in eadem domo et familia illustrissimi Henrici VII^mi, patris ipsius invictissimi Henrici octavi, in minore ejus ætate cohabitassent, tunc ad annos pubertatis perveniens, non intendebat obligari ad observationem hujusmodi sponsalium in minore ejus ætate contractorum, quam quod posset pro suo arbitrio accipere quamcunque vellet aliam sibi in uxorem." Thinks this protest is still to be found with Master Ryden, clerk of the Council. Does not remember that Henry VII. ever interdicted the Prince, after this protest, from showing signs of love to Katharine. Thinks the protest was made by command of Henry VII. Believes it was made before Ryden, the notary; and that either he, or Thomas Ruthall, or West, now bishop of Ely, drew it up, in the presence of the earl of Surrey, Dr. Peohebla, and princess Katharine, at Durham Place, in the suburbs of London. Does not remember that any public instrument was made of the protest. If so, it was delivered to Henry VII. Does not think any new dispensation was gained. Says he had many conferences with Henry VII. after the death f

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prince Arthur, and that his intention always was that Henry should marry Katharine; but the solemnization was put off on account of the disputes between the King and the king of Spain touching the re-demanding of the dote. Says he did not know that Henry VII. ever wished to marry the mother of the present Emperor (Joan), but he intended to marry Margaret duchess of Savoy. Asked if Henry VII. communicated to him any designs of other marriages for the Prince, after his protest, and whether he wished him to marry the sister of the king of Spain: says he never heard of such a wish. Refers him to the laws how far the bull must be deemed sufficient.

On the Bishop's declining to subscribe his deposition on account of his blindness, and none of his counsellors being allowed to be present, the said Ric. Wolman said he was instructed to sign it, if necessary, in the Bishop's name. Whereupon, out of deference to the King's command, he signed it.

Attestation by Augustine Spinola, cardinal and papal chamberlain, 27 Jan. 1529, 6 Clem. VII., of the breve granted by Julius II., 6 July 1504.*

Copy of the breve of Julius II. to Henry VII., 22 Feb. 1505.

Oath of Wriothesley.†

Sittings on Wednesday, 21 July.—Protest of Henry prince of Wales.‡

Sittings on Friday, 23 July.—Prorogation by Campeggio of the court to the 1st of October.

"Liber continens depositiones testium, et processum habitum coram Legatis.—Ricardus Watkyns, prothonotarius regius."

Lat., pp. 134, *imperfect at the commencement. Endd.*

814 Dd.XIII.26. Camb. MS. 2. Record of the proceedings at twelve sessions of the Papal Commissioners in the matter of the divorce of Catharine of Arragon.

24 July. R. O. **5792.** WM. BRABAZON to CRUMWELL.

Has finished the survey of Rumbrugh, for the temporalities, and has begun to see to the spiritualities in Cambridgeshire. Is now busy with Bromehill lands, and has gone to Ipswich for books for the survey. My Lord's college at Ipswich is going on prosperously, "and much of it above the ground, which is very curious work." Mr. Subdean takes the oversight of it, since the Dean's departure for London. He has stone and all necessaries, and they are working day and night. More has been done the last three weeks than for some time before. Ipswich, 24 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c. Mr. Thos. Crumwell. *Endd.*

26 July. R. O. **5793.** [WOLSEY] to the ABBOT OF RYVAULX.

Desires him to admit lord Conyers to the stewardship of Swadale, which was granted to him by the late Abbot, but which Wolsey hears the present Abbot intends to bestow elsewhere. Westminster, 26 July. *Not signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

26 July. R. O. St. P. IV. 567. **5794.** STRANGWAYS to WOLSEY.

Is directed by Wolsey's credence, sent by Carlisle Herald, to keep still in his house the lady Margaret, daughter of Angus, taking good heed to be sure of her, but giving her as much liberty as before. Has done so even before the commandment came, fearing she would be stolen into Scotland. Angus, when he first brought her, offered to pay both for her and her gentle-

* Partly printed by Herbert.

† Referred to by Herbert. ‡ In Herbert.

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woman; when he told him that as Wolsey was her godfather, and the Earl had no convenient place for her, he would do his best for her till he knew Wolsey's pleasure. Has informed Angus of Wolsey's command that he should keep her; and he was much pleased. Has had her, her gentlewoman and a man servant, for three months, without cost to my Lord. Berwick, 26 July.

Hol. Add. Endd.

26 July. **5795.** P. EARL OF ORMOND to WOLSEY.

R. O.

When Jas. Fitzgerot, Kildare's brother, murdered Rob. Talbot and rebelled against the King, Ormond pursued him out of the woods and mountains, killed many of his servants, and compelled the Irishmen who succoured him to put in pledges to give him no more aid. Driven to extremity, he took refuge in the county of Kildare, where he lay robbing and taking prisoners the King's subjects going to markets. Among others he took prisoner the bearer, Ric. Snowdon, of Coventry, merchant, riding to the market of the Naas, and kept him till he paid a ransom. Now that the said James is yielded to the King's commissioners, Snowdon has applied to them for redress, and also to Kildare, but without effect. "I have taken such castles and garrisons as the said James had, and have my wards in the same at my cost." Dublin, 26 July.

Has just been informed that Jas. Fitzgerot was preparing suddenly to have crossed the sea before the commissioners in the hope of obtaining his pardon. It would be a very bad example if he should have it lightly. He should be made to confess who caused him to commit the murder. Ormond's son James will explain further at his coming with the commissioners. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's grace. *Endd.*

26 July. **5796.** FRANCIS I. to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

MS. 5,499, p. 182, Bibl. Nat.

Has delayed sending news of the negotiations at Cambray till he heard what resolution was taken, that he might send a gentleman to narrate the whole to the king of England; but finding the negotiations had been protracted, although he hopes a conclusion will soon be come to, has despatched this post to inform Du Bellay that he is daily expecting news of the certainty of the business. On its conclusion will immediately despatch Langeais, whom before this negotiation he had ordered to come occasionally (*ordinairement*) from Madame to himself. Bryan arrived here yesterday, by whom he has been glad to learn of the King's good health, and the state of his affair.

As he has informed me that he has spoken of some letter to the seigneur De Tarbes, I have commanded the latter, besides the express commission which he has of me, not to omit a single thing which shall be in my power that may be of any service.

You are aware of the misfortune that has overtaken my cousin St. Pôl in Italy for want of succours from the confederates. Although his capture is of no small importance, there has been no other loss of men; but the whole army has withdrawn in safety to the Venetian camp at Cassay, where they await reinforcements, which I am sending, of lanceknights from France, with a good body of horse, which I hope to follow in person, "y passant l'Empereur avec tel equipage que j'espere sera contraire au plaisir de Dieu nous demeurera."

I have sent the viscount of Turaine, who was coming to Lyons as my lieutenant general, to take order in all things, which he has already begun to do, trusting to the good aid the King, my brother, will give me. I have news from Rome of the invasion of Hungary by the Turk, and of some

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conquests made by the Turks in Naples, where they have not only come before the gates of the city, but even to Ostia and Vuytaherbe, which is a great presumption that he intends to make some mighty effort this year that Christendom will not easily sustain. La Fere, 26 July 1529.
Fr., pp. 3. *From a transcript.*

27 July. **5797.** WOLSEY to BENNET, CASALE and VANNES.
R. O.
St. P. VII. 193.

Their letters, dated Rome, 9 July, arrived on the 22nd. The letters addressed to Campeggio were delivered to him. *The King thanks them for their efforts made to prevent the avocation of the cause. As to their advice that the cause should be prosecuted in England without delay, such discrepancy and contrariety of opinions have ensued here that the cause will be long delayed. In a week the process will have to cease, and two months' vacation ensue. Other counsels, therefore, are necessary, and it is important to act as if the avocation was granted. Campeggio writes with me to urge the Pope, if it must be granted, to qualify it; for if the King be cited to appear in person or by proxy, and his prerogative be interfered with, none of his subjects will tolerate it; or if he appears in Italy, it will be at the head of a formidable army. If, however, the avocation is merely intended to close my hands without preventing the King from taking any other remedy, it may be allowed to pass. A citation of the King to Rome, or threat of excommunication, is no more tolerable than the whole loss of the King's dignity. If, therefore, the Pope has granted any such avocation, it must be revoked. If it arrive here before such revocation, no mention of it shall be made, not even to the King. You are not to consume the time, but apply to this matter.*

The bishop of Worcester alleges that the brief in the Emperor's hands is evidently false, on the ground of the date, a nativitate Christi, which Campeggio asserts is reckoned a primo die Januarii. You are to sift this matter to the bottom, and consult with cardinal Ravenna upon it. As Worcester is now upon his way to Rome, Vannes is to return, and Bennet on Worcester's arrival. They are to remonstrate with the Pope on his unkindness, and on the breach of his promise that the cause should be tried in partibus and not avoked. They must urge him, therefore, to study how he can oblige the King, who is fully persuaded that his marriage is not good, and they shall urge that his desire to please the Emperor at all hazards will alienate this realm from the Holy See. Westm., 27 July. *Signed.*
Cipher.

28 July. **5798.** STEPHEN GARDINER to VANNES.
Vit. B. XI. 208**.
B. M.

Thanks him for his letters. However matters turn out, the King and Wolsey are pleased with his services. Will always be his friend. Goes to the Court for the first time today to enter upon his duties as secretary. Expects Vannes to bring the remainder of the bulls. Greenwich, July 28.
Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Begins:* "Mi Petre."

28 July. **5799.** HOLY CROSS, WHERWELL, Winc. dioc.
P. S.

Congé d'élire to the prioress or president of the said monastery, *vice* Avelena Cowdrey, last abbess. 19 July 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 July.
Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 20.

28 July. **5800.** SS. PETER AND PAUL, SHREWSBURY.

Assent to the election of Thos. Butler as abbot. Westm., 28 July.
Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 1.

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5801. WOLSEY to BRIAN TUKE.

Cal. D. XI. 15. B. M.

* * * "..... lovyng pro .... And by cause I nowe by m[y letters have made] answer to such poyntes [wherein the King's grace soli]sytyth to knowe my poore oppynyon and ..... made prevye thereunto, I do therefore forbere to mel ..... [an]y farther wryttyng, praying the Kyng an[d] ..... [to take] my poore fantesys in agreable parte for Mr. ..... e the French King hath solicited hym to th ..... lle wisdom for us to looke to our matters what s[oever is] seyd on the seyd French kynges part. And if there be non [more] aide in the treaty of Cambray for us then I do see yet, I [cannot] perceive but, the Emperor beyng enemy to the Kyng, the French kyng ..... of mervelous assistens, must be the same, nor it is nat to [be doubted] that *liberatis [filiis] et omnibus aliis conditionibus prius completis*, he will ..... enemy to th'Emperor for us. I pray you wey well [your] instructions, and pondyr the effect and mind of the [in]deyter (?), and writ ..... supplying the lacks by your wisdom, for ye can pyk ou[t better than any one else my] entent and meanyng. I pray God the same may [be] acceptable. And thus, Mr. Tuke, most heartily fare ye well."

Draft in Wolsey's hand; p. 1, badly mutilated.

30 July. **5802.** BRIAN TUKE to WOLSEY.

Titus, B. I. 286. B. M.

On coming today to the King, found with him lord Rochford and Mr. Stephens. The former had told the King that my lord of Worcester's letters to Nicholas Rustico had been deciphered last night, which was not so, but the King said nothing about it. Gave him the letter from Mr. Secretary and Sir Fras. Brian, which contained nothing but Brian's arrival at the French court, the declaration of his charge to the King, and the good answer he received; viz., that the King said that the money the Emperor should have of him would be spent in a year, and meanwhile he would fortify his frontiers, so that if the Emperor made war on the King for the divorce, he should be the better able to resist him. The King, lord Rochford and Mr. Stephens, liked this well. As to Albany's coming, the French king showed himself contented therewith, and that he would write to pensioners of his in Scotland to dissuade the alliance with the Emperor on pain of losing their pensions; that he had taken a Scot sent from Hungary to the king of Scots; that he would advise with the lady Regent at her return, and answer accordingly. Reckons the peace to be concluded, as the French king supposes the Emperor will spend the said money in a year, and that he will give them answer at my Lady's return. Thinks if the French pensions in Scotland are granted on condition of the holders doing what the King wishes, they are better given than taken away. In this letter was a reference to what Mr. Secretary had written secretly in a former letter, touching the matrimony, "trusting it were surely come to the King's hands." After this delivered the extract of cyphers from Worcester's letters, which was well accepted, "with good lawghyng at themperor's galies furnyshed with sheperds, and not able to be set forthe withoute they shulde be drawen at the taile of Andrewe Doria's galies." After presenting Campeggio's pollicitation, which was well liked, showed the whole discourse of everything, as Wolsey ordered him. Was better heard than Campeggio believed, especially in the point that he had no intelligence with the Queen; but there was not much said to it. Went on to say what Wolsey had done with the ambassadors of Venice and Ferrara. As to the quinqueremes and 50 galleys of the Venetians, Mr. Stephens said they had galleys enough, but no men to row them, and that their land army is not as great as is said. However, the King thinks they will hold their own. The King also heard the Venetian ambas-

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sador's news, that the Turk is probably in Hungary; and the King believes that Venice will take his side against the Emperor if need be. He then suddenly went away into an inner chamber, and Tuke had no time to ask him when he would see the Venetian ambassador, nor with whom of the Queen's folks Campeggio should speak, nor about his own books. Will find out tonight or tomorrow. Greenwich, 30 July, towards evening.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* To my lord Legate.

30 July. **5803.** YNIGO DE MENDOZA to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 410. B. M.

Wrote by the Comptroller all about the King and Cardinal. Has since written of the Queen's affair, and how the King had taken counsel of his servants, and she herself had refused [the jurisdiction of] the Legates and appealed. I have despatched a courier to Rome with power to your ambassadors there, which I hope will be of use. Sends a minute of what has since taken place in the matter. The Queen is much vexed, for she has taken all the medicine prescribed for her, and finds the remedy deferred. Her husband is more irritated than before, "con estos auctos," but she has firm hope that with your Majesty's aid the Pope will not delay justice longer. *The Queen has written to me that she perceives that all the King's anger at his ill success will be visited on Wolsey.* I am here on account of my oath not to leave Brabant until the English ambassadors are in France. I await every day this news that I may take my way to Italy. London, 30 July 1529.

Sp., modern copy, pp. 4. *One passage in the original is in cipher.*

30 July. **5804.** JOACHIM [HOCHSTETTER] to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Has furnished Stephen Gardiner and Peter Vannes with 3,000 gold ducats, to be repaid with interest to Antonio Bonvisi at London, or to Lucca (Luke), the writer's nephew. Venice, 30 July 1529. *Signed.*

Ital., p. 1. *Add.*

30 July. **5805.** SS. PETER AND PAUL, SHREWSBURY.

Restitution of temporalities on the election of Thos. Boteler as abbot, whose fealty is to be taken by Roland Lee, clk., LL.D. Westm., 30 July.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 1.

5806. [PALSGRAVE] to SIR THOS. MORE.

R. O.

Thanks More for his continued friendliness. Is more bound to him than to any man. "I beseech you for your accustomed goodness to continue until such time that I may once tread under foot this horrible monster, poverty, which hitherto hath been so homely with me that she hath made me ashamed of myself, and many a hundred times to forbear to do my duty to you because I was loth to come to your house with empty hand." Is informed by Sir William à Parr that the King asked the opinion of More and Dr. Stevyns whether the duke of Richmond should learn Greek and Latin,—in which they both approved Palsgrave's opinion. Has asked the opinions of Horman, Gonnell, Ryghtwyse, and others, and has read Quintiliane, Maphes Vegius, Otho Moguntinus, Baptista Guarinus, and especially Erasmus, who all agree in that. Thinks some would in no wise he should be learned; which were a pity, for no man, rich or poor, had ever better wit; and though every day more people call upon him "to bring his mind from learning, some to hear a cry at a hare, some to kill a buck with his bow,

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[PALSGRAVE] to SIR THOS. MORE—*cont.*

sometime with greyhounds, and sometime with buck-hounds, and that it is not lefull to depart till he hath taken the saye (?), some to see a flight with a hawk, some to ride a horse, which yet he is not greatly cumbered with, because of his youth, besides many other devices found within the house when he cannot go abroad." Trusts, however, with More's favor, to bring him to that learning of which he will approve. If any learned person come hither, whose report More may wish to have, hopes he will confirm the King in his purpose to make him love learning. Never suffers him to continue at any time till he is wearied, but tries always to make his studies pleasant, "in so much that many times his officers wot not whether I learn him or play with him." Has already, however, taught him the principles of grammar, both in Greek and Latin, and made him read the First Eclogue of Virgil, "and two of the first scenes of *Adelphorum*, which he can pronounce right prettily; but I find Quintilian and Erasmus true, for the barbarous tongue of him that taught him his matins is and hath been a great hindrance to me." Is determined to do his best for his pupil's age, "and albeit that some here which be high shaven murmur against it, and, after putting of many perils, let not to say that learning is a great hindrance to and displeasure to a nobleman, I hear them with Ulixes' ears." Hopes More will tell another tale to the King and my lord Cardinal. Beseeches God to send him long life; "and when your daughters disputed in philosophy afore the King's grace, I would it had been my fortune to be present."

Draft in Palsgrave's hand, pp. 2.

ii. The Same to Henry VIII.

Thanks the King for the consideration he has shown of his great charges, far above the value of his living, and his intention to amend it; of which Palsgrave has been informed by the letters of Sir John Nevill. Is determined to do his utmost to advance the duke of Richmond in learning. Is glad the King approves of his mode of instruction, and commits it entirely to Palsgrave's discretion. Thinks himself very fortunate to have the training of so excellent a young prince. Never knew his match in towardness. Promises "that according to [my] saying to you in the gallery at Hampton Court, I do my uttermost best to cause him to love learning, and to be merry at it; insomuch that without any manner fear or compulsion he hath already a great furtherance in the principles grammatical both of Greek and Latin." Has done his diligence to make him two books, "which, according to your Grace's pleasure showed unto me at Bridewell, he shall have very perfectly; for undoubted, not only Quintilianus, but also Mapheus Vegius, Otho Moguntinus, Baptista Guarinus, Erasmus, and universally all that have written *de Institutione puerorum*, be of the same opinion." Has also read him the First Eclogue of Virgil, and two scenes of the *Adelphi*, which he pronounces very well for his age. To bring this to pass was a matter of no small difficulty, as he who first taught him to read was no clerk, and did not know the true pronunciation of Latin; so that he fears it will be twelve months yet before he can cure him of his errors in saying the service. "And whereas he is something inclined to lisp, I trust now at the changing of his teeth to amend that default, but much might have been done thereunto at the beginning." As for the painter about whom Dr. Taite, the Duke's almoner, motioned the King, understands that the King intends otherwise to occupy him. Will instruct the bearer to make search to provide the Duke of a sufficient person. Hopes the King will allow him to ask some of the Privy Chamber till the matter may take effect. It is a great furtherance in learning to know the names of things by their pictures, and the want of a painter "causeth both him and me to stay."

Draft, in Palsgrave's hand, pp. 2.

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5807. [PALSGRAVE to LADY ELIZABETH TAILBOYS.]

R. O. Thanks her for her favorable letter. Had hoped, as he informed her Ladyship since coming to these parts, that when the King and my lord Cardinal understood the pains he had taken with my lord of Richmond and his great advance in learning, they would have enabled him to live suitably to the place in which they have put him. Told her also how he had been left free at the beginning by the counsel of Sir Ric. Wingfield, and that he feared he should not be able to abide if her Ladyship were not good to him.

Has suffered greatly since coming to Yorkshire, both from poverty and calumny. Six sundry articles have been contrived against him, in some of which her Ladyship was as guilty as he. It is but a sorry promotion, having foregone, in less than a twelvemonth, half what he has had in all his life, and got more trouble to defend his poor honesty than ever honest man had. Is determined, however, not "to be a knowyn thereof to no creature" but her Ladyship, but to persevere. Would not have mentioned it even to her, but that she might "substantially provide that the especial gifts of grace which God hath given unto my lord of Richmond's grace, far above that which you yourself could think, be not by malicious and evil-disposed persons corrupted." "But, Madam, to be plain with you, on my conscience my lord of Richmond is of as good a nature, as much inclined to all manner virtuous and honorable inclinations, as any babes living. Now is my room undoubted great about him; for the King's grace said unto me, in the presence of Master Parre and Master Paage, 'I deliver,' quod he, 'unto you three, my worldly jewel; you twain to have the guiding of his body, and thou, Palsgrave, to bring him up in virtue and learning.'" If, therefore, there be not faith and honesty in him, the King is much deceived in him, and the child's morals are in danger; but if others contrive matters against him in his presence, as though he were guilty, "the babes shall begin to despise me or ever he know me." Begs her to come hither, and inquire the truth for herself. All these despites arise from his poverty. Need not remind her how many bishops would be glad to grant her advowsons. Has fallen into a sore tertian fever.

Draft in Palsgrave's hand, pp. 3.

5808. JOHN PALSGRAVE.

R. O. "Instructions for Sir William Stevynson what he shall do for me, John Palsgrave, with the French queen's grace, and the duke of Suffolk her espouse."

1. That all he has to live by, to pay his debts, and support his mother, is little more than 50*l.* for Aldirton, "and Holbroke be but 20*l.*, Kayston 18*l.*, my prebend in Polles 4*l.*, and my wages 20 marks; and was indebted 92*l.*" Has resigned Aschefordeby, "and received afore the hand Holbroke, and all my wages to apparell me, and to bear my charges in my journey." 2. Master Humphrey Wyngfield told him himself he would give but 20*l.* for Holbroke, "where as I have already and shall have above 53*l.* of Sir John Maxwell," and could have had more but that Master Humphrey has the advowson. 3. If he resigned Aldirton and Holbroke for no more than 50*l.*, would be in great danger to fall all at once, or be obliged to resign Kayston; for if he had to wait a year for promotion from the King or my lord Cardinal, it would be another year before he got any profit of the benefice. 4. Stevynson must endeavor to borrow for him from the Duke 40 marks, or at least 30*l.*, on security of Aldyrton and Holdbroke. 5. If he cannot, must tell them he will be glad to resign all he has at their command, but when he cannot live otherwise he must come home again. (*This article is crossed out.*) 6. Will be content to resign Holbroke the next promotion he receives. 7. Is to tell the Queen he would be sorry to forsake the things he has in

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Suffolk, and beg her to remember his suit for the benefice of Kawston, in Norfolk. 8. In the last resource, must show his extreme poverty, and absolute need of help. (*This article scored out.*) *Signed:* Palsgrave.

Further instructions to resort to my lord Cardinal for a letter, even if Suffolk lend him some money; and how to deal with Master Humphrey Wyngfield, especially if he will not comply with the requests of Wolsey and Suffolk:—to make no end with Sir John unless he give an acquittance for dilapidations, pay down 20*l.*, and find surety for the rest, to be paid to Palsgrave's mother in London at Easter. Will bear all charges to the Bishop, "if he will not seek the whole country for one that will give most," &c. *Signed:* Jo. Palsgrave.

Hol., pp. 4.

5809. JOHN PALSGRAVE and THOS. CROMWELL.

R. O. Draft "obligation," by which John Palsgrave, M.A., undertakes to pay to Thos. Cromwell, of London, 7*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, on his procuring a papal bull under lead, called an union, for uniting the parish church of Alderton, Norwich dioc., to the prebend of Portpole, in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, before next Ascension Day.

P. 1.—*On the dorse are some memoranda;* viz., that Pursar had been twice to speak with "you;" that "you" had been inquired for by Mr. Ughtredd's servant, from Mr. Aleyn's and my lord George's servant, &c.

5810. WM. CLAIBURGH to CRUMWELL.

R. O. Wolsey desires Cromwell to come hither tonight with all the writings and books of both colleges, Oxford and Ipswich. Capon has just sent him word thereof. Kyngston, between 4 and 5 o'clock, Saturday.

Has sent for laces and caps for the writings, but he hopes Crumwell has provided, as he said he would. When both come they can take the best.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Thos. Crumwell.

5811. W. CAPON to CROMWELL.

R. O. My lord's Grace wishes to have the "ereccion" of the college at Ipswich by 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Sends two letters signed by my Lord; one for the "arogose," the other to the town of Depe.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Thos. Cromwell. *Endd.*

5812. THOMAS CROMWELL to [WILLIAM] CLEYBROKE.

R. O. Desires him to seek out the registers of Mr. Tonneys, and all other registers, and the bulls of my Lord's legacy, that they may be shown tonight to the King's attorney. Desires an answer by the bearer.

Hol., p. 1.

5813. WILLIAM CLAIBURGH to CROMWELL.

R. O. Never had in his custody the registers of Mr. Tunyes, or any other concerning preventions. Will do all he can to find them. Wishes him to meet him tomorrow at the Black Friars between 7 and 8 o'clock. Will tell him of the communication between the Lords and others.

Hol., p. 1. *Written on the back of the preceding letter.*

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5814. CHARLES V.†

Le Glay, Négotiations, II. 734.

Remonstrances to the Pope on behalf of the Emperor, justifying himself from the contraventions of the treaties of Madrid and Cambray imputed to him by Francis I.

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Charles desires to remain at peace, but is informed that Francis intends to practise in Germany and elsewhere against himself and his brother the king of Hungary. "On dye qu'il persuade et baille occasion par indécis moyens au différend qu'est du mariage d'entre le roy d'Angleterre et la Royne."
Fr.

5815. GRANTS in JULY 1529.

July.

GRANTS.

3. Wm. Boleyn, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Egillistlyse, Durham dioc. Bridewell, 1 July 21 Hen. VIII. *Teste* 3 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

4. Edw. Butt, clk. Presentation to the prebend in the parish church of Osmonderley, York dioc. *Teste* at Westm., 4 July anno 21.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

4. Ric. Hyll, serjeant of the Cellar. Grant of six tenements, called Charletons lands, in Bucklersbury, in the parish of St. Mary of Colchurch, London, lately belonging to Sir Ric. Charleton, attainted. Windsor, 1 June 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 1.

5. Sir Wm. Skevyngton of Skevyngton, Leic., master of the ordnance in England, Calais, Berwick, and elsewhere, Wm. Huxley, grocer, of London, and Geoffrey Huvys, keeper of the ordnance. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 5 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

6. Sir Nicholas Carewe, master of the King's horse. Confirmation of an indented deed of Sir John Daunce and Robt. Blagge, whereby they leased to Nich. Carewe and Elizabeth his wife certain lands, &c., and 5*s.* rent, in Walyngton, Carsalton, Bedyngton, Woddemershorne, Woddecote, and Micham, Essex. *Del.* Westm., 6 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

6. Ric. Legh. Reversion of the hospital of St. John the Baptist, Barnard's Castle, with 9 marks a year, granted to John Smyth by patent 15 Oct. 21 Hen. VII. *Del.* Westm., 6 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

6. John Sakvile of Wytheham, Suss., late sheriff of Surrey and Sussex. Pardon. Brydewell, 1 July 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 10.

6. Charles duke of Suffolk. Constat and exemplification, at the request of the said Duke, of patent 3 May 4 Hen. VIII., granting to Sir Charles Brandon the office of ranger of New Forest, Hants. Westm., 6 July.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 24.

7. Ralph Care *alias* Carrew, yeoman, of Wrenford, Northumb. Pardon for murder of John Wright *alias* Myller, of Glyndell, Northumb. York Place, 7 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 7 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 35.

7. Firmin du Boz, of Picardy. Licence to import 400 tuns of Toulouse woad. *Del.* Westm., 7 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

8. Sir Geo. Throkmarton. Custody of the manors of Hynwyke and Pabenham, Beds, and Francdysche, Northt., and of all lands, &c. in Harold, Beds, late of Thos. Tyringham, deceased, during the minority of Robt. s. and h. of the said Thos.; with wardship of the said Robt. Westm., 8 July.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 9.

8. Moylers Faye of Rathhangan. Pardon for offences committed in England and Ireland against the King. *Del.* Westm., 8 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 11.

8. Wm. Burdon. Presentation to the parish church of Bekyngham, Linc. dioc., *vice* Simon Yatis. *Del.* Westm., 8 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 24.

8. Nich. Lawe, clk. Presentation to the canonry of Fychys, in the collegiate church of St. Andrew, Bishop's Aukelond, in the bishopric of Durham. *Del.* Westm., 8 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 7.

9. John Turney. Licence to marry Cecilia, widow of Wm. Ingelby. *Del.* Westm., 9 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 26.

12. Sir Wm. Gascoygne, John Elmys, Nich. Harding, Robt. Latymer, Thos. Heyron, John Crosse, and John Duke. Pardon for having acquired, without licence, to themselves and the heirs of the said John Crosse, of Elizabeth Cornwayles, widow, and Sir John Cornewayles, and Mary his wife, the moiety of the manor of Stratheden. Westm., 12 July.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 27.

12. Owin Watson. Licence to alienate the manor of Penkerych, Staff., to Thos. Moneux, clk., Wm. Conyngesby, John Pakyngton, Nich. Willoughby, Henry Whyte,

† This paper is dated by Le Glay in February 1530, but the date is certainly erroneous.

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John Croke, Thos. Moreton, Humph. Bolland, Thos. Robyns, Nich. Tayler, Robt. Alford, Wm. Saye, Humph. Monoux, Ric. Vaughan, David Griffith, Ric. Monoux, and Thos. Weston, clk., to hold to them and their heirs for ever, to the use of George Monoux, and Anne his wife, in survivorship, and after their deaths to the use of the heirs of the said George for ever. Westm., 12 July.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 12.

12. George Monoux. Licence to alienate the manor of Penkerich, Staff., to Edward Lytleton, John Pakyngton, Nic. Willoughby, Humph. Monoux, Thos. Morton, Christ. Wescote, Henry Whyte, Humph. Bowland, Thos. Robyns, Nich. Taylour, and William Say, their heirs and assigns, for ever, to the use of Thos. Monoux, kinsman of the said George, and son of John Monoux of Bukton, Norf., and his heirs, for ever. Westm., 12 July.*—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

13. Sir Wm. Ascue. Inspeximus and confirmation of patent, 1 Aug. 37 Hen. III., granting to Hormann de Areti a market and fair at his manor of Stalyngburg, Linc. Westm., 13 July.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 27.

13. Thos. Stanley, lord Montegle. Livery of lands as s. and h. of Edw. Stanley, lord Montegle; of which lands Ranulph Poole, clk., Thos. Gerard, Wm. Molyneux, and Laurence Starky, were trustees at the time of the said Edward's death. *Del.* Westm., 13 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 22.

13. William Cockis, grocer, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Greenwich, 25 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 13 July.—P.S.

16. John Thurland, draper, of Beverley, Yorksh. Lease, in consideration of a fine of 100*s.* paid to John Bulkelay, receiver of Holderness, of two closes called Wranglond and Cowlond, in the manor of Brustwyk, Yorksh., for 21 years, at the annual rents of 80*s.* for Wranglond and 66*s.* 8*d.* for Cowlond. *Del.* Westm., 16 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

16. George Zouche. Livery of lands as s. and h. of Sir John Zouche. *Del.* Westm., 16 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 1.

16. Sir John Villers of Brokysby, Leic., John Lytherlonde of Brokysby, chaplain, Ric. Wormyngeham of Woodhouse, Leic., John Walker of Brokysby, Wm. Villers of Brokysby, Wm. Nobull of Brokysby. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 16 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

17. Ric. Wolman, LL.D., John Oliver, LL.D., John Savage and Jas. Clif, clks. Next presentation to the prebend of Yerton, in the collegiate church of St. Mary Magdalene, Brugnorth. *Del.* Westm., 17 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 7.

20. John Dewysbury, cordwainer, native of Dewysbury, in the duchy of Cleve, Germany. Denization for himself and the children of his body. Westm., 20 July.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 25.

21. Walter Cockys of Hackney, Midd. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 21 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 7.

21. Wm. Thynne, head clerk of the Kitchen. To be customer of wools, hides, and fleeces in the port of London, *vice* Wm. Uvedall. *Del.* Westm., 21 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

22. John Snyg, mercer, of Bristol. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Bridewell, 22 July 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 July.—P.S.

24. Roger Wigston. Lease of the site of the manor of Lighterne, parcel of Warwick's lands, Warw., with reservations for 21 years; at an annual rent of 11*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, and 13*s.* 4*d.* increase. *Del.* Westm., 24 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

24. John Underhill, clk. Presentation to the parsonage of Horpole, Linc. dioc., void by resignation of Robt. Gostewike. *Del.* Westm., 24 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 7.

26. Bryan Hygden, dean of York, Wm. Frankeleyn, archdeacon and chancellor of Durham, Sir Wm. Bulmere, Sir Wm. Parre, Sir Godfrey Fuljambe, Sir Wm. Evres, and Sir Thos. Tempest, councillors to the duke of Richmond and Somerset. Warrant to cancel all recognizances entered into before them in 17 Hen VIII. by any person in the county of York. Westm., 26 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

27. Geo. Bulleyn, squire of the body. To be governor of the hospital of St. Mary of Bethlem, near Bishopesgate, London. *Del.* Westm., 27 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 26.

28. Margaret Sprigonell, spinster, of Ryhell, York. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 28 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

28. Thos. Bullayne, viscount Rocheforde, king's councillor, Chr. Hall, attorney-at-law, Jas. Peckham and John Mascall, of Parva Charte, Kent. First presentation to the rectory of All Hallows *ad Fenum, alias* "the More," London. *Del.* Westm., 28 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

29. Simon Forniers. To be "le gonneston maker," in reversion after Ric. Scorer. *Del.* Westm., 29 July 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 6.

* This entry on the Patent Roll is cancelled, with the marginal note "Vacat quia aliter postea."

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5816. GARDINER to WOLSEY.

R. O. Last night reported Wolsey's answer to the King, who accepted it very well; especially Wolsey's saying that his intention was to have brought all to the King at the year's end, and that as yet he had received nothing, and that he considers that half year's rent to be due to the King, and not to himself. Has told lord Rocheford that Wolsey offers to write to those who were his officers in Durham, to pay here with all diligence the half year's rent due at Lady Day last. He thanks Wolsey, and says that as he does not wish it to be known that he had laboured for that half year's rent, he will be content to receive it from Wolsey, without making business with his officers for the receipt. If Wolsey wishes it to be thus, he had better make some arrangement for it tomorrow. Rocheford reckons it at "MCC." Did not say yea or nay, as he did not know whether Wolsey would like it. If not, he can give letters to the bearer, who is lord Rocheford's servant, so that it shall be paid before Bartholomew tide. Sends the bill signed by the King. Wishes it to be sealed and sent back. Greenwich, Sunday morning.

Sends also the King's "gists."

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's good grace. *Endd.*

1 Aug. **5817.** GARDINER to WOLSEY.

R. O. Since my last I have received letters from the Almoner out of Spain, directed to the King and you. I have presented all to the King. He would not break up your letters, but willed me to send them to you with the one directed to himself. He wishes you to show favor to John Coke, his registrar at Winchester. He says he has already spoken to you on the subject. Greenwich, Sunday, 1 Aug.

Master Treasurer moved the King how you were minded to receive him and his train at the More, and defray his charges.

Hol., p. 1. *Sealed. Add. Endd.*

5818. FRAGMENT OF INSTRUCTIONS to the AMBASSADORS [at Cambray].

Cal. D. XI. 19. B. M.

* * * "[s]peake ani st . . . . . the King's grace, but fin[ally] . . . . . thereof to stick unto his Hig[hness] . . . . . matter without binding . . . . . further capitulation of concurr . . . . . cion of his† ch . . . . . King's grace do remit the ha . . . . . pension due at May last past, and . . . . . of the great costs which he hath . . . . . that the French king was a . . . . . in levying and entertaining of m[en] . . . . . for the expedition of Italy this year . . . . . it shall peradventure be well given and . . . . . And as for lending of any more money . . . . . said lord Cardinal supposeth that i[t] shall not stand with the King's commodity so to do, and [if] it did, it should be no wisdom [to] have so great and mighty a prince [owing] unto his Highness so great and large s[ums of] money.

"This the said lord Card[inal] * * * agreeable part.

"[The]r must be also a remembra[nce of such sums of money] as is due unto his Grace sy[ns the conc]luding of the perpetual peace.

"And finally, the King's highness agreeing v[nto the] premises, or taking any other order ther[ein,] there must be a treaty by commissioners authoris[ed] on either party for the conclusion and perfectin[g] of the same."

Draft, mutilated.

† "his." This word is interlined in place of "the said French king's," struck out.

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5819. GARDINER to WOLSEY.

R. O. Showed the King this morning the pollicitation conceived by Campeggio, which his Highness said could not be better devised. Should have come in person; but the King, before he came, appointed him a chamber and allowance, and also gave him special orders not to leave, "with this addition, Nescitis neque diem neque horam." Greenwich, Wednesday afternoon.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's grace. *Endd.*

5820. CAMPEGGIO.

R. O. An engagement by Campeggio that he has not hitherto written or signified to the Pope or any one else, and will not write or signify, any opinion of the King's matrimonial cause by any person or in any way, or indicate what opinion he may be of in the same, or divulge any of the King's secrets at any time. Secondly, that on the avocation of the said cause, if the King objects, he will use all his efforts with the Pope, "ut nec a serenissima Regina permittat dictam causam prosequi aut tractari;" and he will do this, all reservation set aside. Thirdly, that he will do what is becoming in a sworn councillor of the King to advance the King's interests and dignity to the best of his abilities. London, Bath House, ...† *Signed and sealed.*

Lat., p. 1, *mutilated. Endorsed by the King:* Policitatio Campegii.

5821. STEPHEN GARDINER to WOLSEY.

Vit.B.XII.169. B. M. Showed to the King this morning the letters left by Master B[ryan ?]; told him how they came to Wolsey's hands, and his Grace's opinion about despatching the courier without altera[tion of the] letters devised; that Wolsey thought that the league between the Pope and the Emperor was the cause of despatching the advocation, and that probably there was a special article concerning it, with a general capitulation *pro defensione* . . . . . *et jurium.* The King agrees to all his opinions, and desires that the courier may be despatched without any innovation. The King wishes him to speak to Campeggio "concerning the . . . . . of the advocation according to his promise a . . . . . as now it appeareth to be granted and sent, [and that] he will use all ways and means possible [that it come] into his hands, or it come to the Queen's [sight] . . . . . it be possible, for his Highness feareth lest she w[ould not] facilely agree to the alteration, but use it as it m[aketh] most to her benefit." He, therefore, desires Wolsey to instruct Campeggio how to persuade the Q[ueen] "to be content to procure [that no] such thing be comprised in the said advocation [as shall] irritate the King's highness and his nobles, and [say that] a king in his own realm may not be violen[tly . . . . and] such other reasons" as Wolsey can add. The King has this greatly to heart, and sent for him twice while writing. The second time he asked for Campeggio's pollicitation, which Gardiner sent to Wolsey yesterday. He wishes to add to the sentence, "*quod nunquam dicet aut aperiet,*" "*quod hactenus non dixit nec aperuit,*" for he says that if Campeggio has already advertised the Pope, he may keep his promise, and yet the King's purpose be frustrate. Told him *quod facta pactis non mutantur,* and if he has already disclosed anything there is no remedy; but Gardiner had heard him say and swear to the contrary. Said that Wolsey could easily find out, but it could not well be inserted in the pollicitation; to which the King agreed, and desired Wolsey to remember it in his conversation with Campeggio.

† Date lost by mutilation.

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The King has sent for the French ambassador to tell him the news of the league between the Pope and the Emperor, and of the Emperor's descent into Italy. He desires Wolsey to show the same to the ambassadors of Venice and Ferrara, and to tell them that this league is made *in capita ipsorum*, and that they must [look] unto it earnestly in time. Would gladly come to Wolsey, but dares not. Greenwich, this Mo[nday?]

Hol., pp. 3, *mutilated. Add. Endd.*

5822. TUNSTALL, HACKET AND OTHERS to [HENRY VIII.]

Cal. D. XI. 71. B. M.

* * * "[l]est they s . . . . . saying that the obligations . . . . . re and not revived nor renewed in any t . . . . . se albeit we told them not so, we intend if . . . . . some clause for your debts between them and us in . . . . . [pay]ment by the French king for any cause aforesaid, how[beit] we shall have much to do to bring them thereto. After this we [talked] of your indemnity, and of the sums of money to your Grac[e owed] by the Emperor, and to reckon how much it might amount u[nto], whereof they made with us none other sticking but that it could be . . . . . longer to endure the payment thereof than unto the intimation of th[e war] unto the Emperor. And after a great sum made, thereupon they [told] us that the Frenchmen and they were agreed and fully accorded t[hat the] French king should discharge the Emperor of that indemnity, how [great] soever it were, [will]ing us to treat with the Frenchmen thereupon, wh[o they] were sure would satisfy us as they were bound to do hereupon . . . . . to demand the penalty of breach of the marriage. Whereupon we had . . . . and likewise of the demand of Tournay, and after much reasoni[ng on both] sides of those two matters, nothing agreeing in any point either in [one or] the other, put over these two matters unto we should have communed of the * * * of the clock like as we did . . . . . [in]trecourse, and after overture made by us . . . . . was before the war, they said that that wa . . . . . and many of their subjects did complain, and it tou . . . . . he must be heard in it, as well upon the one side as on the o[ther, and that my] Lady in that matter had no sufficient commission, but must adver[tise the Em]-peror, wherefore that matter must be put in a surceance unto hi[s pleasure be h]ere known." Answered, that we marvelled that they should make any sticking or question therein. If they did, it was as much as to say that they would have no amity with the King. Particular matters might be either remitted to justice, in the place where they pretend to be wronged, or else be ordered at a diet; but the general treatise of intercourse could *not* be deferred, but must be ordered with the treaty of peace, whereof the intercourse is a great part, for there could be no peace between the princes if the people did not know how to deal with each other * * * . . . . . journey as they did . . . . . they might write to the Emperor and . . . . . [m]atter to be reasonably and indifferently ordered . . . . . ted by the Princes therefore. Whereunto, after a little [consultation am]ong us, we gave them a short and plain answer . . . . . disposed to renovell the intercourse as well as the amity, and [in] s[uch] case as it was before the war, your Highness, for the great ze[al you] bear unto peace, had sent us to conclude it; and on the other sid[e, for] anything of the intercourse, we had no commandment of your [Grace to] agree to nother." They said they would relate this to the lady Margaret, and inform us of her pleasure on the morrow. Told the French chancellor what we had done. He thought the motion very unreasonable, and said he tr[usted they] would come to some

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better point on the morrow. This morning, found all the Imperialists assembled, except Mons. de Berges, who, by r[eason of the] rainy weather, was accrased and diseased, "and there the lor[d] . . . . . declared unto us that he and other of the Council had made re[lation] * * * to move unto us th . . . . . come to some good point, howbe[it] . . . . . said that the lady Margaret thought it ver[y] . . . . . so press her therein as though we would force th . . . . . te unto us those things which now are clear at his lib[erty] . . . . . forfeited from us by the intimation of the war. And whe[reas she had no] power nor commission to speak, which, notwithstanding for the q . . . . . ace, she would be content to conclude the amity," and had already taken reasonable order for the debts, and would further be content to take a surceance of six months, during which the subjects might occupy together as they have used before; the Emperor and the King might then give commissions for a diet to be held to take further order. Asked whether they brought this from the lady Margaret for a resolute answer; to which Hostrate said, yea, for it was the answer upon which she had resolved with the Council. Told them that we marvelled that the lady Margaret should think it strange that we should stick for * * * part of that . . . . . when they might not be freely c . . . . . after that accustomed manner. And as touch[ing the] . . . . . s thereof, will as well bear the matter as it will . . . . . endauntys of the peace concluded between the French . . . . . And over that we showed them that at our first coming [unto the lady] Margaret, we did, among other things, as well mention unto [her the intercourse] as the peace and amity; so that she needeth not now so [marvellously] think it strange to hear speak of the intercourse, nor to lay t[he fault upon the com]mission, in which, if they had found any such faults, th[ey would] have told unto us in the beginning, and not have kept us [here a] month for nought. Whereunto they answered that forasmuch [as, after] their demand and question asked us, we showed them that [we could] not conclude any peace with them, but if the French king had h . . . . . also therefore they determined no further to commune with us [until the] Frenchmen and they were accorded, and that they ha[d forborne] to tell us this matter before. And they said that sithens the [Emperor] was as well king of Spain as lord of these Low Count[ries it] should be peradventure his pleasure not to conclude any * * * the one part to take a . . . . . at large; whereupon it was answ[ered] . . . . . ation for the Emperor never did nor convenie . . . . . [your Gr]ace and your people one treaty of intercourse, for the . . . . . and customs being so divers the one from the other . . . . . self neither as king of Spain having any authority in thie[s Low Coun]tries, nor as lords of any of the Low Countries having any auct[ority in] Spain." Besides, he can make no intercourse for Spain, except in his mother's name as well as his own. Then they said that lady Margaret was not advertised before that any man would come to this diet from the King; and if she had been, she might have provided a commission, but, being destitute of one, she cannot treat. Told them that "I, John Hackett," gave them warning thereof at Valenciennes, and that her commission was good enough, and might be further helped w[ith] a clause *de rato* and a covenant of a confirmation. They replied that she might not so covenant, as the privileges were forfeited by the intimation of war, "[an]d that your Grace and the French king had done all that ye could * * * . . . . . [t]he morrow being the th . . . . . [coun]saill and we met together again. At . . . . . .

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. . . . . an article in writing concerning thenterco[urse] . . . . . de that the lady Margaret by deliberation taken by . . . . . [r]esolved [herse]lf upon as the utterest and final point [which she coul]de condescend unto, which article was indeed such as the [same woul]de, if it had been agreed, have stond your subjects in little ste[ad] . . . . . thereupon after long debating they condescended in conclusion that [the F]rench [coun]saill should see that article of their making, and the article al[so] which we had devised; and that thereupon we should further experime[nt] whether we could come to any nearer point. Whereupon s[ince] that time we have had divers meetings, as well in presence of the [Frenc]he counsa[ill] as apart, and the Imperials have brought in concerning the intercourse dy[vers c]hanges, and ever the longer the worse. Whereupon we had such business [with] them, and founden them so stiffly set upon the sore impairing of the interco[urse], that surely, for aught we can perceive, we could never have taken an[y reas]onable end with them but they would plainly have broken with us for . . ." * * *

P.S.—"As we were about to have fold up thie[s letters, the] Chancellor, the Great Master, and the French counsa[ill sent for us], and at our coming showed unto us that the Great M[aster had] informed my lady Regent of the manner of the departi[ng] between the Emperor's council and us, and that him se[lf had] thereupon by her commandment spoken with the lord Hokstra[t in her] name, showing him expressly that without an end taken [in this] contentation, there should nothing go forthward, which h[ad been] accorded between them, but that the French king would rather [give up] the peace, and never have his children home, than take and [have] his peace without agreeable end by us taken for your Highn[ess. He] showed us further that the Lord Master had answer aga[in from the] lord Hokstrat that the lady Margaret was minded to take * * * old intercourse . . . . . they should break off in like wise . . . . . [Wh]erof we most heartily thanked them on your [behalf, and d]eparted. And in this case standeth the affairs [at present,] [unless] God better them, as we trust he shall." Howbeit, in ca[se] the diet should break up without peace being concluded, we intend to depart with the lady Regent, and come home by France, not by Flanders.

The Chancellor, the Gr[eat] Master, and the French council have divers times been in hand with us for some capitulation between the two Kings in case the Emperor should not perform his covenants nor deliver the children; to which we have always made fair and courteous answers, without showing them that there is no cause so to do, because we are not sure what need we might happen to have. Have told them that we doubt not Francis will find the King as willing as he can wish.

"As we shall see the matters proceed, we shall furth[er] * * * [t]hre months and th . . . . . the space of that three months i . . . . . rse together. Whereunto we answered that . . . . . be taken, the matter could be little amended fo . . . . . edy; whereunto said the lord Fynes that the truce w . . . . . three parties, and they concluding peace with France whi . . . . . the parties, the truce were dissolved, seeming thereby tha[t they would] make us a demonstration, and a fear that France and they s[hould] conclude without us. We answered them that if peace were [made by] one, it breaketh not the truce between the remnant; howb[eit whether] they should make, break, or conclude, we neither could nor would conclude one or other except the articles which we first p[roposed], that is to wit, the amity, the debt, and the intercourse hole [and] unchanged. Now after our departing from them we [went] this afternoon to the Chancellor, the Great Master, and [the

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French] council, recounting unto them all the premises at len[gth ; where]-upon they made us answer that they would make report [unto] my lady Regent, and that they were sure that she would [commune] with the lady Margaret thereof, whereupon they trusted * * *
. . . . . would make a peace with us worse t . . . . . .
. . . . . intimation, our people and theirs have b . . . . . .
. . . . . were before by the space of two year which . . . . . .
. . . . s peace they would that they should never be again p. . . . . .
. . . . [s]ix months ; which surceance of six months, though th[ey should ma]ke it a surceance for 6 years, and for 600 years after, [yet w]e had no power to conclude it, nor to limit it to any day, nor . . . . . nally concerning the intercourse any other thing to do than to renove[l i]t, and put it in the former terms without one syllable changed ; wher[fore] sithens they had given this unto us for a resolute answer that the[y] might not meddle with the intercourse, they should if they would stond . . . . thereby take this for our resolute answer again, that we could no[t] meddle with their amity, whereof we desired them to advertise the la[dy] Margaret, and that if she would give us none other answer, that then we might know her pleasure whether she would admit us to her presence to take our leave at her, which, if it liked her not, we desired them to make our humble recommendations unto her ; which [they] said they would, and that they would also send us word the * * * Guy[l]ders to make . . .
. . . . . he had said he could show by your . . . . . .
. . . . [Whereu]nto we answered that as touching the . . . . . .
[your] Grace had not done it but upon great considerat[ion] . . . . . .
. . . . . r of such treaties as your Grace had made with the . . . . . .
for the observing of your part had been at immeasurea[ble] charge, hurt, and travail of your people, yet was ther . . . . . part almost never of one article nor appointment kept, w[hereof we] might well at large enter into many a great speciality, w[ere it not] that your Highness had sent us hither for the furtherance and [aid] of peace, and not to enter into the requiting of any displeasa[unce] or exprobation of your gratuity and kindness ; and yet all [this not]withstanding your Grace never intimated the war but for a godly purpose, for conducing the peace, as hath well appe[ared by] your Grace's proceedings after the intimation made, which [if the] Lords well esteemed, they should well find not so much [to] the Emperor's harm as to the saving of his and their con[tries, how]soever it liked the duke of Guylders thus to lie for his pl . . . . . far as ever any of us had heard we durst well * * *

Pp. 12, *mutilated.*

3 Aug. **5823.** STEPHEN VAUGHAN to CRUMWELL.

R. O. The master governor is angry with him because the merchants at their accustomed election gave Vaughan 40*l.* Fl. a year, and when he himself asked for a reward gave him only 20*l.* in addition to the 20*l.* from the Coldemart. He has procured the lewdest woman and harlot in the land to accuse Vaughan of heresy. Has written to the bishop of London and Mr. More, who have commissioned him to search for heretics, and make them give surety to appear in London, or else go to prison. He then called persons to testify to Vaughan's deeds, but they swore they knew no such thing. Vaughan's friends then compelled him to produce his other witnesses to justify himself. He called "the honest woman mine accuser," who swore she knew nothing about him. "There is place of justice where I could be right well avenged, were it not that God willed me to refer the same to him." Antwerp, 3 Aug.

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Has searched for some goodly things for Crumwell, but can find none. Wishes to know what he desires.

Pp. 2. *Hol. Add.:* To his right worshipful master, Mr. Crumwell in London. *Endd.*

Aug. **5824.** CUTHBERT [TUNSTAL] BP. OF LONDON, MORE and HACKET to HENRY VIII.

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"[Please it] your Grace, by the French king . . . . . every payment six months after other . . . . . e of November, after the delivery of their ch . . . . . e shall in March next in every payment to be pai[d] . . . . . [crow]nes of the sun for three first payments: the fourth pay[ment to be] 30,000 angelotts, or the value in crowns of the sun; [the fifth] payment to be all the residue, that is to say, 10,000 ang[elotts] . . . . 35,000 cr., or the value in cr. of the sun. An[d as for] your fleur de lys that ye have in pledge, we have left it to be accor[ded] by your Grace to put what days of payment ye shall think conv[enient]; but surely we think they will make great instance in alleging [their] necessity at this time, which we think to be unfeigned; albeit in [discourse] here late of their matters with the Imperials they bragged that they were . . . . . so rich to maintain their estate, but the contrary doth appear . . . . . they cannot furnish the money to be paid before March next o . . . . . should take money by exchange of merchants paying them th . . . . . which if they should do, considering the dearth and scarceness . . . . . now being in the world, would make the French king's raun[som] . . . . . that pledge your Graces . . . . . ye will, the longer ye give the more p . . . . . and in the short the more strain them.

"[Afte]r our last letters were closed and gone with the post, we found . . . . . [h]alf a leaf to have been left out for haste of the writer, which [was so h]astie to write the part of postscripta that he left out a piece of . . . . . of our letter of the 2nd of August, wherein was contained our adverti[sement] and advice in a matter moved unto us by the French council."

Have always kept within the terms of their answer given at that time. The whole advertisement, of which only the beginning, and that imperfect, is in their letters, is as follows. The Chancellor, Great Master, and the Council have divers times been in hand with them again for a capitulation for the mutual concurrence of the two Kings in case the Emperor should not perform his covenants, ... should so do because we were . . . . . e to have of them as it now seemeth to ha . . . . . [we sho]wed them that we doubt not but that your good [brother will find your] Grace as willing as he can wish to anything that h[e may req]uire as he hath already of your Grace's manifold gratuities . . . . . experience, and we showed them, according to your Grace's most . . . . . instructions, what peril might insurge if any capitulation of con[currence] of the war should be mentioned or spoken of here, and that w[hat] were requisite to be done concerning such concurrence was more . . . . . after the peace concluded and this diet absolved to be treated by y . . . . . abiding each with other; with which our answer the Chancellor an[d the] French council appeared but meanly satisfied, for the Chancellor a[nswered] somewhat warmly that by this mean they should lose the force of th . . . . . *de bello offensivo;* at which words the Great Master and other of [the] Council communed secretly with him; and after that the Great M[aster] said that there was no doubt of your Grace's goodness, and that [your] brother the French king understood that by the good hearty me . . . . . your said good brother . . . . . y

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to your Grace, which, as we hear say, sh . . . . . se and what other message that he shall have . . . . . part of his errand shall be for the forementioned . . . . . hereof we have thought it necessary to advertise your Gr[ace] . . . . [th]at using your accustomed prudence ye neither put them at the . . . . . despair of your concurrence, nor enter presently to any treaty . . . . . whereof you might wish afterwards to be discharged. As we [shall] see the matters proceed,. we shall further advertise your Grace with [all] diligence." Cambray, 2 Aug.

Have thus redintegrated their late letter. Repeat it that the King may see that the French king intends probably to press for a capitulation for mutual concurrence in the war "in case the . . . . . *de bello offensivo* stondith . . . . . trust and think the contrary, yet made . . . . . but that we had not the words of the treaties . . . . . [we thou]ght it not good to fall into any such disputions (*sic*) with them, [lest it sh]old appear unto them that we reckoned your Grace discharge[d, or] that your Grace gladly so would be."

Have taken leave of lady Margaret, who dismissed them with demonstrations of affection [to] the King, and determination to entertain the peace and amity between him and the Emperor. Took leave of the lady Regent, not intending to tarry for the King's coming to Cambray, as they heard that he intended to come secretly; but she desired them to stay for his coming, for she knew he would be glad to speak with them. "Whereupon this day we have . . . . him, who gave us very hearty thanks for our good and . . . . . rred with us, and thus . . . . . to your Highness in very benign manner . . . . . he we took our leave of the lady Regent in . . . . . iously and most humbly recommended her unto yo[ur Grace, with] very great testification of your singular goodness both sh[owed unto the] King her son in his captivity, and often sithens from ty[me to tyme re]newed, and now specially at this present diet well shewed . . . . . servants fastly concurring with the King her son and his council for the concluding of the peace and deliverance of the King's children, which . . . . . else she recognised, and said had not been brought to so good a point . . . . . but she said she reckoned, and so did the King her son also, that your Grace was the cause first of his own deliverance, and now shall be by God's grace the deliverer of his children also, which shall eve[r] as they grow more and more in age, so more and more knowledge the[m]self deeply bounden and beholden unto you. And with these words and such other, in very benign manner, she bade us farewell. And thus therefore to morrow, God willing, or else as soon after as we can get carriage for our stuff, which is here at this time very hard to [get,] we intend to take our journey homewards towards * * * folding up this letter, the lady [Margaret sent us word by a gentlem]an of her chamber that the Emperor w . . . . . [which] God turn, if it be true to the wealth and com[modity] . . . . . ." *Signed.*

Pp. 7, *mutilated. Add. Endd.:* . . . . . [a]t the diet of Cambray, ... [Au]guste.

4 Aug. R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. 1. 345.

5825. GARDINER to WOLSEY.

Has read his letter to the King, received last night, except the latter part of it concerning the king of Denmark. Since the King's resolve to visit the More he has heard that the sweat has been thereabouts this year. "The only name and view whereof is too terrible and fearful to his Highness' ears that he dare in no wise approach unto the place where it is noised to have been." He will instead visit Tittenhanger;—intends leaving Barnet for

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that purpose, Saturday se'nnight. As Wolsey will at that time be removing with his company to St. Alban's, the King thinks that Tittenhanger will be large enough for him. Wolsey's letter to Strangwish was well accepted. Waltham, 4 Aug.
Hol. Add. Endd.

4 Aug. Galba, B. IX. 134. B.M.

5826. INIGO DE MENDOÇA, BISHOP OF BURGOS, to [WOLSEY].

Hears that the English ambassadors in Spain have been allowed to go to France. Will now leave this place unless the King or Wolsey wish anything more from him. Antwerp, 4 Aug. 1528. *Signed.*
Lat., p. 1.

4 Aug. Add. MS. 28,579, f. 20. B. M.

5827. MAI to CHARLES V.

On the 19th June, a *signatura* was intimated, and I was with the Pope, beseeching him to revoke the cause of the divorce from England. He said he perceived it would disturb the peace that was treating at Cambray, where, perhaps, the affair might be treated by itself. I said I thought the contrary; for the king of England, finding himself undeceived in that he must proceed by justice, and not hope to do it by favour and bribery, "*se començaria a conortar dello;*" and it appeared to me this was a great blow that his Holiness gave to the peace. Nothing has been done since, because the Pope had a relapse on the 21st. The king of England has sent a lawyer hither as his ambassador,—I don't know if he be of his council,—for whom the other ambassadors here are waiting; and the Pope has told me he is a very great lawyer, and comes on this business. I besought his Holiness that he should call us hither, and that, great lawyer as he was, his Holiness should there declare for justice. With him came another doctor, named Silvester Darius, who has come to be auditor of the Rota; he already has the mandate; and it is said that the bishop of Torba (Tarbes) also is coming to favour this cause. The Pope also told me that they had petitioned him that a new decretal should be made in prejudice of the poor Queen. I told him he might see their regard for justice when they made such demands.

On the 9th July I received by a courier from Madame the procuration which the Queen has made for me to procure the revocation; and Don Ynigo writes that it has been obtained with much trouble, but, now that we have it, we shall speak plain. He has also written how the King declared publicly that the Pope had lately given a commission to the Legates to proceed in the cause, and had said to the Queen that she should make ready for her defence. On receiving this letter I went and read it to the Cardinals Sanctorum Quatuor and Ancona, who are commonly fathers of the *signatura*, and left them pretty well satisfied.

I then complained to the Pope very strongly, and read the letters to him, in order that he should promise to revoke the cause and to hold the *signatura*. I said that not to wish to hold it was not to wish to revoke the cause, and to keep your Majesty for ever in suspense. He made excuses, as on former occasions, by his illness, "y con el fin de bien, y Dios quiere que como Jacobo Salviati tiene poca bondad tambien tiene poco seso para saber cobrir sus trampas." He said he wished to show me the minute of the letter they had written to Campeggio; and I saw the most stupid and knavish letter that could be concocted in Hell, "porque decia que nunca dijese que no queria declarar en la causa sino que los entretuviese, aunque esto venden ellos por bueno, porque si dijera que no queria declarar el Eboracense, sola la declarara en virtud de la comision que va a los dos o al uno dellos, tambien decia que si no podia executarlo que precediese en la causa hasta sentencia, y que antes de sentenciarlo consultase, y que si era posible disimulase esta orden, porque el reyno se desganase." On seeing this, Andrea del Burgo and

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I lost patience. I said I would not write this to your Majesty, for fear of disturbing more valuable things than the peace; but I begged him to bear with me when I said that this letter was contrary to the promise he had repeatedly made to your Majesty and the Cardinal S. Crucis that he would in good faith revoke the cause. To write now that they should proceed in it was a worse injury than the original sending of Campeggio; and I said your Majesty could in no wise suffer it, as it was against the honor of yourself and the kings of Hungary and Portugal, and much more that of his Holiness, &c.

Urged the Pope once more, by these and other arguments, to revoke the cause, as did also Andrea del Burgo on the part of the king of Hungary.

On the 10th July there came to his hands a copy of a letter written from England on the 21st June, in which it was stated that they had already commenced the cause and done three acts, that the Queen's appeal had been rejected, and that she had been declared contumacious. Went immediately to the Pope with Micer Andrea to complain of these proceedings, urging him without delay to intimate a *signatura* and revoke the cause. With this he complied; and on the 13th, notwithstanding the direct and indirect opposition of the English, it was concluded in *signatura* that the cause should be revoked. God grant they may give it us with a clause *de decreto irritante*, annulling all that has been done. Del Burgo and I, and all Rome, are as glad as if it was the particular cause of each of us.

The Pope, for his better discharge, wished to pass it in a Consistory of the Cardinals. Thus three more days were lost, during which the English ambassadors entered into a design that these acts should not be intimated here or in Flanders, but should be sent to the Queen; and as they have good luck in their follies, they found means to be believed (*hallaron aparejo de ser creidos*). The Pope intimated this to me, and I said it could not be, and that this was a device to prevent the poor Queen daring to present herself. I prayed the Pope that he would forbear to favor "these strange proceedings" (*estas strañedades*), and affix (*afixar*) the citation here and in Flanders, according to usage, and afterwards send it.

The day before the Consistory was to be held we were told by St. Quatuor the Pope was unwell, and that his Holiness "no estaba para tener Consistorio otro dia que viesemos si queriamos que esto se enviase a la Reina y que nos lo darian sin pasar por Consistorio." Micer Andrea and I nearly lost (*hobimos de perder*) patience once more, and after much discussion insisted on one of three things, viz., 1, either that they should give us the revocation without passing it in Consistory, to do therewith what is right according to custom, as they wished to give it, doing that which the English requested, which was unjust and artful; or, 2, that the Pope, ill as he was, should hold a Consistory, or, if not by himself, that it should be done by a Congregation, as the thing is called when the Pope is not present; or, 3, that they should set us right (*nos desengañasen*), because we promised them that nothing more should be said of this cause in Rome, and if they did not mean to do justice your Majesty would find other methods. St. Quatuor went up to the Pope, and a Congregation was appointed for next day (*el otro dia*). The matter at length proceeded so well that they found the cause should be revoked and committed to the Rota; and they spoke much of its disgraceful character (*en la indignidad della*).

The cause is now safe, thank God; for all they have done there will be revoked hither under three heads: 1, by the *litis pendentia* alleged by the Queen; 2, by the appeal *por via de attentado* (against the proceedings as being unwarranted); and, 3, by the clause *del decreto irritante*. It is committed to the dean of the auditors, Micer Paulo Capisucio, by whom I feel sure of justice; "y aun de asentado arbitrios que antes que se la hiciese cometer me

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asegure bien del con medio del cardenal Cesarino y de otros." The English ambassadors have not forborne to press the same thing: "despues que la citacion se inviase a la Señora Reina, y vino uno dellos aqui y desengañele, y tambien al Papa que me hablo sobre ello, el qual postreramente me dixo que hiciese lo que me parescia."

With this will be sent (*con esto se hicieron*) six duplicates of the acts; for I know that we have taken the steps, and one has been affixed here in Rome, on the 23rd. Two are to be affixed in Flanders;—the one at Bruges, and the other at Dunkirk. The rest I shall send by different ways to Madame, to be transmitted to the Queen, or to whomsoever may be thought best.

There came with De Praet a gentleman of the Queen, who joined him at Genoa, and who brought me letters from her Highness, with a copy of the acts done there, enjoining me to procure revocation. As it was already obtained he left yesterday for Germany, with a duplicate of these despatches. Will send others to the bishop of Capua for the lady Margaret. The Pope also writes to Campeggio, but he has behaved so badly in this matter that nothing could have been worse, and so I told him plainly about one letter he showed me.

I have spoken with the Pope, the cardinal of Ancona, and the English ambassador, advising that a brief should be sent to the King, exhorting him to live with his wife, and supplying any defects that may exist in the dispensations, and commending him for his past efforts to ascertain the truth, for the safety of his conscience; but since the cause has to be removed from England, he will by this course the better remove suspicions as to his past conduct, and earn for himself the name of a just and conscientious man. I do not know if they have sent it, but, if so, I believe they have all agreed that it should be secret, "por reputacion del negocio."

Letters from England say that they were hurrying on the affair, either that Wolsey might go afterwards to Cambray, or for fear of the revocation. The latter cause is more likely, because they have already commissioned the bishop of London to go to Cambray. They also write that on the 29th June the bishop of Rochester, a very learned and holy man, had prayed publicly, and said that he was now an old man, and had studied this cause, and for discharge of his conscience he declared it a valid marriage, which only God could dissolve. Many affirmed the same opinion; and it may be that, seeing this, they will hesitate to proceed in the sentence, though I doubt it from what Campeggio writes.

I am now going to try and obtain the writings (*scripturas*) of Staphileo, a doctor of the Rota, who is dead, and who was the author of that absurdity, to see on what they founded themselves, and also those which the Pope has, and which they have sent him. It is now known why the English did not wish the edicts to be affixed;—not merely to gain time, as I thought, but for fear of the people, who wish well to the Queen, as the edicts make mention of the injuries and constraint to which she is subjected.

An Imperial captain has taken a post with a number of letters which I gave to De Praet. Among them was one from the English ambassadors at Venice, saying that care ought to be taken lest the citation and inhibition should be sent. I have sent one despatch of all this by a gentleman of the Queen, who has now left; another by Genoa, to Figueroa; another to the archduke of Capua, under cover from the Pope, to be given to Madame. Rome, 4 Aug.

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4 Aug. **5828.** NOTLEY ABBEY.

Restitution of temporalties to the Augustinian monastery of Notley, Linc. dioc., on the election of Richard Ridge as abbot. Westm., 4 Aug.

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5829. TREATY OF CAMBRAY.

1. Attestation, by the town of Cambray, of the letters of Charles V., dated Saragossa, 8 April 1529, by which he promises to ratify any arrangements made between Margaret of Savoy and Louise of Angoulême. 4 Aug. 1529.
French. Vellum. Seal lost.

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Rym. XIV. 326.

2. Treaty of Cambray. Cambray, 5 Aug. 1529.
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3. Notarial attestation of the mutual oaths to the treaty of Cambray, of Margaret of Savoy on the part of Charles V., and of Cuthbert bishop of London, Sir Thos. More and John Hacket, on the part of England. St. Mary's, Cambray, 5 Aug. 1529.
Vellum.

Galba, B. IX. 212.
B. M.

4. Draft of the English counterpart of the preamble to the treaty of Cambray, and also of the conclusion. Cambray, 5 Aug. 1529.
Lat., pp. 3.

R. O.

5. Articles of the treaty between Henry VIII. and Charles V. made at Cambray, with a separate article for mutual defence and aid.
Lat., modern copy, pp. 4.

R. O.
Rym. XIV. 327.

6. The second and third articles of the treaty of Cambray.
Fr., pp. 4.

Galba, B. IX. 226.
B. M.

7. "Considerandum est cum quo principe fœdus primo initum fuerit.
"Considerandum est an bellum sit justum quia in injusto non tenetur defendere.
"Considerandum est an alii principes servarint ex parte sua articulos fœderis."

Galba, B. IX. 227.
B. M.

8. Abstracts of the treaties between Henry VII. and the archduke of Flanders, London, 1495; Henry VIII. and Charles king of Spain, Brussels, 1515; Henry VIII. and Maximilian, and John and Charles, kings of the Spains and Navarre, 1516; Henry VIII. and the Emperor, 1522; and Henry VIII. and the Emperor, Cambray, 1529.
Pp. 5.

R. O.

9. Ratification by Charles V. of the treaty between England and the Emperor made at Cambray.
Great seal attached.

R. O.

10. Ratification by Margaret of Savoy of the treaty of peace made by Jaques de Luxemburg, lord Fyennes, Anthoine de la Laing, count Hochstrate, John lord Berghes, on the one part, and Cuthbert Tunstal bishop of London, Sir Thomas More, and John Hacket, on the other. Cambray, 5 Aug. 1529.
Signed and sealed.
Very mutilated and rotten.

Galba, B. VIII. 225.
B. M.

11. Release by Henry VIII. of the sums due to him by the Emperor by the obligation of indemnity of 19 June 1522, on condition of the liberation of the dauphin of Vienne and the duke of Orleans, according to the treaty of Cambray; and commission to Anne de Montmorency, great master of France, Francis de Turre, viscount of Turenne, John du Bellay, bishop of Bayonne, and Sir Francis Bryan * * *
Lat., draft, pp. 2. *Imperfect.*

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Cal. D. x. 279. 12. * * *

B. M. "[The Kin]g our sovereign lord doth give you . . . . . [hon]or and pleasure of Almighty God and to come . . . . . [t]he weal of all Christendom, there is passed . . . . . between his Highness for this his realm of Eng[land and] his countries, isles, seignories, and dominio[ns, where] ever they be on this side the sea or beyond, th[e French king] for the realm of France, his countries and se[ignories on] this side the mountains, and the Emperor for his earldoms, counties, and seignories of Brabant . . . . . Faulquemont, Dalhem, Luxembourg, Flanders . . . . . Hainault, Holland, Zealand, Frize, onne y . . . . . namer, and also Tournay, Tournesis, and . . . . . whereof the lady Margaret, Archduchess of Aus[tria,] . . . . . and countess of Burgundy, and dowager of S[avoy holds] the regime and governance, their heirs and . . . . . good, true, sincere, and firm truce, abstine[nce of war], and deposition of armour, by land, sea . . . . . for the space and term of eight months . . . . . to begin the 15th day of this pres[ent month] . . . . . [an]d endure over and above * * * [certi]fied and given knowledge to the . . . . . ge hold and keep it, and also tw . . . . . any such signification, to the intent . . . . . and subjects of the one part and of the other may . . . . . months bring home their persons, merchandises . . . . . in surety, by the which truce, abstinence of [war, and] putting off of armour, it is covenanted and . . . . . concluded that during the same there shall ce[ase between] the said princes, their vassals, subjects, men of [war,] soldiers and other whatsoever they be, be[ing under their] commandment, all force of arms, hostilities, ... wastes, roads, pilleries, burnings, and taking of p[risoners and] of goods, and all other manner of exploits of war a[s well] by sea as by land and fresh water, so that all the sa[id va]ssaulx, merchants and other subjects of the said princes . . . . . [remain]ing and dwelling respectively in ther said r[ealms and countre]ys, may do their businesses and aff[airs] * * *"

In Tuke's hand.

5 Aug. **5830.** CUTHBERT [TUNSTAL], BISHOP OF LONDON, SIR THOS. MORE and [HACKET] to [HENRY VIII.]†

Cal. D. xi. 8.

B. M. * * * "oute they have in con . . . . . he we have put the treatise of their . . . . . effect such as it had before the war beg[un] . . . . . e almost as much to do to get any clause whereby y[our Grace] . . . . . your desires again of the Emperor in case your good bro[ther the French] king, for lack of delivery of his children, should not be bound . . . . . howbeit at length with much work and with the first com . . . . . French council, we have a clause that for lack of deliverance [of his] children, restoreth your obligations to their former strength . . . . . the indiction of the war. So that finally your Grace hath the p[eace] with the intercourse in manner abovesaid, and sealed and sworn th[is day], the fifth day of August, with very honorable and solemn s . . . . . as your good brother the French king's peace with the Emperor [like]wise is at the same time in the cathedral church of this t[own of] Cambray, of which our Lord send good and long conti[nuance].

† The following abstract is given of this letter in Masters' MS., f. 103:—"That in the treaty for peace with the Emperor they had much ado to effect that the intercourse should continue in form as it did before the war, the Emperor's commissioners alleging that the said intercourse is lost and forfeited by denunciation of war, so that we cannot tie the Emperor to renew it again. Our agent will not conclude any peace without this intercourse. And the French will not go further in this treaty (at Cambray) without that the Emperor and the king of England be first accorded. So the intercourse is at last granted and renewed in the ancient form, and, after that agreed, the conclusion of the treaty."

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CUTHBERT [TUNSTAL], BISHOP OF LONDON, &c., to [HENRY VIII.]—*cont.*

"As touching your Grace's debts, we have had communication with [the] Council, in which, albeit they desire much longer d[ay] . . . . . [w]hole sum into six payments . . . . . [yet forasmu]che as your good brother shall not be con[tent] . . . . . ent of the deliverance of his children . . . . . [n]ot be before March next coming; therefore for your . . . . . of payment, we were fain to give them the half . . . . . [to] be paid at such time as your Grace's half year's pens[ion must be] paid. Howbeit this end have we agreed unto, but only for so [much as] the Emperor's obligations do amount unto. For as touching [the] . . . . . thousand crowns for which your Grace hath the fleur de lys [in] pledge," and which the French king has bound himself to pay to the Emperor's ambassador, at the deliverance of his children, they refuse to meddle, but have remitted them for that parcel to the King, and told them they had not the jewel with them. Did this so as to leave it to the King's pleasure whether he would compel them to pay ready money for that pledge, or else give them further days, "for which we perceive your good brother s . . . . . driven to forbear their . . . . . of money sooner to furnish the pay . . . . . which he must pay at their deliverance and . . . . . council and we accorded, howbeit the writings be . . . . . ne us. And yesterday they were in doubt because we . . . . . them for the jewel whether they will covenant with us for any . . . . . by their orators make their covenants with your Grace and your couns[el for] all your whole debts." If they return to that the King can take no loss thereby. According to their instructions, put off the indemnity, to be further considered at . . . . . of the two Kings. Could obtain nothing about the restit[ution of] Tournay and the penalty of the marriage, and have therefore let it slip. "And thus after the writings once made [between] the French council and us for the Emperor's obligations due to [your Grace], if they will conclude with us, or else after the remitting of them . . . . . Grace and your council there for the same; we thus having t . . . . . * * * once departing and disse . . . . . homeward and give attendance up[on] . . . . . as we suppose that your good brother shall . . . . . de depeche some gentleman of his chamber unto . . . . . who by reason thereof is likely to be with your Grace before . . . . . [hum]bly beseech your Grace that it may like you to let him know."

The lady Regent, the Council, and specially the Grand Master, have done as much for the King's affairs here as they could have done for their own master. Cambray, 5 Aug. *Signed.*

Pp. 4, *mutilated.*

6 Aug. R. O. **5831.** GARDINER to WOLSEY.

Showed the King your letters concerning his visit to Tittenhanger, which liked him well. Expedited my lord Dacre's bill, which I send. Does not like that Dr. Kamuchius should have any charge, as it is not for the King's honor to seek for amity with the king of Denmark. If you could speak to Kamuchius, so that he might as of himself "conduce the matter," it might be well. He signed a letter, at Norfolk's desire, to the king of Denmark, for delivery of a ship of Newcastle. He desires instructions to be sent to my lord of Worcester. He wishes to have the names of the borough towns. I have written to Pexall for them, but I hear he is not with you. The King wonders he has had no letters. I have been from morn to night hunting, by the King's commandment. Hunsdon, 6 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

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6 Aug. **5832.** TREATY OF CAMBRAY.

Léonard, Recueil des Traités de Paix, II. p. 344.

Arrangement made by Cuthbert bishop of London, Sir Thos. More, and John Hacket, with Anthoine cardinal of Sens, and Montmorency the Grand Master of France, whereby Francis engages, in consideration of the deliverance of his children, to accept certain obligations contracted by the Emperor with Henry VIII., paying for the same at the rate of 50,000 cr. per annum. These obligations to be returned, and the arrangement to be cancelled in the event of the children not being restored. The first instalment to be paid 1 Nov. 1530. Cambray, 6 Aug. 1529.

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6 [Aug.] **5833.** NEWS FROM CAMBRAY.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 36. B. M.

"News from Cambray, sent by Hieronymo Francho.

"The day before the date of this letter, the bishop of Cambray said mass. After the mass the two ladies,* assisted by the legate Salviati, the ambassadors of king Ferdinand and of the king of England, swore to the treaty with great solemnity. The dean of Cambray announced then in a loud voice that peace was concluded between the Pope, the emperor Charles, Francis king of France, Ferdinand king of Bohemia, and Henry king of England.

"Afterwards a separate peace between king Henry and Madame Margaret was promulgated.

"The confederates were not mentioned in this solemnity. Before leaving, the ambassadors were called to a conference, and there the article concerning Venice was shown to the Venetian ambassadors, who had not seen it before. They feel much aggravated by that article," &c.

Superscribed: "News from Micer Hieronymo Francho, of the 6th, from Cambray. Italian. Seems to be the original. Pp. 2."

English abstract of a document at Simancas.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 37. B. M.

2. "Letter from St. Quintin.

"A letter sent from St. Quintin to Pomponio Trivulzio in Lyons says that on Thursday morning peace between the Pope, the Emperor, the kings of France, of England, of Scotland, and king Ferdinand, was published. Mass. Money thrown to the crowd. Theatricals," &c.

"Italian. Contemporary summary. p. 1."

English abstract of a document at Simancas. Dated in margin: 7 August.

7 Aug. **5834.** MARGARET OF SAVOY to WOLSEY.

Galba, B. v. 298 b. B. M.

Has received the King's letters and Wolsey's by his ambassadors, the bishop of London and Thomas More. Is pleased at the arrival of the ambassadors, though the duchess of Angosmois and herself much desired Wolsey's presence, to give them his advice and assistance. Writes to the King of their proceedings. Cambray, 7 Aug. 1529. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add.*

7 Aug. **5835.** WILLIAM BRABAZON to [CROMWELL].

R. O.

Has shown the prior of Dunstable his bill obligatory, which he thought he never should have paid. He will attend on Cromwell in the first week of next term to arrange about it, for he is very needy. Has been to Bradwell, where John Assheby was the last prior, and thence to Tykford. Has seen the stuff remaining there in Mr. Whalley's custody. Has sent what is

* Archduchess Margaret and Louise of Savoy.

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mentioned in the enclosed bill. Sends a bill of the stuff in the keeping of Andrew Stocks. If Cromwell wants it, he had better write to Whalley. Can do nothing at Ravenston, for lack of Mr. Throgmerton. 7 Aug.
Hol., p. 1.

8 Aug. **5836.** FRANCIS I.
R. T. 137.
R. O. Ratification of the engagements made by Du Prat and Montmorency with England for the payment of certain sums lent by Henry VIII. to Charles V. in 1522 and 1517; and also of certain other sums arranged between England and France, in consequence of the treaty of Cambray, for the recovery of the King's children. Crevecoeur, 8 Aug. 1529.
Lat., copy, pp. 9.

9 Aug. **5837.** PARLIAMENT.
Rym.XIV.302. Summonses to a Parliament to be holden in the city of London on the 3rd November. Westm., 9 Aug. 1529.
Close Roll, 21 *Hen. VIII.*

9 Aug. **5838.** HOLY CROSS, WHERWELL, Winc. dioc.
S. B. Assent* to the election of lady Anne Colte as abbess of the above monastery, *vice* Avelena Cowdrey, 8 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII. Westm., ——.
Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 20.

2. Restitution of temporalties for the above. Tyttenhanger, 9 Aug.
Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 20.

9 Aug. **5839.** BISHOP OF BAYONNE to MONTMORENCY.
Colbert MS. 468. v. p. 178. If I agree with the king of England, and obtain a resolution in accordance with my instructions, so that there is no necessity to send me back to France, he may require me to swear to the treaty in accordance with the power which I now have; and I think he is likely to urge me to do it, in order to confirm his subjects in their opinion about his marriage, and to free them from the fear they have always felt, that, when the said marriage is made, Francis will join with the Emperor for purposes of revenge. This the Flemings have always impressed upon the English.

I wish to know, therefore, the King's intention, so that I may shorten my journey.

If he wishes me to take the oath, I think it should be only in some chapel, after a mass, without ceremony, a few lords being present; but so that none of the council understand the substance, seeing only the mysteries without hearing anything distinctly. Vingonne (Waltham), 9 Aug.
French, from a transcript. pp. 2.

10 Aug. **5840.** TUNSTALL, MORE and HACKET to WOLSEY.
R. O. As we have finished all our charge, and the French king, who banquet with the lady Margaret, intends to leave tomorrow, and the two ladies the day after, we have taken our leave of them. They desired their commendations to you. The lady Margaret tells us that the Emperor has arrived in Geane. Hokstrate desires us to inform you that Raynyer Cossyn's ship was robbed by a galleon of Biscay, and the ship brought by John Rycanera into Southampton as a French prize. He desires your favor in behalf of the said Raynyer. Cambray, 10 Aug. *Signed.*
Pp. 2. . *Add. Endd.*

* The petition for this assent is in the name of Morpheta Kyngismyll, the prioress, and the convent.

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10 Aug. **5841.** PETER VANNES to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 209. B. M.

Wrote last on Aug. 1. Has heard from the bishop of Feltre that the Imperialists are pressing the Pope *pro causæ absolutoria ;* but nothing will probably be done without the advice of the Emperor, who is reported to have arrived at Genoa. The Florentines have sent four ambassadors to him, and have enlisted 10,000 foot to defend themselves from the Imperialists, in addition to the 5,000 now in their service. The Pope is very anxious. He thought the fear of the Emperor's arrival would prevent them from preparing for war, but that they would put themselves into the hands of his Holiness. They have, however, gained boldness from despair, and not only prepare to defend their own, but are annoying the Pope by means of the abbot of Farfa and Malatesta. His Holiness endures these injuries more than suits the dignity of the Holy See. If he wishes to send any one anywhere, he is obliged to ask for a safe-conduct from the abbot of Farfa, who holds the castle of Bracciano. He had promised the Pope not to stop legates to the Emperor, on the faith of which cardinals Farnese and Medicis were sent, and Santa Croce followed them. Before he had passed the Abbot's power, the Abbot heard that the Imperialists had intercepted 3,000 ducats sent to him by the Florentines, and he pursued and took the cardinal S. Croce to Bracciano. When the Pope complained, he said that he demanded his money from S. Croce, not as a Legate, but as an Imperialist. A Consistory is held today in consequence of this. The prince of Orange allowed this to be done in the sight of his army. The German and Italian foot are daily making greater demands.

There are various reports about the peace of Cambray. Some say that all the allies are excluded ; others that they are comprehended, and that, in addition to the sum which they are bound to pay to the Emperor, the French king will pay 300,000 ducats to him in their name. Some say there is no mention of the king of England; which Vannes does not believe, as his comprehension would benefit the Emperor.

With the present crowd of soldiers it is dangerous not merely to go out, but even to look out of the window. De Prat is here ; he speaks most honorably of the King. The Emperor's chancellor has been created a cardinal. Rome, 10 Aug. 1529.

Hol., Lat., pp. 4.

10 Aug. **5842.** THOMAS CASE.

R. O.

Coroner's inquest taken in the ward of Farringdon Within, London, 10 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII., before John Wylford, coroner, and Ralph Warren and John Longe, sheriffs, on the body of Thomas Case, cutler, who, it was found, was killed by Thomas Pyers in self-defence, in St. Paul's Churchyard.

Pp. 2, large paper.

11 Aug. **5843.** HACKET to WOLSEY.*

R. O.

I received your comfortable answer, dated 22 July. Came to this Diet not well furnished,—not doubting but my Lord's grace and you would see me provided. If I had not the *secours* of my lord of London's kitchen, and sometimes with Mr. More, I had not been able to appear in a condition honorable to the King, my master. I have borrowed 20*l.* ster. from my lord of London. Cambray, 11 Aug. 1529.

P.S.—My lord of London and Mr. More can tell the news.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

* Probably intended for Tuke.

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[12 Aug.] **5844.** GARDINER to WOLSEY.†

R. O. St. P. IV. 79.

Showed the King last night the resolution taken by Wolsey with Angus; which his Grace liked very well, especially "the manner of delivering them such money as his Highness giveth them for their entertainment; that is to say, to be delivered without mention of yearly entertainment;" and that it be paid to him there before they repair to his Highness, that they may give him thanks for it. But the King will not agree to augment the portion of Archibald to 100*l.* He is content to send a gentleman, probably Ratclyf, not the captain of Berwick. He wishes Angus to come to Barnet this day at noon to take leave of him. Has spoken to Master Controller that Norfolk may tell him what inn to repair to. Gardiner would have come himself, but the King bid him stay. Barnet, this Thursday.

Hol. Add. Endd.: Maister Stevyns.

2 [Aug.] **5845.** ARCHBISHOP OF CAPUA to [FRANCIS I.]

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 44. B. M.

"Advises him to ratify the treaty concluded at Cambray with the Pope, the Emperor, and the kings of Hungary and England, otherwise a rupture would be the consequence."

Superscribed: "Summary of the letter of the Archbishop of Capua, from Lyons, 12th. Italian, p. 1."

English abstract of a document at Simancas.

12 Aug. **5846.** DE PRAET and MAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 39. B. M.

* * * A courier has come from England in nine days with a duplicate of the Queen's procuration, and the process made. They say that sentence has been prorogued to the 1st Oct.; which is good, because meanwhile the inhibition and revocation will arrive. * * * Rome, 12 Aug.

Spanish, modern copy, pp. 10.

13 Aug. **5847.** TUKE to WOLSEY.

R. O.

A courier is come from Lyons with letters from Rome, which have been opened at Florence, Genoa and Lyons. I have thought it good, for every man's discharge, to send them to the King, and have written to Mr. Stephens. You will see there will be no means of sending to Rome without the letters being read, unless they be written in cipher. I am sorry I have not yet been able to attend you, as I have a humour in one of my legs, that I cannot stand or go. Portgore, 13 Aug. 1529.

P.S.—I send you a letter from Sir Francis Bryan, expressing a wish to come home. If he tarry, he will be a costly ambassador. I have received the King's warrant for payment to Rob. Amadas almost of 1,000 marks for flagons, pots, basons, &c. of silver, and no bond for redelivery.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

14 Aug. **5848.** BENET, CASALE and VANNES to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XI. 211. B. M.

The Pope is much disturbed, as the Imperialists have led their army, part into Abruzzo, part into the Papal States. The prince of Orange is here, trying to get money from the Pope. He has determined to advance the Germans at Aquila towards Florence on St. Laurence's day. News of the peace of Cambray has arrived, but no other letters to the Pope, except from card. Salviati, who writes that the capitulations were sent in the letters of the archbishop of Capua, and that the Florentines had detained them. The Pope thinks that the Italian allies are excluded, though mention is made of

† Inaccurately ascribed to the year 1524 in S.P.

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them in the treaty. Received lately from a friend in France some particulars of the peace.

Went to the Pope, as they heard that he had not come to any agreement with the Prince, but found that he had accepted the following conditions: that he would pay now 15,000 cr., 35,000 cr. as soon as the army left his territory, and 30,000 cr. a month after. Told him what they had heard about the peace. He said he wished for nothing more than peace among Christian princes, for which he would postpone his private interest. Told him they never would have believed that he would have supplied to the Imperialists the means of destroying Italy, which they could not have done without him. Said they did not know what he intended, but the Imperial army was of such a character that, when it was once in motion, neither he nor the Emperor could restrain it from destroying all Italy. The lady Margaret, the legate Salviati, and the archbishop of Capua had told him that nothing would be done in the treaty prejudicial to him; and before giving this money, he ought to wait to know the details of the treaty, by which he would obtain what he wanted, with honor, without expense or the destruction of his country. He said many times that he could not prevent the army going to Florence, and was obliged to pay this money to get the army out of his states. He had sent to the Emperor to know if Florentine affairs would be arranged to his satisfaction. They had sent four of their principal men to the Emperor, and were in despair, as they could hope for no help from France for three months, and were deserted on all sides. He thinks that the affairs of Italy will be entirely at the Emperor's disposal.

Think that the Pope wishes the army to proceed as fast as possible to Florence, that they may be compelled to treat with him; and they conjecture from his words that the Emperor will settle Italian affairs by taking money from all quarters, and that he will not keep the terms agreed to with the Pope. The Florentines have determined to defend themselves, and have a picked army, by which they can defend not only Florence, but Pisa, Pistoia, Cortona, Arezzo and Prato. Hear from the Imperialists that the King had put off his cause until Oct. 1. Have complained, in consequence of this, to the Pope, for advoking the cause without waiting for the King's answer. He seems grieved that he cannot correct what he has done. Told him that the ensuing scandals and the King's indignation would fall on him. He knew not what to reply, except that he would not have advoked the cause except for the constant reports of its progress. Rome, 14 Aug. 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 5.

14 Aug. R. O.

5849. Wm. Brabazon to Cromwell.

The abbot of St. James knew nothing about Cromwell's fee, and had made no such grant, but he will pay it. Was with Mr. Bernard, the King's escheator for Northamptonshire, at the sitting for the enquiry concerning his office. Mr. Rowse was there also, and sent half a deer for the escheator's dinner. There was much business before the office was found, but it is now in the escheator's hand to send up. Does not know whether he has received the letter from Newport with the stuff remaining in Whalley's hands. Cromwell's kinsman, Mr. Morgan, with the marquis of Dorset, is in good health. Leicester, 14 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c., Mr. Thos. Crumwell. *Sealed. Endd.*

15 Aug. R. O.

5850. T. Duke of Norfolk to Wolsey.

Sends letters received by the King out of Ireland, for Wolsey "to take order therein;" also a supplication presented to the King, in which he wishes him to see justice done to the complainants. Suit has also been made

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T. Duke of Norfolk to Wolsey—*cont.*

to the King by John Coke, captain of the 100 gunners at Berwick, Norham, and Wark, for payment of their wages. Is commanded to send him to Wolsey that he may pay, and, if he think fit, discharge them. Barnet, 15 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's good grace.

16 Aug. **5851.** T. Duke of Norfolk to Wolsey.

R. O. Enclosing letters received by the King, which he was commanded to read and forward. Barnet, 16 Aug. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's good grace.

16 Aug. **5852.** John Du Bellay to Wolsey.

R. O. I have received the letters of Rinconi and the bishop of Transylvania, which you were good enough to send me. They are not of any importance. News of the Turks, of the state of Germany, and of the preparations of Ferdinand. I know nothing of the peace, which they say was arranged on the 5th, except by report. I am every day expecting the arrival of my brother. London, 16 Aug.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.:* "Francia, 1528 & 9."

16 Aug. **5853.** Francis I.

R. O. Rym. xiv.306. Commission to John bishop of Bayonne and his brother William Du Bellay, to treat with England for the restoration of certain jewels and securities left in pawn with Henry VIII. by the Emperor, for a debt which Francis I. has undertaken to pay, by the treaty of Cambray, for the liberation of his children. S. Quentin, 16 Aug. 1529.

Lat., vellum.

18 Aug. **5854.** De Praet and May to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 54. B. M. * * * This cause of England, like a young palm tree, sends forth new shoots every day. Yesterday the English ambassadors were with the Pope more than two hours, and today also a good while. Have found out that they have requested that the revocation which has been made be not done in the usual form, and *that it be committed to no one but the Pope.* We have replied that your Majesty is quite willing to defer to the king of England in everything not to the prejudice of the Queen. Will speak with the cardinal of Ancona, to whom the Pope has committed the matter, and see that they do not deceive us, for at the first blush it looks as if there were some trick. Here were three English ambassadors, and now two depart, leaving only the lawyer. *It may be a sign that they mean to prosecute the cause.* * * * Rome, 18 Aug. 1529.

Spanish, modern copy, pp. 9.

18 Aug. **5855.** The Bailiffs and Portmen of Ipswich to Wolsey.

R. O. Perceive the regard that he has to the town of Ipswich, as well for the making of the college lately erected there, as for the setting up of a grammar school for the increase of their learning, to their singular comfort, for which they give him hearty thanks, and will pray for his prosperity. Ipswich, 18 Aug.

Signed: Henry Stannard and Nicholas Hervy, bailiffs,—James Hill, Wm. Stysted, John Butler, portmen.

Apparently not signed by themselves.

P. 1. *Add.:* To the lord Cardinal's good grace. *Endd.:* 17 Aug.

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19 Aug. **5856.** LEE to [WOLSEY].

Vesp. C. iv. 334. B. M.

Has received Wolsey's Latin letters to him and the bishop of Worcester concerning the Queen. Wrote on Aug. 3, by way of Bilbao, the news he heard from an English merchant from the fair of Medina del Campo, touching the divorce, and the report that the King intended to make the Queen a nun. Franciscus Philippe has been here with letters for the Emperor,—to what effect Lee does not know, but he pretended to come on his own business. Cannot perceive that he or the physician have done anything touching this matter. Accounts himself without tongue or knowledge now that the bishop of Worcester has left.

Asks for a minute of all things, except the secrets, in French, to be communicated to the Emperor. Will write again directly he has an answer, for which he daily labours. Valladolid, 19 Aug.

The bishop of Worcester has received 400 ducats of Wolsey's money, for which Lee has received a bill to Sir Henry Wyatt, to be taken off Worcester's diets.

Hol., pp. 2.

19 Aug. **5857.** REGRATING.

Harl. MS. 442, f. 105. B. M.

Proclamation to be published by the sheriff of Bedfordshire and Buckinghamshire forbidding the regrating of corn and grain, and combinations to increase the price thereof. The More, 19 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.

Modern copy, pp. 2.

20 Aug. **5858.** JOHN CASALE to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Sends a copy of a letter written yesterday, and sent by John Joachim. The Turk is in Hungary, and is marching towards Vienna. Ferdinand is preparing to oppose him. The Emperor has written to the marquis del Guasto to remain in Apulia. He is coming into Italy. He states that he has a large army raised in Germany. In the peace between France and the Emperor nothing has yet been decided in regard to the confederates. Venice, 20 Aug. 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

20 Aug. **5859.** CHARLES DUKE OF SUFFOLK.

R. O.

Notarial attestation of a bull exhibited, 20 Aug. 1529, before Ric. bishop of Norwich, in the chapel of his manor-house of Hoxne, in presence of Ralph Cantrell, notary public, by Humph. Wingefelde, councillor of Charles duke of Suffolk. The bull, which is dated Orvieto, iv. id. Maii 1528, 5 Clement VII., recites that Suffolk in the days of Henry VII. had married Margaret Mortymer *alias* Brandon, of London diocese, on the strength of a dispensation which was not valid, and with her had cohabited although he had previously contracted marriage with Ann Browne, and was related to the said Margaret in the second and third degrees of affinity. Besides, the said Anne and Margaret were related in the second and third degrees of consanguinity, and Suffolk's grandmother was the sister of the father of a former husband of Margaret's (*ac etiam ex eo avia tua et genitor olim conjugis dictæ Margaretæ frater et soror fuerant*). For these causes, feeling that he could not continue to cohabit with Margaret Mortymer without sin, he caused his marriage with her to be declared null by the official of the archdeacon of London, to whom the cognisance of such causes of old belongs. After this sentence Suffolk married the said Anne, and had some daughters by her, and after her death he married Mary queen dowager of France. The bull ratifies this sentence, and supplies all defects both of law and fact, and visits with ecclesiastical censure all who call it in question.

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The bishop of Norwich certifies that the bull has been read and handled by the witnesses named below, the Bishop himself being blind, and found to be authentic. Present: Robert prior of Holy Trinity, Norwich, and Ric. Redemayne and Will. Newton, the Bishop's chaplains.*

Lat., copy, pp. 8. *Endd.:* The copy of the register from Norwich.

20 Aug. **5860.** S. VAUGHAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. Has already written to him of the spiteful behavior of the Governor. Thanks to God and his friends, his opposition is in vain, and has only served to show his malicious or rather frantic mind against Vaughan. Regrets to see his age so weakly furnished with the virtues that should become it. Malice apart, "he is meter to sit by the fire and dally with children than in a council house to govern and rule a multitude." Has sent his brother Johnson 10 ells of linen cloth in a truss to make shirts for Cromwell. Is going to buy him a dining table either for himself or for a present to my Lord, of such size as there are few in England. "It hath about it a border superficially made, wherein is set out certain Scripture in the Greek, Hebrew, and Latin, the neatest piece of work that I have seen." It is offered him at 40 crowns. Antwerp, 20 Aug. 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his right worshipful master, Mr. Crumwell, in London.

22 Aug. **5861.** MORETTE to WOLSEY.

R. O. Has written to the bishop of Bayonne to request of you the payment of 6,000 cr. of the sun, of which the King has made Morette a present. Has deferred this request, considering the expences of the war, expecting to obtain payment through Wolsey's kindness out of the contribution made by Henry to the king of France. Must provide the money by the 15th Sept. next, to pay for an estate that he has bought. The bishop of Bayonne will tell him of the journey Morette has to undertake for the affairs of the two kingdoms. Paris, 22 Aug. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

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* In connection with this matter the following extract from a MS. in the possession of the marquis of Salisbury will be interesting:—

"But for the declaration of the truth in this matter," (viz., the legitimacy of Suffolk's children), ... "ye shall understand that the Duke, being Sir Charles Brandon, living in the court, and being sole and unmarried, made a contract of matrimony with a gentlewoman called Mrs. Anne Browne, and before any solemnization of that marriage not only had a daughter by her, which after was married to the lord Powes, but also brake promise with her and married the lady Mortimer. Which marriage the said Mrs. Anne Browne judicially accused to be unlawful, for that the said Sir Charles Brandon had made a precontract with her, and had carnally known her. Which being duly proved, sentence of divorce between the said Sir Charles and the lady Mortymer was given, and he married solemnly the said Mrs. Anne Browne; at which marriage all the nobility was present, and did honor it; and after had by her another daughter, who was married to the lord Mont eagle. After this, the said Mrs. Anne Browne continued with him all her life as his wife, and died his wife, without impeachment of that marriage. After whose death king Henry, having the said Sir Charles Brandon in great favor, meant he should, for his better preferment, have married the lady Lisle, being a young maiden and an inheritor. Whereupon the said Sir Charles was created viscount Lisle; but that marriage, by reason of her youth, took no place. After this he was created duke of Suffolk; and Lewys, the French king, dying, and leaving the said lady Mary, king Henry the Seventh's daughter, a widow, the said duke Charles, being sent into France for her, with the consent of king Henry the Eighth, married her twice, first secretly in France, and after openly here in England, as before is declared," &c.

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23 Aug. **5862.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 337.

Although I should have nothing worth writing to the King, my brother and I think right to write a word to you, for a reason that he explains to you at length, until we are entered on the matter, and can notify the King and Madame. I see Francis does not wish me to leave before the ratification of the treaty arrives. This is a thing hard for me to bear, not for my own private interests, which I would not urge, but for the following reason: On the return of Suffolk, Wolsey complained to the King that the Duke had put him out of favor with Francis by some of his conversations. On which the King asked Suffolk if it was true. The Duke said he had not spoken of it. Wolsey further said it was I that had informed him. So that, whenever the Duke could meet me, after long protests, and after confessing that he had had some conversation with Francis about Wolsey, but he had made sure that if Francis had sent word of it I would not have repeated it, he pressed me so hard for an answer that I knew not what to say, except that I had never spoken of it,—which, in truth, I never did,—begging him, nevertheless, not to let the matter go further. I offered, however, to tell Wolsey in his presence what I had said to him, which I think it was right to do. Seeing that he had touched me about Francis, Wolsey said to me that he had not intended to speak of it further; but this was said so coldly that I see he would like to have an explanation with me, before the King his master, and perhaps confront me with the other. Since then I have been as much as possible on my guard against meeting people (*d'estre affronté*), in which I have been much favored by the illness of this Duke, who is now well again, and quite in his master's favor (*planté auprès de son maistre*). It was a most favorable opportunity for me to absent myself till the matter was laid to sleep; for Wolsey and the King appeared to desire very much that I should go over to France to get the opinions of the learned men there about the divorce, and to discuss it with them, showing them the reasons of the opposite party, in order to get from them some good advice and arguments which I might send hither. From that time they have been so fixed upon this voyage, that four days ago Wolsey sent for me expressly from ten leagues distance, purposely to arrange it, reckoning that I should depart whenever my brother arrived. Francis, however, must be obeyed. I will contrive to excuse the voyage for a short time, without alleging the intention of Francis,—which would be very impolitic, for reasons which it will be too long to write; and I will find means between this and Michaelmas "de me developer de ce Duc; à quoy m'aydera bien que monsieur le Legat ne se trouvera gueres, cependant, avec son maistre ne moy, aussi la negociacion de mon frere estre fournye." But remember, the King and everybody will meet again here at Michaelmas, so that I shall have no more dodges by which to save myself, and if I do not go they will think you are opposed to their divorce. You had better at once get some one ready, who will bring the ratification hither, whenever it arrives, and take my place as long as it pleases the King, so that I may arrange my going to the satisfaction of every one; for if I am found here at Michaelmas I promise you it will be very injurious, for reasons which my brother will report at his return.

It is intended to hold a Parliament here this winter, and then act by their own absolute power, in default of justice being administered by the Pope in this divorce. This, however, is to be after the restitution of the children, till which time they mean to dissemble everything. They are as well satisfied as can be with Francis and my Lady, and mention you particularly in their *Pater noster*. It is true you will always find them hard in the matter of money, especially now that they are jealous of each other, as you will learn from my brother. I think Marigny and Lamet, or the bailly of Amiens, might supply my place.

On Thursday we shall be at court, and do the best we can; but we shall

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find it awkward not to show the copy of the treaty of Cambray, which I think they have not got here. Since their ambassadors were at Calais they have often asked me for it, and I have always excused myself by two letters Francis had written to me, stating that my brother would come fully instructed in everything. If, therefore, they do not see the treaty, I foresee they will not take it well. It is true he has brought some articles, but only those they have here already, because they touch them. Moreover, these articles refer to the treaty of Madrid, of which I know nothing, except what I have heard say. My brother excuses this, that on asking for it he was assured I had a copy of the Madrid treaty, and also of last year's overtures, which would serve my purpose. I have them; but as to the treaty of Madrid, you said to the late chancellor of Alençon, in my presence, that I should require a copy; when he replied that it was not a thing to communicate to every one. From that time I did not wish to speak about it, and I assure you I never saw anything of it. I do not know how we are to get out of it. London, 23 Aug.

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23 Aug. **5863.** LEE to [WOLSEY].

Vesp. C. IV. 336. B. M.

Wrote concerning the Queen's matter by the bishop of Worcester, who left on 19 Aug. Obtained letters of credence from the Emperor to the Pope for him, and also letters from the Emperor to Wolsey, saying that he will shortly send his full mind. Thinks the Emperor is as desirous of peace as the French king. Does not think the French should be so greedy to denounce battle. If the King and Wolsey cannot persuade the Emperor to come to terms, no fear that the French will do so. Sends the bishop of Worcester's bill on Sir Henry Wyatt for 400 ducats, to be given to Henaige for Lee's discharge. Will soon send a full account of what has come to his hands or John Aleman's, by whose diligence all is received from Palencia. Can do nothing about Toledo. Has sent for Wolsey's bulls and the Emperor's letters, but these troublous times have made many letters to quail. Has given Ghinucci another letter from the Emperor concerning that affair. Wishes to come home. Valladolid, 23 Aug.

Hol., pp. 2.

24 Aug. **5864.** STEPHEN GARDINER to [WOLSEY].

Vit. B. XII. 223. B. M. St. P. I. 335.

Was with the King at Langley yesterday, and came home late in the evening. I showed him the letters you had sent by Edwardes, and those from my lord of Bath, concerning the execution of the letters citatorial, to be notified secretly to you and Campeggio. The King is well satisfied with your letters, and the solution of the doubt submitted to you. The King does not like the addition of the clause to the letters of inhibition touching the pecuniary fine, which was not in the copy sent from Rome. He desires a copy of the inhibition and the letters citatorial. Having great trust in you, he thinks you may so manage Campeggio that it is not needful for the letters citatorial to be published, and that, as your court now ends, the Legate will be content with the Pope's brief. If you cannot induce the Queen's counsel to be content, you are to send information to the King, who will further advertise you what is best to be done. I send you two briefs, one touching the avocation, the other notifying the peace between the Pope and the Emperor. Nothing is done in other matters. Woodstock, 4* Aug.

Hol., mutilated.

* Mistake for 24th.

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5865. [WOLSEY] to GARDINER.

Vesp. F. IX. 144. B. M.

Yesterday my lord of Bath, who had removed from London to Dokmersfelde, arrived here; and, according to the King's determination at Tytynhanger, [Wolsey] has had long communication with him about the inhibition and advocation. Considering that the King never showed himself as a party, but what has hitherto been done proceeded only *ex officio*, he thought it would not be convenient for the Queen to show or make herself a party against the King; nor that any citation or process of contumacy on pains pecuniary, *cum invocatione brachii sæcularis*, or otherwise, should be procured or executed against him at her suit, which might irritate and exasperate him against her, to the extreme undoing of all her council. Any rupture of the peace between the King and the Emperor would then be ascribed to her, and she would incur the indignation of all the nobles and people of the realm. He (the bishop of Bath) thinks that now the Judge's hands are closed by the inhibition and advocation of the cause, the Queen ought to be content to proceed no further in the process at Rome, like as the King will nothing attempt by way of law. Although the Queen trusts more to the counsel of strangers and Imperialists than to her English council, the bishop of Bath, with the concurrence of her almoner and the bishop of London, will endeavor *bonâ fide* to dissuade her from making any further pursuit. Writes briefly, trusting to see Gardiner here shortly, when he will tell him what he has done. Has laid before the bishop of Bath the great danger that may arise to the Queen and her council if the King is cited, or any process made against him at Rome,—which he well weighs, protesting that if she is wilful "he will not continue of her council, to die for it." At the coming of the Legate, will use all means to induce him to cause the Queen to surcease with the mere and simple advocation of the cause. Asks for a copy of the inhibition and advocation, that the Legate and he may consult how to avoid all things which may touch the King. The bishop of Worcester's kinsman arrived here with letters and writings, which [Wolsey] forwards to be shown to the King. He was present when the Emperor embarked in his galley for Italy on the 27th of last month. He has only 9,000 persons,—6,000 men "*rei militaris inexpertissimi*," and the rest but children. He has but three lords of Spain in company with him, whom he dared not leave, lest they should make some mutiny in his absence. He can get no money in Spain, neither by gift nor loan. He has taken this journey against the minds of all the nobles and people. There is a marvellous pestilence in his fleet. If the King's profound and wise counsels had been followed, what a booty might have ensued from the Emperor's bare and slender furniture. "Utcumque tamen fortassis quod hominum consilio et viribus fieri nequit, pestis ipsa efficiet."

The sending of the Prothonotary to the Venetians, Florentines, and duke of Ferrara, with reasonable offers, implies that the Emperor sees his own weakness. If now good and politic practices were set forth, the Emperor might no less repent his sudden descent into Italy than the French king did, and as ill success might proceed therefrom. The bishop of Worcester's kinsman whom [Wolsey] sends to be presented to the King, says that the distress of the count of St. Poole has been the cause of the Emperor's descent into Italy; otherwise he would not have gone this year. Has sent for the French ambassador to communicate to him the Emperor's passage and ill furniture, with the other things which Wolsey wished to communicate to him as of himself. Desires Gardiner to remind the King that he wished to see the ambassador before he left Windsor, and to ask whether he shall be sent thither. Sends letters received this morning from Bryan, stating that the French king, knowing the King's pleasure, can be contented to send Albany into Scotland, and that the Duke is agreeable thereto. Asks Gardiner to inform him what the King wishes him to do. Has had no word from the

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[WOLSEY] to GARDINER—*cont.*

Queen's almoner, at which he is surprised. Trusts that if the Almoner cannot do it, it will be done by the bishops of Bath or London, or by the Legate. It may be difficult at first for the Almoner alone to induce the Queen.

Draft, pp. 7. *The leaves in wrong order. Begins:* "Master Stevens."

5866. WOLSEY to ———.

Titus, B. I. 79. B. M.

"One other thing he desired that the King's grace might be put in remembrance of, that where the admiral of France, sent with the ratification of the truce lately concluded at Cambray, hath a commission to treat of universal peace, that it would please the King's highness to give some instruction to his ambassadors, which shall also be sent with his Grace's ratification that they shall join and concur with the said Admiral for the concluding and advancement of the said peace universal, which, seeing the Turk *ita imminet cervicibus nostris*, is more than necessary.

"The Queen's council is now comyn hither; that is to say, her almoner, the Dean of the Arches, Dr. Guent, and a notary. I have received to copy* of the inhibitions and letters citatorial, which I send unto you herewith. As soon as Mr. Bennet and Dr. Kerne shall be returned [I shall not fail with the Legate to endeavor†] with the King's resolution and pleasure, the Legate and I shall endeavor ourself to induce them to the same. They make much sticking as yet at the exhibition of the brief in the lieu of the letters inhibitorials, alleging that in the said brief there be none effectual and express words whereby the Queen might be sured of the effectual closing of the Judge's hands; and that she, being full of mistrust, shall be with great difficulty induced thereto. They say, furthermore, that if some resolution be not shortly taken herein, and they in Flanders advertised thereof afore the 24th day of this month without fail, it shall not lie in the Queen's power to let but that the said inhibition and letters citatorial shall be executed there at the said 24th day.

"I commit unto you such letters as were written in cipher from the King's orators in Rome, retaining with me those that be out of ciphers, supposing verily that ye have read or declared the contents of the same to the King's highness. In the said letters I note two things chiefly. The one is the handling of the Pope by the prince of Orange, and proceeding of the Imperials with their rude intreating of the Pope's towns in robbing, burning, and destroying of the same; whereby it doth manifestly appear that all the blandishing promises of the Emperor do and shall turn to the said Pope's confusion; and, God forgive me, I am nothing sorry of this his handling, who being so ofttimes deceived and betrayed by the Imperials, neclecting his best friend hath joined and adhereth to him that intendeth none other thing but his destruction [and] ruin. This thing succeeding thus do make *in pejus* shall peradventure cause him to change and alter his proceedings in the King's matter; and further (?) that he hath unkingly and untruly demeaned himself to his Grace, who hath alway been his best and only assured friend and succour.

"The second thing which I note to be considered and looked unto is the importune suit made by the Emperor's and the Queen's agents for sending forth of compulsorials for the exhibitions of the process, which had, they would not fail to proceed and give judgment [against the King†] *pro matrimonio.* This will be met with for divers apt respects, as I doubt not ye of your wisdom can judge, and considered much better than I can express. What thing the King's highness shall or can devise to be done, for my part I

* Sic; qu. *two copies?* † Struck out.

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shall not fail with all effort to set forth and accomplish the same to the uttermost of my wit and power, as our Lord knoweth."

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5867. [WOLSEY] to GARDINER.

R. O. Expected today more of the Queen's council than the bishop of Bath, and copies of the exhibition and letters citatorial for which Clerk had written. As they have not come, as will be seen by the dean of Arches' letters, thinks it best to send Dr. Boner and Kerne to declare to the King and Gardiner what course is taken with Campeggio and Clerk concerning the said inhibition and letters *virtute brevis mihi directi*, "without that any overture shall be made to the Queen thereof till I may be advertised how the King's highness and ye of his counsel do like of the same. *For as his Grace, by the advice of his counsel there, shall think best to be done, and shall [think] most advisable and agreeable to his pleasure, so shall I endeavour myself to persuade the Legate and the Queen's counsel to be conformable thereto, as the said doctors shall more amply declare unto the King's highness and you; to whom it may please his Highness to give benign audience and credence; and ye, after the declaration of their charge unto the same, to be their good and friendly director; wherewith, if the King's highness be not content, I perceive no hope that they will be induced, or as the bishop of Bath allegeth the Queen . . . . .*"

Hol., draft, p. 1. *The passage quoted in italics scored out. Begins:* Mr. Stevynys.

5868. WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Nero, B.VI. 28. B. M. Sends him letters received this day from the bishop of Bath to be shown to the King, showing that [the bishops of Bath and London had broken with the Queen*] there is good hope that the Queen will be induced to conformity. Though the bishop of Bath refers for further particulars to my lord of London, Wolsey cannot write more, as the latter, coming hither yesterday with Mr. More, chancellor of the duchy of Lancaster, fell from his horse, and is since unable to travel. Will write when he has seen him. Daily expects to hear the King's pleasure on the points mentioned in his other letters, especially for the publication of the peace, and making fires and other rejoicings for it.

P. 1. *Corrected draft, in Wolsey's own hand.*

24 Aug. **5869.** GARDINER to WOLSEY.

R. O. Would have shown your letters to the King immediately, if I could have had an opportunity, but had none, as it is our removing day. The matter contained in them has been reported already by the bishops of Bath and London. I have not yet learned the King's pleasure, except for the proclamation of the peace in London and Calais with the same solemnities as in France. The coming of Langes keeps the King in suspense, except that he has told me something of his mind to be written to the bishop of Worcester. Woodstock, 24 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. and sealed.*† *Endd.*

24 Aug. **5870.** SIR THOMAS LUCY.

R. O. File of Accounts.

i. "Bruggenorth."

Remaining in two bags, 13*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*; whereof paid for the obits of Sir Thomas Lucy:—32 priests, at 4*d.*; a friar of Northampton, 20*d.*; the second

* This clause scored out. † The seal is a beautiful head, of Tiberius, apparently.

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day, 21 priests, at 8*d.*; Sir Richard had 4*d.* more; 26 clerks, at 2*d.*; the ringers, 12*d.*; the warden of Bridgenorth, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to alms folk, 55*s.* 10*d.*; to Olyver, for his costs to London and other business, 40*s.*=6*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*

To Ant. Whytt, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to Ric. Holmes, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to the parson of Haversham, for things at London, 3*s.* 10*d.*; to Wm. Prestgrave, 12*d.*; to find the escheator's office, 4*l.*

P. 1. *Endd.:* Funeralls and bequests. Funerall expences.

ii. Receipt by John Skutte, citizen and merchant tailor of London, of 16*l.* from lady Luce, for black cloth used at the burial of Sir Thomas Luce. 1526, 18 Hen. VIII., 30 April. *Signed.*

Endd.

iii. Paid at the burial of Sir Thomas Lucy to the waxchandler, 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; the butcher, 8*l.*; the beer brewer, 4*l.* 7*s.*; the painter, 14*l.*; the baker, 10*s.*; the ale brewer, 56*s.* 10*d.*; the saddler, 51*s.* 8*d.*; the armourer, 6*s.* 8*d.*; the apothecary, 3*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*; to Hoper, 20*s.*; the goodman of the Angel, for horse meat, 26*s.*; Raffe Marten, of the Maidenhead, for horse meat, 59*s.*; Ollyver Ierlound, to pay other charges, 46*s.* 2*d.*=60*l.*

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iv. 31 March 17 Hen. VIII. A mem. of the above payments to the saddler, armourer, apothecary, goodman of the Angel, Raff Marten and Olyver Irelond, 12*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.*

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v. Memorandum, for legacies payd accordyng to the wyll of the sayd Thomas Lucy. Trentalls to be said at the Grey Friars, with wine and wax, 11*s.*; at the White Friars, 11*s.*; at the Grey Friars of Bruggenorth, Salop, where he was founder, 4*l.* To the mother churches of Lyncoln and Worcester, 6*s.* 8*d.* each. To the poor people of Assheby Legear and Charlecote, 40*s.* For *diriges* and masses of *requiem* in the "moneth mynd,"——. For a grave stone with his arms and scutcheons, ——.

His sons Edmund and Thos. are to have their finding till they come to the age of 21.

He leaves his goods and catalls to his wife. To Ric. Hylshacke, 40*s.* yearly for three years.

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vi. Receipt by Friar Thomas Cudner, warden of the Friars Minors of London, of 10*s.* from Olyver Yerlond, for a trental for the soul of Sir Thos. Luce. 18 Nov. 1526.

Endd.

vii. Receipt by Rich. Ylshaw of 6*l.*, the bequest of his master Sir Thos. Lucy. 1528. *Signed.*

Endd.

viii. Receipt by Friar Thos. Gaskyn, prior of the White Friars in Fleet Street, of 10*s.* from Olyver Eyerlond, for the obit of Mr. Geo. Catesby. 28 Nov. 18 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Endd.

ix. Legacies and things ordained for Sir Thos. Lucy.

A trental at Grey Friars, 10*s.*; at White Friars, 10*s.* 4 great tapers weighing 8 lb., ——. To the four Orders of Friars, for fetching him to church, ——. To poor folks, ——. To the Grey Friars of Brygnorthe, 4*l.* To the mother church of Lincoln, 6*s.* 8*d.*; and of Worcester, 6*s.* 8*d.* Alms at Ashby Leger and Charlecote, 40*s.* An obit at the month's end, at

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Charlecote and Ashby, ——. For the debts of Raffe Warren, mercer, ——. A grave stone, ——. A priest to sing three years, 20*l.* Servants' wages, —— Bequests to his three daughters, 1,200 mks. To Edmond Lucy, his son, the manor of Bykryng. To his son Thomas, the manor of Claybro. To his wife Elizabeth, all his goods and cattels.
P. 1. *Endd.*

x. Bill of John Parker, apparitor and "prayser," for appraising Sir Thos. Lucy's goods, 388*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.*, at 2*d.* per 1*l.*, 5 mks.; of which he has received 4 mks.
Mem., that the apparitors of my lord Cardinal and the archbishop of Canterbury have 20*d.* for every testament, and 2*d.* per 1*l.* for appraising.
P. 1. *Endd.*

xi. Receipt by Ric. Lynd, waxchandler of London, for the funeral of Sir Thos. Lucy, and all other debts due from him till Bartholomew's Day 21 Hen. VIII., by the hands of Mr. Varnay and my lady his wife. *Signed.*
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xii. Account for fish.
Imprimis:—400 oysters, 12*d.* A dozen plaice, 9*d.* Half a fresh cod, 12*d.* Half a skate, 12*d.* A quarter of fresh salmon, and the chine, 16*d.* 3 haddocks, 15*d.* Half a salt salmon, 9*d.* Bringing your net from London, 5*d.* For horse and man, 6*d.* For a pickerell, 2*s.* = 10*s.*
Endd.: Branesford's bill, content and paid the viij^th^ day of January 17 Hen. VIII.

xiii. Receipt by Ric. Lynd, waxchandler of London, of 40*s.* in part payment of a greater sum, from Olyver Iyrlond, servant to lady Lucy. 2 Oct. 20 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*
Endd.

25 Aug. R. O. **5871.** JOHN DU BELLAY, BISHOP OF BAYONNE, to WOLSEY.

Came hither with his brother in compliance with the King's wishes. Yesterday was fixed for their audience, when they hoped Wolsey would have been present, but they understand he is now at the More. Would have gone thither but for Wolsey's order. Will salute the King tomorrow. Thinks it best meanwhile to return him the letters of Francis and his mother. Whenever permitted we will fly to you,—my brother to explain his commission, I to salute you. "Aussibrugæ (Uxbridge), super viam, die xxv° Augusti."
Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* "D. Cardinali Ebor. S. Sedis Ap. de Latere Legato," &c. *Endd.*

27 Aug. R. O. **5872.** SIR WM. PARRE to WOLSEY.

Received his letter, dated at Hampton Court, 21st inst. Sends him a presentation to the parsonage of Thornton, void by the death of Dr. Stillington, and in his gift by grant of the barony of Kendall to his brother Sir Thomas Parr, now in his hands during the minority of his nephew. Had intended to have disposed of it to a friend "about my young lord my master;" but, at Wolsey's request, resigns it in favor of his chaplain, Dr. Constable. Stillington, 27 Aug. *Signed and sealed.*
P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

27 Aug. Harl. MS. 442, f. 106. B. M. **5873.** THE PEACE.

Proclamation to be published by the sheriff of Kent, declaring that peace is concluded between the king of England and the Emperor. The Moore, 27 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.
Modern copy, pp. 2.

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5874. [WOLSEY?] to "MR. DEPUTY" [OF CALAIS].

Vit.B.xx.268. B. M.

"Where, our Lord [be praised, is now] amity and peace concluded betwixt the [French king and] the Emperor for all their realms," the said peace [to be pub]lished within a month after the date of [the same]; the King, minding the [publication] of the said treaty for his part, has determined tha[t the] said publication shall be made [forthwith]. Sends the proclamation under the [great] seal to be published in the town and marches of C[alais]. "And to the intent that it may appear to your neighbours there that the King's hi[ghness] and his people be glad and joyous of the s[aid] peax, his pleasure is that ye shall cause [it to be proclaimed] with shooting of gu[ns] and oder convenient ceremonies . . . . . of congratulation to be made there."

ii. Memorandum of a similar letter to the warden of the Cinque Ports. *Draft, mutilated, p.* 1.

28 Aug. **5875.** GARDINER to WOLSEY.

R. O. St. P. I. 337.

As Langes is arrived here from the French king with the qualifications of the treaty of Madrid, the King desires you to send him a copy of the same, which he supposes you have, with your opinion of the demands made by Francis, which I herewith send you. The King has not yet disclosed what answer he will make, and will not determine till he hears from you. He also desires favor in behalf of friar Nicholas, of Oxford, and that some benefice may be provided for him. Please send by the bearer the articles of the treaty. Woodstock, 28 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

28 Aug. **5876.** EDW. BRYSBY to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Desires him to remember the two "copys" (copses) that the writer holds for my lord of Barnwell, one of 12, the other of 30 acres. Pays for the former 6*s.* 8*d.*; for the other, 26*s.* 8*d.* Desires Cromwell to help him that he may have it free, paying a reasonable price. Will requite him for whatever bargain he can make. Will be glad to wait on him at Barnwell, if he wishes it. Gyldynmordon, Saturday, 28 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

28 Aug. **5877.** DE PRAET and MAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 86. B. M.

* * * Have written how the English ambassadors were endeavoring to get the citation modified, and of our reply. Told the Pope yesterday that if he wished to suspend judgment for a month, to see if the King was really inclined to justice, we were content; but that he should not suspend it so long as to make them think we were lulled to sleep, when they might seize an opportunity to revive the question (*que la bolviesen en pie*), which we wanted to set at rest; that if it could be done willingly your Majesty would be all the better pleased, but if not, the matter should not be left in this perplexity; and as they wished the Pope to revoke the cause to his own personal decision, we besought him, without showing any diffidence, that he would not take upon himself such a disagreeable responsibility (*en aver de declarar contra gente tan delicada*); for since it was committed to the Rota, and then to be referred to the Consistory, his Holiness ought not to take any trouble about it.

The truth is, it would be by no means safe for the Pope to take upon himself the decision; for he might die, or times might change, or, if there were nothing worse, it would encourage the English every day to ask for

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new decretals; for great concessions are made to them even to this day, whether it be owing merely to the Pope's good faith, or to the bribery of some one of the ministers, for it is said they are very free in spending in respect of this cause. To their request that certain things in the commission should be suppressed (*que se quitasen algunas cosas de la comission*), we said if they would specify them we should be willing to concede anything that might reasonably be relaxed. Have agreed with the Pope to wait and see if affairs take any new turn since the conclusion of the peace of Cambray; for this commission was of the 25th July, when the English not only had no hope of peace, but believed and wrote that it would never be concluded. * * * Rome, 7 Aug. 1529.

Sp., modern copy, pp. 9. *The extract is in cipher in the original.*

29 Aug. **5878.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Papal breve suspending the further hearing of the King's cause till Christmas. Rome, 29 Aug. 1529.

Herbert, p. 120. Theiner, p. 564. *Copy, Lat., pp.* 2. *Endd.:* Copia brevis ad Regem, 2 Septembr. 1529.

Vit. B. XI. 247. B. M. 2. Promise of Clement VII. that in three months after the advocation of the King's cause, he will pronounce a sentence of divorce, and give the King licence by bull to contract a second marriage.

Lat., pp. 3, *draft in Sir Gregory Casale's hand.*

29 Aug. **5879.** WOLSEY to [TUNSTALL].

R. O. As Mons. Langius has arrived at Woodstock on a visit to the King, and brought from the French king certain articles, to which the King defers to make answer until he knows somewhat of my mind and opinion, I desire you to send by the bearer a copy of the treaty of Madrid, with the other articles subscribed, and also the instructions you had at your departure to Cambray. The More, 29 Aug.

Draft, with corrections in Wolsey's hand, p. 1. *Endd.:* "Restant quinquaginta millia coronarum auri de sole solvenda per Imperatorem pro quibus impignoratur le Flowre de Luce. Etiam pro indemnitate centum millia coronarum auri."

29 Aug. **5880.** CUTHBERT TUNSTAL, BISHOP OF LONDON, to WOLSEY.

R. O. Sends the writings Wolsey desires, viz., the treaty of Madrid, with articles in French drawn out thereof, and others in Latin, of offers to be made by the French king to the Emperor, signed by the said King; and "our" instructions. Asks Wolsey to send back those which will be their warrant for concluding the peace. Fulham, 29 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Legate's grace. *Endd.*

5881. WOLSEY to GARDINER.

R. O. "Mine opinion touching the French king's demands remitting the same. First, forasmuch as the French king seemeth to be [in] great necessity and that ——

"Mr. Stevynys, after my most hearty recommendations, these shall be to advertise you that this day, about 11 of the clock, I received your letters, dated at Wodstoke, the 28th day of this present month, with certain articles in French concerning as well the modification of the treaty of Madryll as also certain things demanded by the French of the King's highness†, wherein

† Correction from "the demands of the French."

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[*it hath pleased the King's highness*†] it is his Grace's pleasure to [*know my poor opinion*†] be advertised with all possible diligence of my poor opinion [*and specially in such things as be demanded by the French*†] for the accomplishing whereof according to my most bounden duty immediately upon the delivery of the premises I perused again the same, and in effect I do perceive [*that the French king's children shall by the articles of mediation that*†] as one that is not best expert in the French tongue, that the French king is bounden for redemption of his not only to pay to the Emperor [*in the lieu of lands of the duchy for*†] two millions of gold crowns, but also to discharge the Emperor towards the King's highness of all things that his Grace may by any mean or color demand of him, as well of his debts for money borrowed, [*as also*†] upon obligations, as also on pledge [*upon the pledge of the flower de luce*†], as also of the indemnity, the‡ and penalty forfeited for breaking off the marriage, which is 500,000 crowns."

Hol., corrected unfinished draft.

ii. "—— after I have instructed Mr. Boner, and he ready to depart. Item [*the said*†] Mr. Boner shall say that after two instructions were [*signed*†] ready, [*and he ready to depart, my servant*†] the messenger sent to London for the treaty of Madrell [*was*†] returned with the same, [*in the which in the article mentioning the league offensive and defensive, manner of the offension, the defence to be mutually given, there is specified the number of men-at-arms and footmen that shall be given, and requisition for common offence contra invasores aut perturbatores, there is a special mention made with what number of horsemen and footmen shall*†], wherein the manner of giving aid contra invasores et perturbatores, and expenses required, is more specially described than is contained in [*the other part of those*†] mine instructions, as it shall more perfectly appear by the reading and inspection of the said article, the same is couched with very sore and some mystical causes, ut bene ponderanti apparebat it shall be necessary in my poor opinion to have the copy of the whole treaty of Cambray in some authentic form for surety of afterclapps; [*and for knowledge*†]."

Draft in Wolsey's hand.

5882. INSTRUCTIONS TO DR. BONNER.

Cal. D. x. 394.
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"[Instructions] given by [my lord Cardinal, to Dr.] Boner, to [relate unto the King's] highness.

"First, the said Doctor shall [repair unto Mr. Stevens], and after the delivery of his . . . . . [and most hearty] recommendations he shall [open and declare] unto him the whole continue [of his charge; which] done they shall both, if Mr. [Stevens shall think] it so good, repair unto the King'[s highness to] . . . . . after the said lord Cardinal['s most humble] and lowly recommendations with [like thanks] for that it would please his [Highness not only] to communicate such charge[s as was sent unto] his Highness from his good brother a[nd ally] the French k[ing's ambassador, but also] that it would please his Majesty [to understand] his poor advice and opinion u[pon the same].

"The said Mr. Boner, therefore, shall say th[at] . . . . . in that behalf [the said] Cardinal hath diligently per[used] . . . . . the articles of the modifica[tion of the treaty] of Madril, as those also of [the French king's] demands, and by the c[ontinue of the articles of the treaty] of modification lately agreed at C[ambray] he doth [perceive that the treaty] of Madrill standeth * * *
. . . . . [Fr]ench king among [other articles of mutual] defence is bounden

† Struck out. ‡ Sic.

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. . . . . [fren]de to frende and enmy [to enmy] . . . . . e whereof, if the Emperor [as God forbid, should ever b]e enemy to the King, the [French king m]ust be the same. This art[icle] . . . . . at Amyas qualified, but in [this] . . . . . treaty I perceive no such qualific[ation] . . . . . [my] no little marvel, which is ver[y danger]ous to the King's highness. The Fre[nch king al]so is bounden by the said treaty of Mad[ril to] defend the Emperor *ad expensas proprias* [*contra omnes*] *homines mundi.* This is also d[angerous unto] the King's highness unless there be [some ot]her qualification than I see yet. [And for] as much as of likelihood the King's [highness is] comprehended in the treaty betwixt th[e said Em]peror and the French king, *tamquam p*[*rincipalis contra*]*hens*, like as his Grace hath comprehen[ded the] French king in the treaty betwixt [his said Highnes]s and the Emperor, it is to be feared [unless] that some special provision be m[ade] . . . . . king so comprehended and . . . . . ntyd therewith * * * . . . . . defence of the . . . . . [*contra*] *omnem hominem mun*[*di*, it is to] be mused at why the [whole treaty of Cambray] is not sent to the King's [highness, seeing] that his Grace is compre[hended therein] as a principal contrahent. [*Sed forte aliquid latet.*]

"Other things than these [I cannot conject to] be dangerous or prejudi[cial to the King's] highness. One other thing may [be gathered besides] this, that the whole payment, the King's debts ded[ucted] . . . . . with all other particula[rs] . . . . . performed before or at the de[liverance of the children] with reservation of all the Emperor's [titles and pretences] to the duchy of Burgon, to . . . . . .

"And as touching such requests a . . . . . King's highness on the French king . . . . . lord Cardinal which most hum . . . . . .

Corrected draft, mutilated.

Cal. D. XI. 19. B. M. 2. First draft of the preceding.†
In Wolsey's hand, mutilated, pp. 2.

5883. Wolsey to Gardiner.

Cal. D. XI. 20. B. M. "... in to France and ... King's highness would vouchsafe to ... the one as the other, and I ... me at my being in France abr ... n to his Highness and realm good service in ... difficile and tedious to ... take so much pain if it may please you by you[r good and sub]stantial pondering of every point, conferring ... well after your accustomable wisdom and dexterity to ins ... thereof, ye should do unto me marvellous acceptable pleasure ... his Highness and no little satisfaction ... traites be well and substantially .... well done in my opinion, as soon as ye have ... the oversight of the† same be remitted th ... to carry them about in your journey. And as touching the difficulty founden and contained in ... of the articles of mutual defence, and of being enemy to e[nemy, and friend] to friend, I assure you on my fidelity I did not express the said ... the King should be kindled against the French king, or ... should be innovate or altered, or any blame should be‡

† Most of the words supplied in brackets in § 1. are derived from the text in this first draft.

‡ The underlined words are crossed out in the original.

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[given to] any man, but only I was moved, for that I perceived by the . . . . . the treaty of [Madrid] did stand in his force, except in certain new qualifications, and [at] my being in France that article was thought convenie[nt to be] qualified. This, God be my judge, was only the thing that . . . . . me seen (?) at the devising and perfecting of the said instruments . . . . . seen (?) the treaties of Madrill, nor the same was not . . . . . from London, as it might appear unto y . . . . . .

"Postscripta:—And glad I am, praying God it so be, that . . . . . of my qualifications be not so dangerous as I supposed . . . . . doth and shall serve no more to the King's purpose . . . . . [Ma]drell, as it is now couched, but to be p . . . . . yon or the defence of * * * . . . . . importing . . . . . as is not impossible . . . . . intercourse and concluding of . . . . . ulte behavior maketh me percase more of . . . . . I ought to do; sed in hoc considerandum est . . . . . [I thank you, Mr.] Stevyns, for your kind and loving entertain[ment in favorin]g of my poor opinion unto the King's grace w[ho] . . . . . [a]nd to my singular comfort, hath, as I perceive by your letters, taken my doing . . . . . [And] thus most heartily fare you well."

Hol., draft, mutilated.

5884. WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Cal. D. XI. 21.
B. M.

"[Mr. Stevin]ys, this day going to dinner, and being xi. of . . . . . past, I received your letters, dated at Woodstock, the xxv . . . [of th]ys month. And incontinently, because my lord of Londo[n] . . . . . [tr]eaty of Madryll and such other articles as I concluded [with the Frenc]he king at my being in France qualifying the said tre[aty of Madr]ylle, I sent to London by post for the same, and herewith be . . . . . er I went to the perusing of the articles, and do . . . . . French king, to the intent, according to the King's commandment I my[ght inform] his Highness of mine opinion with all diligence upon the same; which I now do by [this] bearer, Mr. Bonner, by whom, what by . . . . . [com]myttyd in writing, what by mouth with your good fur[therance, the K]yng shall be advertised of my poor opinion, and with . . . . . pains I have used in the accomplishing of his Grace's ple[asure] . . . . . going to say mine evensong (?), with my most hearty commend[ations] . . . . . bid you good night, at More, at x * *"

Draft, hol., mutilated.

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R. O.
St. P. I. 338.

5885. TUKE to WOLSEY.

At my coming to court yesterday, the King, Norfolk, Suffolk, and the French ambassadors had gone out hunting. I communicated your message to Dr. Stephens. He told me the King had written to Sir Francis Brian to speak to the French king about it, rather as if to gratify him, and intimate the injury it would be to France if Scotland made an alliance with the Emperor, and to ask Albany what could be done to stop it; not as if Henry desired his coming. The King had also written to Hacket to advertise what ambassadors should be sent from the Emperor on the departure of the admiral of France (Brion). There has been a talk of sending to Charles lord Berners and the Dean of the Chapel. Gardiner will send the original inhibition. I find him well inclined to you, and not "minded to meddle with many things," but to deal with one thing, and to

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write to you what is to the purpose. He showed me the demands of the French ambassadors, and how he had sent all to you by the King's commands. Norfolk and Suffolk left early this morning. At my coming to the King's chamber, Gardiner said he had told the King of my coming, and of Brian's letter, and your opinion touching Albany, and the departure of the Admiral. I declared to the King what you commanded me, in the presence of lord Rochford and Mr. Stephens. His Grace marvelled at the difficulty made by the Duke, and said that the French ambassador had reported from Francis that the Duke should do what the King devised. I explained the reason, as well as your opinion touching my lord of Worcester. The King wished that the letters from the prothonotary Casalis should be seen by Rochford, Gardiner, and myself. The French ambassador then came to the King. On Wednesday the King leaves for Langley. The household will tarry here till he returns, which will be within two days. Woodstock, Sunday, 29 Aug. 1529.

I did not speak of Campeggio, as I thought the inhibition would be redubbed. The King said, as the French demand so many things, it will be needful to advise what shall be done.

I send this by a servant of yours going to the More.

Hol. Add. Endd.

29 Aug. **5886.** NORTHUMBERLAND to WOLSEY.

R. O. St. P. IV. 568.

Received on Thursday, 26 Aug., by Carlisle herald, "your Grace's" letters, dated at "your* manor" of Tittenhanger on the 14th, directing him to entertain the earl of Angus. Received him accordingly at Newcastle, on his repair northwards, in as loving wise as could be, all the gentlemen of Northumberland being then assembled for the administration of justice on the Borders. Hopes the King and Wolsey will be satisfied at his repair to them. Has desired Angus that his Scotch friends coming to this realm may keep good rule, as he is charged to make redress. Appulby, the King's messenger, on his return from Scotland, informed the Earl that the king of Scots had expressed his desire for meetings on the Borders. Nevertheless, the Scots have committed great attempts of late, and seemed little inclined to redress. Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 29 Aug. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. Add. Endd.

5887. THE IMPERIAL TREATY.

Add. MS. 28,578, f. 388. B. M.

"The ambassadors of the confederates (England, Venice, Ferrara, &c.) asked the Imperialists to communicate to them the projected treaty. They were convoked in a conference, and the articles which the Imperialists had given to the French were read to them.

"It was the wish of the Imperialists first to come to an understanding with the French about the peace with France, and afterwards to discuss the conditions on which peace with the other allies (England, Venice, &c.) was to be concluded. It was, however, decided that the conditions of peace with the allies were to be sealed at the same time.

"Venetians and Ferrara are to give back to the Pope all they had taken from him, and to pay to the Emperor a very heavy sum of money.—Duke of Bari.—Florence.

"Some of the ambassadors think the demands of the Emperor moderate, but others are of other opinions, and hope the negotiations will lead to nothing, especially as the Emperor asks of the king of France the restitution of the duchy of Burgundy.

* Is there not some confusion here in the writer's mind between the King and Wolsey?

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Endd.: "News which the knight commander Figueroa has sent in his letter, dated 29 August, concerning the peace which Mesdames are said to have concluded. Italian, contemporary copy, pp. 2."

Modern English abstract of an original at Simancas.

29 Aug. **5888.** DATING OF PAPAL DOCUMENTS.

R. O. 1. Notarial attestation of the deposition upon oath made at the desire of Sir Gregory Casalis, the English ambassador, by Antonio, clerk, of Cremona, as to the established method followed in the dating of papal briefs, *sub annulo Piscatoris.* Dated 29 Aug. 1529. *Seal attached.*

R. O. 2. Five similar documents, of different dates in the same month, with seals appended, and all very illegible. Three of them mutilated by decay.

29 Aug. **5889.** TREATY OF CAMBRAY.

R. O. Commission of Charles V. to Peter lord de Rosimbos, Eustace Chapuys, George de Themsike, and John de le Sauch to receive from Henry VIII. letters ratificatory of the treaty of Cambray. Genoa, 29 Aug. 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

30 Aug. **5890.** GARDINER to WOLSEY.

Titus, B. I. 303. St. P. I. 340. The King has resolved to despatch Worcester's servant, as you will perceive by his letters, which I send open to you to read and seal, not so well expressed as you would have done, but as it was the King's pleasure. He has given the man 100 crowns. I think he will not follow your advice for appointing the said Bishop ambassador to the Emperor. He desires your advice on the following points:—whether, as the Emperor will not ratify the treaty of Cambray with Francis, the King should ratify the same; 2, whether, without the ratification, he should give up the Emperor's bonds. He wishes you also to send the treaties concluded by you in France [in 1527]. This morning Dr. Bonner arrived with your opinion on such articles as I wrote to you; in which I cannot but admire your excessive pains and labors,—which I shall show to the King; but I reckon I shall have great difficulty, as he is gone out hunting, and will return very late. Woodstock, 30 Aug.

Hol. Add. Endd.

5891. MEMORANDUM FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO BONNER.

Harl. MS. 283, f. 68. B. M. "And as touching such requests as be made unto the King's highness on the French king's behalf, with the most humble protestation of resorting the same unto his Grace's most high judgment and correction,"—to the first article Bonner shall say, that, considering the French king's great necessity, and to help him to the speedy deliverance of his children, Wolsey thinks, as provision is made by the treaty lately concluded at Cambray, and days appointed by the French king for payment of the Emperor's debts to Henry, those payments to be made according to a memorial, and the first to be in November, A.D. M[l],* that after these payments ended, besides the King's yearly pension of 50,000 cr., for which the fleur de lys is mortgaged, should be paid at one payment, or at two at most, viz., in May 25,000 cr., and in November next another 25,000 cr. As to the delivery of the obligation of indemnity, and acquittances to the Emperor, and those bound for the

* Sic.

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same, Wolsey thinks some sticking should be made thereat, and also at the remission of the penalty for the breach of the marriage, that the King by at last relenting may stop their suit for remission of his pension for this year, and lending any more money; for it must be remembered that when the Great Master and the chancellor of Alençon were here, there was a discussion about the obligation for the indemnity, which amounts to 40,000 marks yearly, "till that the King hath won some moche in France," or made arrangements with France; and though the French king is bound to pay 20,000 cr. yearly, and the Emperor is discharged of so much, yet the Emperor appears still to be charged with 10,000 marks a year over, for which the Great Master and Chancellor wished to compound for 20,000; but the King will remember that my lord of London, and Wolsey, and others of the Council, "thought conscience therein," because Mary queen dowager of France was paid the arrears of her dower, which had been detained during the war; for which partly the obligation of indemnity was made;—that is to say, 20,000*l.* for the King's pension and 10,000 marks for her dowry; but it would be well if, by remission of the whole indemnity, the French king could be satisfied to forbear his demands for the remission of the King's pension for this year, otherwise I cannot see that the King has any good ground of objection. If they will press for a remission of the pension for this year, notwithstanding the giving of days for the fleur de lys, and the remission of the forfeiture for the breach of the marriage, the King might offer to forbear it by way of loan, and to stall the sum with the other new debts. And finally, rather than discourage the French king, to induce him to stick to the King's highness "and his great matter," without binding his Grace to any further capitulation for the redemption of the French king's children, the King might offer to remit the half year's pension due last May, considering that the French king was at great cost in levying men of war for the expedition of Italy. It would not be wise to lend any more money.

Thus, for lack of time, I have declared my opinion upon the French king's demands, which I hope the King will take in good part. There must also be a remembrance of such salt as is due to the King since the conclusion of the perpetual peace; and whatever is agreed to, there must be a treaty by commissioners on either side.

Draft, pp. 4. *In Wolsey's hand. The writing is particularly careless and illegible.*

Cal. D. XI. 40. B. M. 2. Corrected draft of the same.
Mutilated, pp. 4.

30 Aug. R. O. **5892.** SIR ROBERT WINGFIELD to WOLSEY.

Received your letters this morning, dated at the More, 27 Aug., with a proclamation, which I published in due form, with guns and trumpets. All are glad of the peace, especially the Emperor's subjects, considering the money he will receive. It is feared, however, that war will succeed upon the delivery of the Princes. My lord Chamberlain left here this afternoon for England, and takes with him the accounts. Calais, 30 Aug. 1529.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

5893. [WOLSEY to GARDINER.]

Vesp. C. IV. 337. B. M. "Mr. Stevyns." Has received his letters, dated Woodstock, the penult. of this month, with the instructions conceived by him at the King's command to be sent to the bishop of Worcester. They could not be devised to better purpose. Nothing is omitted which could serve to the advancement of the King's affair. In answer to the King's request for his opinion whether, if the Emperor does not ratify the peace concluded at Cambray

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with the French king, his Grace should demand and take the ratification of the peace concluded with the Emperor; considering that the peace between his Grace and the Emperor is a particular thing done and concluded apart, wherein the French king is only comprehended, and there is no mention made of anything between the Emperor and French king; and as the King's orators have sworn *in animam regis* that he will observe the articles, including one concerning the said ratification, of which Wolsey encloses a copy, he thinks the King is bound to offer and accept the ratification, although the Emperor refuses to ratify the treaty between him and the French king. There is another thing to be considered, which the French king and his Council will perhaps demand, viz., that unless the treaty of peace with the Emperor is confirmed, the King is bound to concurrence with the French king for the deliverance of his children. Supposes that if the same peace is ratified, there will be no reason for concurrence. It, therefore, serves for all purposes that the King should offer the ratification. Assures him that, whatever may be said, this treaty of Cambray is so beneficial for the Emperor, and the French king hath so humbled himself by leaving his children in the Emperor's hands, that it is not to be doubted that the Emperor will ratify it. It is more to be feared, considering his malignity toward the King's highness, that he will stick at ratifying the treaty with him. Great diligence and circumspection are therefore to be used, lest the confirmation of the treaty between the Emperor* and the French king be prevented, lest the Emperor, seeing the King left alone, be more difficult in ratifying the treaty between his Grace and him.

The thing comes much in his head, and is to be well regarded.

The obligations and quittances for the King's debts are already for the most part delivered, except for the flower de luce and the indemnity; and the French king has become debtor to the King for them, by special treaty, now lately concluded at Cambray between the orators of the two Kings, and ratified by the French king.

Gardiner knows Wolsey's opinion about the flower de luce, and obligations for the indemnity, which being delivered to the French king, he must be bound by special treaty as debtor to the King. Special provision must be made for the delivery of the Princes, or not, as in the other. Whether the peace is confirmed or not between the Emperor and the French king, the King will be in no danger, as the obligations must be re-delivered to him by the French king.

Sends, as the King commands, the writings delivered to him by the bishop of London and Mr. More. The treaties concluded at Wolsey's being in France are in London. Has sent for them, and will send them on their arrival. The More.

Offers to come to the King if he can be of service.

Hol., corrected draft, pp. 3.

31 Aug. **5894.** GARDINER to WOLSEY.

R. O.
St. P. I. 342.

The King willed me to give you his hearty thanks for your great pains taken in answering with such diligence the articles proposed by the French ambassadors. He has, however, put off his answer to the ambassadors until his return from Langley, where he goes tomorrow, and will not return till Saturday [the 4th]. Where your Grace seems to suspect the French, and impute to them the non-observance of their covenants agreed upon at Amiens touching the qualifications of the treaty of Madrid, the King was of

* Mistake for Hen. VIII. ?

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your opinion, and was much kindled, and waxed warm, thinking himself not well used; and, without speaking to me, he desired my lord of Rochford to send for me, and examine the treaty of Madrid with your Grace's instructions; which we did, and this morning had much reasoning with the King, to whom it now appears that the treaty, without the qualification devised by you, is not so dangerous as your Grace had noted, as Boner will show you. We urge you to consider *quod præterita dolere magis quam corrigere possumus.* Your qualification does not serve the King's purpose any more than as the treaty is now couched. Thus bold I am to write unto your Grace, desiring you to take it in good part. Woodstock, last of August.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. and sealed. Endd.*

5895. [FITZWILLIAM to WOLSEY?]

Cal. D. x. 234.
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. . . . . [be]twixt the Emperor . . . . . for nothing lest th . . . . . there is great appearance that they will n . . . . . much demur upon the requiring of the pensio[ns] . . . . . perpetual the pension voyager and salt. Ne . . . . . entering to the war, ner the marriage, if [the King's] highness list, ner upon none other . . . . . only the continuance of the amity . . . . . be given . . . . . ayne to empeche th . . . . . E * * *

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. . . . . our master . . . . . t whereof and in all . . . . . I refer to the King's high wisdom . . . . . his Highness will take it as a vise of him [that meaneth] well, and if the King have any appetite to have [the] marriage concluded, it would in mine opinion [be much] better done by a wise man sent into France [than by a French]man sent into Engl[and] . . . . by the personage . . . . . the . . . . . the Ad * * *

Fragment. In the hand of Fitzwilliam's clerk. Mutilated.

5896. ITALY.

Vit. B. xi. 218.
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"Articuli dati a R^mo^ et Illmo D. Legato."

1. The Italians shall be bound to contribute on this side of the mountains, until the French king's children are liberated, and the Emperor has paid his debts to the king of England. 2. Notwithstanding any contravention of contrahents, firm peace must be established between the kings of England and France. 3. The English shall not be bound so strictly to the defence of Italy as the Italians, among themselves. 4. The league is to be made only for life, and not to bind successors. 5. The Emperor's journey to Italy for his coronation shall be settled by the will of all the contrahents, not merely of the Pope and Venetians. 6. Arrangement shall be made for assisting the king of England if the Emperor declares war against him. 7. Scotland shall not be comprehended as in the peace between England and France. 8. An assignation shall be made upon the duchy of Milan.

[Answers to the above articles.]

1. Italy will be content to give as much assistance to the King until his money is repaid, as the King, on entering the league will give, and bind himself to give in future, for the necessities of Italy. 2. By any contravention of the contrahents, the alliance is not to be injured, except for those who have broken it. 3. The king of England shall not be bound more strictly to the Italians than they to him. 4. The league is to be perpetual with those who wish it, and for life for those who do not. 5. The King shall be contented that the Emperor's coming to Italy be settled according to the wish of the Pope and the Venetians, as it concerns no one so much. 6. Obligations to

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be mutual, to give as much as is given. 7. As the kings of England and France please. 8. If the King is not contented with an assignation upon the kingdom, it shall be laid upon the duchy. They hope, however, that he will be content with the former, knowing the poverty of the Duke and the devastation of the duchy. It would be in accordance with the liberty and dignity of the King to make some honorable contribution by reason of the pension.

Lat., pp. 2. *Endd.*

5897. [WOLSEY] to GARDINER.

Vesp. F. I. 63. B. M.

"Mr Stevyns." Has received letters from the bishop of Transilvania, lately ambassador for the Vaywode, now king of Hungary. Sends them, to be shown to the King, with another advertisement of news translated out of Italian into Latin. If true, it is bad news; "for yf the Turk havyng all thyngs suere at hys bake, as of lyclyhod he shall have, yf Sophy hath gyven unto hym primogenitum in pignus de Wytter* in Vien, he shall not fayle primo vere to seke themperor in Ytally, and cause hym to altere hys intendyd purpose,† and forthynck and repente hys arrival there; for when all the Almayns shalbe drawn into the Turks parte, as yt ys to be feryd that they wolbe facylly inducyd thereunto, quo milite (?) obstabit Cesar?"

Hol., draft, p. 1.

31 Aug. R. O.

5898. ROWLAND PHILIPPES, Vicar of Croydon, to WOLSEY.

I have been with the abbot of Wigmore, and showed him your gracious mind towards him, and that he should have 40 marks pension; which of late he would have taken gladly, but now, as he trusts to a great change, and specially the extinction of your authority, he refuses the offer. Either, then, he will grow to full authority, and destroy the abbey, or he must be deprived by law. I hear you have given an injunction to Thomas Heron, of Croydon, "to make no force ne to meddle with the tithe of the parsonage there," in a cause between him and a widow named Annos Warre. There is a *subpœna* directed to the same widow, who is old and impotent, to appear before you on 4 Sept. These contrary acts much slander you, and create rumors among the people, which is supposed to be done by your officers without your knowledge. London, 31 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

31 Aug. Le Glay, Négociations, II. 693.

5899. LOUIS DE PRAET to NICOLAS PERRENOT.

The conditions of the peace [of Cambray] are so advantageous to the Emperor that some deception is suspected. But even should the peace have been made with the connivance of the English, the Venetians, and the other colleagues of Francis, and with the intention of recommencing the war after the recovery of the French princes, the Emperor would still be in favorable circumstances. Rome, 31 Aug.

French.

[31 Aug. R. O. Rym. XIV. 345.

5900. WOLSEY'S COLLEGES.

Bull of Clement VII. to cardinal Wolsey for uniting certain monasteries. Rome, prid. kal. Sept. 1529.]

Lat., vellum.

* The Waywode.

† Here occur the following words, crossed out:—"yt ys to be ferryd les thys ravenosse wolf shall devore all, and all Germany shall fall yn to hym; by the mean whereof no Christen prince shall be."

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Aug. **5901.** OLIVER LEDER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks him for all his kindness. Encloses a gold royal as a token to Vaughan till their next meeting. Refers his other matters to Mr. Alen and to Cromwell. Would rather take the worse side of the balance than kindle a new war with Reynolds. Hopes for more friendly dealing hereafter, or else will rest to his own old mumpsimus. His wife desires to be recommended. Stokton, three miles from St. Neots, Monday before Bartylmew Day.

P. 1, *Hol. Add.:* To his hearty beloved Master Cromwell.

5902. LEDER and REYNOLDS.

R. O. "Certain considerations and articles to be ministered to Mr. John Alen, alderman, and Thomas Crumwell, gent., on the behalf of Oliver Leder," insisting on certain conditions for the settlement of his dispute with Richard Reynolds.

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R. O. 2. Articles "to be performed as well of the behalf of Richard Reynolds as of the part of Oliver Leder."

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5903. IRELAND.

R. O. St. P. II. 147. Instructions of Henry VIII. to Sir William Skeffyngton, master of the Ordnance, whom he has appointed deputy of the duke of Richmond and Somerset, lieutenant of Ireland.

To take with him the King's letters credential to the Chancellor and other Councillors of Ireland, whom he shall assemble on his arrival, and thereupon exhibit his letters patent, and take his admission as deputy. He shall then consult with the Council about measures to be taken for surety and defence of the land against the wild Irishry. The King has sent 200 horse, with money for their wages, and hopes the Deputy will see all differences composed between Kildare, Desmond and Ossory. The Deputy is not to make any hosting without the consent of the Council. He is to take with him the letters patent under the King's seal of Ireland, with such articles as were thought good to be enacted by Parliament, which he is to convoke with diligence. Is to consult with the Council about obtaining a subsidy without waiting for Parliament, which may not assemble till Michaelmas next;—the money to be paid in to the prior of Kilmainham, under-treasurer there. He is to send men of war to Kildare, when required, for exploits against the King's enemies:—the profits of "impositions" of beasts, &c., on such exploits "by way of patysment or agreement," to be divided between the King and the Earl. He is to keep the King informed of the state of Ireland, and see to the administration of justice, letting of farm, wards and marriages, &c.

Endd.

5904. ROGIER DU PRAT, French Merchant in London, to the KING and COUNCIL.

R. O. About nine months ago, seeing the scarcity of corn in England, imported a quantity from France, and agreed with John Alain, then Lord Mayor of London, to sell it to him at 14*s.* a qr. Has delivered him about 2,000 qrs., for which he has paid all but 221*l.* 4*s.*, which was due last June, and which he has deferred paying four months and a half.

Fr., p. 1. *Endd.*

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5905. A LIST OF TREATIES.

R. O. 1. A treaty made at Lisle, 16 Oct. 1513, beginning "Nos Margareta" and ending "decimo tertio." 2. An acquittance of Maximilian for 100,000 g. cr. 3. A confirmation of alliance with the emperor Maximilian, beginning "Maximilianus" and ending "vicesimo quarto." 4. A marriage treaty between Charles of Castile and Mary the King's sister. 5. An acknowledgment for 3,000 g. cr., by De Ligné. 6. The comprehension of the King in the treaty of Noyon. 7. "Another writing with two small green seals." *Signed:* Steven Gardyner.

5906. GRANTS in AUGUST 1529.

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1. Laurence Walker, clothier, of Hallyfax, Yorkshire. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Greenwich, 1 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

2. Thos. Grey, yeoman of the Guard, and William Almer, serjeant-at-arms. To be keeper, in survivorship, of Grove Park, Warw., *vice* Sir William Compton. *Del.* Westm., 2 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 7.

3. Raignold Cobham. Licence to export three-score tons of tallow within three years. Greenwich, 1 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Tyttenhanger, 3 Aug.—S.B.

4. Thos. Bullen, viscount Rocheford. Custody of lands and tenements in Lathingdon, Essex, &c., and in Lathingdon and Hadley. Also wardship of William s. and h. of John and Mary Strongman. *Del.* The Moore, 4 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 6.

4. John Sandforth of Appulby, Westmor., yeoman of the Crown, and Thos. Lawe of Astun, Westmor., yeoman. Pardon for the murder of Hen. Salkeld. Greenwich, 1 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Tyttenhanger, 4 Aug. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 10.

5. Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, treasurer of the Household. Wardship of John, s. and h. of John Cutte, with custody of lands in York, Essex, Surrey, and London, and of the possessions of Sir John Cutte or John Cutte, on the death of the said Sir John, or John, or Elizabeth widow of the said John, or on fulfilment of the will of the said Sir John or the said Elizabeth. *Del.* Westm., 5 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 4.

6. Wm. lord Dacre of Gillesland and Graistok. To be governor of the city and castle of Carlisle, Cumb., with 100 marks a year, and 20 horsemen at 10 marks a year, and 3 key-bearers of the city gates at 26*s.* 8*d.* a year, under him. *Del.* Tyttenhanger, 6 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 7.

7. SS. Mary and Modwen, Burton-upon-Trent, Staff. Mortmain licence to Wm. the abbot, and the above convent, to acquire lands from Wm. lord Mountjoy to the value of 6*l.* annually, and from Geo. Rawley to the value of 4 marks annually. *Del.* Westm., 7 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

8. Edm. Pekham, cofferer of the Household. Grant, in reversion, of the office of constable of Scardeburgh castle, York; also reversion of lands in Northstede, York, *vice* Sir Walter Griffith. *Del.* Westm., 8 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 6.—— Vacated on personal surrender, 28 Jan. 28 Hen. VIII.

9. Wm. Buttes, M.D. Wardship of Joan, Bridget, Anne, and Mary, ds. and hs. of Henry Bures. *Del.* Tytenhanger, 9 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 6.

10. Ric. Rawson, doctor of decrees. Wardship of Robert Wheteleigh and his family, the said Robert being a lunatic. *Del.* Westm., 10 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 6.

13. Jacobina Smyth. Pardon as administratrix of Henry Smyth, clerk or comptroller of the King's works, *temp.* Hen. VII., *alias* purveyor of materials for repairs and fortifications at Calais, *alias* purveyor of materials for building a house called "le Bankett house" at le Campe, in the marches of Calais, when the King met the French king there, &c. Tyttenhanger, 13 Aug.—S.B. *Undated. Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 4.

16. Wm. Grene, clk. Presentation to a prebend in Awkland church, Durham dioc., *vice* Thos. Horseley, resigned. *Del.* Tyttenhanger, 16 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2. *m.* 7.

20. Wm. Brereton, groom of the Privy Chamber. To be keeper of Merseley park, in the lordship of Bromefeld, marches of Wales, and a messuage near the park, with 2*d.* a day, *vice* Wm. Almer. *Del.* le More, 20 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3. —— Copy in R.O.

20. Philip Denys. Annuity of 20*l.* out of the possessions of Sir John Savage, deceased, during the minority of John, s. and h. of the said Sir John. *Del.* le More, 20 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

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20. John Brewer, of Castelcombe, Wilts, fuller, *alias* tucker. Pardon for the murder of Wm. Bole, laborer, of Westkington, Wilts, on 4 Feb. 16 Hen. VIII. Windsor, 20 Aug. 21 Hen.VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.*2, *m.*11.

29. Ric. Wolman, John Bell, Roland Lee, Wm. Claiburgh, John Oliver, and Thos. Bagard, doctors of decrees and law respectively, and John Savage and Geo. Waynewright, clks. To have the first presentation to the prebend of Erthunton, in the collegiate church of St. Mary Magdalene, Brugenorth, Salop. *Del.* the More, 29 Aug. 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 9.

29. Alen King, purveyor of wines for the Household. Licence to import 3 great gross of caps, 3 great gross of hats, and 3 cwt. Venice riband points, and other wrought silk. Windsor, 13 Aug. 21 Hen.VIII. *Teste* le More, 29 Aug.—S.B.

5907. THE DIVORCE.

Baker MSS. 12. Camb. MS.

"Epistola regis Henrici Octavi missa vel tradita Thomæ et Laurentio cardinalibus, judicibus suis a pontifice Romano delegatis." pp. 311–328. No date. "Copied from a book at Trinity College, Cambridge, [Class R. 5. 32.] wrote in a very beautiful large hand, the leaves and cover gilt (the leaves of clean well dressed vellum), probably intended either for the use of the King or one of the Cardinals his judges."

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5908. THE DIVORCE.

Copy of the Pope's avocation and suspension of the King's cause; with the following notarial attestation :— "Die prima Septembris 1529 præsens copia cum originali collata præsentata fuit R. Paulo de Capilcuzis (?), Rotæ auditori, dimisso originali in manibus ipsius R. D. Pauli, per me Jo. Serinier (?)."

Lat., p. 1. *Endd.*

1 Sept. Add. MS. 28,579, f. 106. B. M.

5909. DE PRAET and MAY to CHARLES V.

* * * The bishop of Tarbes has arrived here. * * Have already written that we have been requested, both by the Pope and the English ambassadors, to allow some modification in the divorce cause, as it might help to bring the King to reason ; and though we tell them to wait and see what order is taken since the peace, they continually urge three things, viz. :—1, that the cause should be withdrawn from the Rota, and referred to the Pope ; 2, that it should be suspended at the judgment of his Holiness ; and, 3, that the censures and penalties which touch the King be revoked.

To the first we said we had great confidence in his Holiness, but hoped he would leave the cause to the Rota, and afterwards to Consistory. To this he agreed ; and we shall see to it, because, if the Pope were to die, another Pope might not be so sure for us. To the second, we said it was unreasonable to suspend the matter at pleasure, because it would be impossible to go on until his Holiness revoked his pleasure, and that it would be better to fix a time for it. The Pope himself suggested from Christmas to Easter, because if meanwhile the King of England saw a good way for peace, another suspension might be made for four months more, otherwise the cause would be committed. To the third we answered that the royal privilege ought not to avail the King against his wife, who moreover is a queen, "y contra v. Mt. Cesarea y los Serenissimos Reyes de Ungria y de Portugal que eramos contentos, y esto hariamos por ver si se podria ganar a buenas la gracia del Rey en esta causa."

It seems that in the second article they were not satisfied unless the cause was suspended at the judgment of the Pope, who, for his part, seemed to

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desire it. In truth we know not whence comes the good will he has to this business. Ancona too has intimated the same thing to us. He thinks the bishop of Tarbes had something to do with it. The matter seemed to us of so much importance that we did not like to say we would consult your Majesty about it, fearing more artifices. The Pope said he would take an opportunity to speak to the English ambassador, and tell him to have patience. This, however, he seemed to say with much chagrin (*enojo*). Have consulted your lawyers, who all say that this point is entirely in the power of the Pope to do either the one or the other, or all three, without consulting us, and however difficult it may be for us to prevent, the revocation could not be obtained with justice. We have thought good to advise your Majesty in order that you may let us know what is right to do if these people press us more.

Two other things remain [to be mentioned] as to this article: 1, that we take care they do not hinder thereby the inhibition to the legates in England; "y esto se faze con nuestra sabiduria clausularse ha de manera que estemos al seguro;" 2, that the Pope send a brief to the king of England, exhorting him by many reasons to give up his purpose and acknowledge justice, which, however, we regard as very safe. It only remains that the Emperor order the cause to be suspended or protracted (*mande o sobreseer o enantar* (*enanchar ?*) *la causa.*)

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The above passage is apostyled in the margin :—

The Emperor approves all the proceedings of the ambassadors in this matter, but thinks, as to the suspension at pleasure, if the Pope and the English desire it, they may as well be gratified, provided the inhibition to the judges stand firm, as it will afford the king of England an opportunity of coming to a good understanding without further proceedings, if he is so minded.

Sp., modern copy, pp. 10.

1 Sept. Colbert MS. 468. v. p. 576.

5910. The BISHOP OF BAYONNE to LOUISA OF SAVOY.

Is waiting for the resolution of the affair committed to his brother. We are not without hope that he will receive an answer to content you; but if his despatch had been what was so often committed to me, and promised to the English ambassadors at the treaty of Cambray, I would have dared to assure you of it, much better than now. He and his brother write more fully to the King. Houcstock (Woodstock), 1 Sept.

Fr., from a transcript, p. 1.

1 Sept. Colbert MS. 468. v. p. 570.

5911. BISHOP OF BAYONNE and LANGEY to FRANCIS I.

According to our letter of the 23rd ult. to the Grand Master, we came last Thursday to the King hither, where he has come to hunt. Langey declared his charge. He was determined to keep his friendship with you, and was pleased with your firmness, although you had been so urgently desired by Madame Margaret to treat separately. Found, however, many difficulties, when we came to the matters which we had to propose to him; but finally our answers contented both him and his council.

Some points, however, we could not get rid of promptly, for want of information about past matters. For instance, we are in great difficulty from not being able to show a copy of the last treaty, for declaration of which the bishop of London and More have been sent for. The former being ill,

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More came alone, and said, in presence of the King and his Council, that although he had found Madame and your Council, both concerning the last treaty and other things, ready to do all that a perfect friend could do, nevertheless, when they came to the specification of the articles granted in the said treaty, they never could obtain a copy of it or hear it read, but were assured that Langey should bring it.

Henry does not seem quite satisfied at this, or at not knowing the time when your ambassadors will be with the Emperor for the ratification of the said treaty, that his may be there at the same time. Langey told him that the Admiral would be at Lyons on the 20th. He wished us to write, for perfect certainty, as he means to send an honorable ambassador, but it is not certain whom. He thinks of sending with another the Dean of the Chapel, to make the speech. He is a man of good learning and credit.

In spite of all this, and the difficulty about the indemnity and the penalty incurred for the marriage of the Princess with the Emperor, we are not without hope of obtaining your demand. The difficulty about the copy of the contract is of the greatest importance. We hope to have a final answer by next Monday. We have promised that you will send the copy of the treaty; and the sooner it comes the better. The King is going hence for three days; meanwhile his Council will try to clear up difficulties, and to find a copy of the treaty of Madrid, to which many things are referred.

Advises him to signify in his first despatch that he has heard of the good offices of Norfolk, Suffolk and Rochefort. Langey will return as soon as possible, but has been detained by these difficulties. Most of the Council were far away at their houses: the Legate is now at his house, and does not seem likely to come hither.

Whatever they have to discuss with us, they take great pains to repay us for the good cheer which has been given to their ambassadors in France. Houctok (Woodstock), 1 Sept.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 4.

1 Sept. MS. 5,499, p. 141. Bibl. Nat.

5912. Bishop of Bayonne to Montmorency.

Has little to add to the King's letters. Thinks it very bad policy to leave men who have to manage affairs so ill informed. Was never pained so much at anything; and if the English are displeased, thinks they have some reason. After having so often demanded the communication of this treaty, and so repeatedly complained to the King and the Admiral, is it not natural that suspicions should be aroused when no notice is taken of it? "Je ne vous prierai, Monseigneur, d'avoir memoire de ce que par mes dernieres lettres vous manday, esperant qu'il vous en sera survenu. Sinon y adjousteray a ceulx que vous nommeraient Monseigneur de la Hargerie qu'il serait bien, comme il me semble, pour faire ce mestier." Woodstock, 1 Sept.

Bryan will return soon, and the son of lord Rochford and another go in his place.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 2.

1 Sept. MS. 5,499, p. 184. Bibl. Nat.

5913. Montmorency to the Bishop of Bayonne.

Sends packets of letters, in accordance with the request of the king of England and Francis to see to whatever came from Rome addressed to the Pope's agents, that might concern his affair. You are to put the said packet in his hands. Francis and Madame are in good health, and leave tomorrow for Chantilly, from which they go to Paris. The Emperor is still at Genoa. Sends a packet delivered to the writer by Master Briant, to be delivered to the King. The Florentines have sent four ambassadors to Genoa, to en-

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deavor to make an arrangement with money. The Pope desires to have the state of Florence in his hands. The prince of Orange has left Rome, and will pass through Florence with 4,000 lanceknights and 4,000 foot. Compiegne, 1 Sept.

When Francis arrives at Paris, he will stay there some time to take order about the liberation of his children. The Admiral will be at Lyons on the 15th to go and meet the Emperor. Francis is much pleased with the four fine . . . . . and four "*courriers*" (*coursiers ?*) sent by Henry.

Fr., pp. 2. *From a transcript.*

[Sept.] MS. 5,499, p. 143. Bibl. Nat.

5914. The BISHOP OF BAYONNE to MONTMORENCY.

Has been very urgent with the King and Madame to obtain his *congé*, and they have requested him still to have patience, which he has the more readily agreed to, as the service he is doing here is chiefly to assist in the deliverance of the French king's children, and consequently in promoting peace in Christendom. You must, therefore, not expect me so early as I indicated by my last letters; since which the Commander and the sieur De Fontaines and Lannais have informed me that you have conducted yourself so honorably that I have reason to be satisfied. I beg you to continue from well to better. Being obliged to remain, I have ordered the sieur de Fontaines, whom I have sent into France, to sell some wood, which I would gladly have avoided. London.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 2.

1 Sept. Le Grand, III. 345.

5915. LANGEY to MONTMORENCY.

Although my brother and I, in writing to the King, dare not assure him too much of the issue of the charge he has given me, I think we shall report the good dispatch of everything, or very nearly. But I assure you the mistake of not communicating to the ambassadors there, or at least letting them read once the articles of the treaty, after telling them that a copy would be sent by me to the King their master, has created some embarrassment. As to the treaty of Madrid, to which you see I am referred, as it is said my brother has a copy, he has none, nor could he ever have had one. The King has sent to Wolsey to get it, if he has one, "afin qu'il se puisse mieulx jetter hors de tout scrupule." I expect to be despatched by Monday at the latest. Houdestock (Woodstock), 1 Sept.

Fr. Add.

1 Sept. Theiner, p. 565.

5916. CLEMENT VII. to CARDINALS WOLSEY and CAMPEGGIO.

Advoking the King's cause to Rome. Rome, 1 Sept. 1529.*

Lat.

2 Sept. R. O. St. P. VII. 197.

5917. CLEMENT VII. to HENRY VIII.

In favor of Peter Vannes, the King's ambassador. Rome, 2 Sept. 1529.

Hol., Lat. Add. Endd.

3 Sept. R. O.

5918. GARDINER to WOLSEY.

I have received from Edwards such treaties as the King desired should be sent to you. When the King has seen them, I will transmit them. As the King is not here, and I am repairing to him, I can send no resolution

* Similar to the letter to the King on 29 Aug.

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of the latter part of your letter. I trust, whatever your opinion may be of the interpretation of the treaty of Madrid, you will not judge otherwise of me, "as I perceive by your Grace's letters ye do not *quam ut boni viri officio functus videar contradicendo*, and done therein my duty" to the King and you, as one who tenders the conservation of the amity of France, *tanquam opus manuum vestrarum*. If you had been here, and seen how the King took it, you would rather have studied how by some benign interpretation to make the best of that which was past remedy, than have persisted in blaming the non-observation of covenants on the French part. As they are of no more importance than the omission of the qualification provided for by you, they will not be greatly prejudicial to the King. The clause *amici amicorum*, &c., extends no further than I wrote to you; and so it was answered to the chancellor of the Duchy, now at Cambray, by the chancellor of France. Woodstock, 3 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. and sealed. Endd.*

3 Sept. **5919.** De Praet and May to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 111. B. M.

* * * The Pope has letters from Campeggio in England, that neither by fair means nor by foul they have been able to get over him; and on urging him to give sentence, he said he was willing, and that his voice was in favor of the marriage, if they were agreed; if not, there could be no sentence. [*Apostyled in margin:* Very good.] They are much abashed, who drew the King into this matter, and some desire for his honor that the cause be revoked; but they have taken every step to prevent the citation and inhibition arriving, and being delivered soon to Campegio. And, as in this case, Wolsey remaining alone, no harm can ensue, we desire to know whether they should be inhibited; and we are going to have reformed for this purpose a brief which the Pope has ordered to be drawn up, of which a copy will be sent to the Emperor. * * Rome, 3 Sept.

Sp., pp. 13. *Modern copy.*

3 Sept. **5920.** [Northumberland] to Norfolk.

Cal. B. I. 127. B. M.

Before the writer's coming home, Thirlkeld, commissioned by lord Dacre, had secret communications with his wife. Considering this and her former dealing towards Norfolk, he has ordered his auditor, Edward Edgar, and Thomas Kelk, with George Hodgeson, "to see her entertained a great deal better than she hath deserved." Will not allow her to contrive anything against himself. Ralph Leche, and Sampson, a priest, were sent from my lord of Shrewsbury to speak with her. Encloses his servant's answer. Spoke with them in presence of my lord of Cumberland and Sir Thos. Clifford; when Leche said his lord, hearing his daughter was in some agony, sent them to give her his blessing, and to speak with her. The writer answered that they could not be allowed to invent more malicious untruths by the counsel of my lord her father, who regarded not his own honor, "nor the kindness of me, which took nothing with his daughter;" and if her father insisted on his duty to the King, and would certify he thought her ill-treated and in danger of being poisoned, he would send her over to him "with a reasonable finding." Her acts were so manifest, he would never go into her company. Lord Dacre has reported that Norfolk has sent to him to enquire if the writer's wife had the falling-sickness, and, if not, to urge him to take her part.

Put to death all the Scots of Teviotdale that came to his hands, except three, concerning whom Norfolk will understand by the King's letters enclosed what was done. As the garrisons shall be laid, and but 200 men appointed to him, reminds Norfolk that wardens have always hitherto had 500 men,—200 about their own persons, and 300 in garrison. Encloses copy

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of his proclamation, which has been well observed in the Marches, "appearing thereby unto me they dread more the pain of money than their lives." Warkworth Castle, 3 Sept.

Underneath is written: "Copy to the duke of Norfolk."

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5 Sept. **5921.** VANNES to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 214. B. M.

Wolsey would not believe what trouble he has taken in the expedition of the bulls. Could not prevent them being handed over to the apostolic scribes to be taxed. The bull for the exemption of the universities is taxed at 1,000 ducats; the union of the monasteries, at 200 ducats; the faculty of electing a bishop to punish the vices of the clergy, at 125 ducats; the indulgence for Ipswich, 150 ducats; and the union of Tenby, 25 ducats. Has obtained from the Pope leave to depart, but will not go until he has told his Holiness how little these favors deserve to be considered by the King and Wolsey.

The Germans are reported to have already passed Trent. The Emperor received the Florentine ambassadors not unwillingly. It would be beneficial to the peace if he could settle their dispute with the Pope. Thinks the Pope would give up much of his rights. The ambassador of the duke of Ferrara was told that he must first settle his affairs with the Pope. It is said that the Emperor will send to offer peace to the Venetians, or to declare war against them.

The Emperor has left his secretary at Genoa to open all letters of every one. Card. Colonna is appointed viceroy of Naples, and the brother of the marquis of Mantua remains there with the cavalry. Rome, 5 Sept. 1529.

Sir Gregory is still using the baths.

Hol., Lat., pp. 3. *The passage in italics is in cipher deciphered. Add. Endd.*

5 Sept. **5922.** ERASMUS to MORE.

Er. Ep. p. 1230.

Is delighted with the rumors of peace, for which they are indebted to Henry VIII. Speaks very highly of king Ferdinand, who has invited Erasmus to Vienna. The Turk is invading Hungary. Wishes the Emperor would assist his brother and sister. I am afraid he is staying too long in Italy, but I doubt not that he will show all respect to the Sovereign Pontiff. It does not appear to me to be expedient for Christendom, or for the Pope himself, that he should be mixed up with these princely alliances. I should like to see again the dear friends whom Holbein has exhibited in his picture. Friburg, 5 Sept. 1529.

Lat.

5923. [WOLSEY] to GARDINER.

Vit. B. XII. 224. B. M.

"Mr. Stevens, yesternight about 11 of the clock, I received your [letter of] the 4th day of this month, with two briefs, the one concerning . . . . . the other the conclusion of the league betwixt the Pope and the Emperor . . . . . There be clauses of credence to be given to the Cardyn[al] . . . . . And ensuing the King's command in the morning I was in hand commencing with [the] said Cardinal, whom, I assure you, I found very cons . . . . . and glad to set forth with the Queen's counsel, which he nat . . . . . hither, but only the bishop of Bath, that the letters cytatory[all and] inhibitorial should be executed upon the King's highness . . . . . the judges, but that the execution of the brief to me directed . . . . . su . . . . . such one like to be sent unto him with

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other letters w . . . . . credence is contained shall be sufficient, and that the Q[ueen] . . . . . to be contented with the same; whereupon breaking the matter with [the bishop] of Bath, albeit after good and long debating and reasoning . . . . . tandem he thought our op . . . . . good and to be accepted by the Queen, yet consyd[ering] her stiff heart, replenished with great mistrust and . . . . . he doubted what she would do, and without the consent of [some of] her counsel he durst not undertake that she w[ould be] induced to this way, howbeit he would not fail to in . . . . . his study and labor that the same might be accepty[d] . . . . . I can perceive by him this citation [and] inhibition that is now sent is another thing than that [whereof] the copy was sent unto the King's highness since this p . . . . . o dictum by likelihood obtained upon depositions and witness brought by the Queen's . . . . . non est hic tantus accessus. I cannot send you the copy ther[eof], for my lord of Bath hath it not here. I have caused her to [send] to London with diligence for the same, and for more of the Qweny[s] counsel, whom to induce to this the King's device I shall omit nothing that can or may be by my poor wit excogitate, and to what resolution and point I shall induce them, I shall . . . . . advertise the King's highness and you by Mr. Boner.

"[In the m]eantime it shall . . . . . the King's . . . . . trouble or unquiet his mind in this matter, nor take any [con]solation of this my writing in istam sive in ullam [materiam], but only I thought convenient to send this [to] advertise you of the receipt of yours, and in case any brief [or ot]her letters be sent to the said Cardinal, ye should [find a] way that they might be delivered unto him. On my part, there shall lack no good, faithful, and perfect [endeavor] in bringing this matter about to the King's contentation, ut obviemus conatibus [malis istorum]* reginæ qui videntur mihi ex isto modo procedendi . . . . . [m]ali."

Hol. Mutilated.

6 Sept. **5924.** ERASMUS to MARGARET ROPER.

Er. Ep. p. 1232.

Cannot express the delight which he felt on receiving Holbein's picture of the More family. Recognised every one in it,—none more than herself. Methought I saw a soul shining through this most beautiful household even more beautiful. Sends her a letter from a chaplain to Mary, formerly queen of Hungary. Begs his letter may be shown to her sisters, and his compliments to her mother Louise. I have kissed her picture, as I could not kiss herself. My best wishes to your brother John More, and your husband Roper. Friburg, 6 Sept. 1529.

Lat.

7 Sept. **5925.** GARDINER to WOLSEY.

R. O.
St. P. I. 345.

The King desired me to write to you that, partly on your advice and partly of his own opinion, he has answered De Langes. The copy of the answer, signed by my hand, I now send, adding "totts" in the margin, that you may perceive *omne consilium rei gestæ.* So when the French ambassadors resort to you, you must say to them conformably as has been said here. If the ambassadors should desire to have a letter from the King to their master of like tenor to that sent by the duke of Suffolk, for which they have pressed the King and been put over, the King desires you to satisfy them, and make some excuse.

Yesternight, I read to the King your letters, in answer to mine concerning the execution of the letters citatorial. He gives you his most hearty thanks for your labors in that behalf, and "desireth much to know the further

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resolution in that matter; and when your Grace writeth of the deliverance of cardinal Campegius' letters and breves to him directed, I assure your Grace there came never no such to my hands." Yesterday, letters arrived from Rome, directed to the King and others. Probably the packet was broken up, but the letters were not opened. The King opened all; and as they are much in cipher, he desires they may be deciphered and remitted here. The King desires the prior of Reading, who is now in prison for Lutheranism, to be set at liberty, unless the matter be very heinous. Woodstock, 7 Sept.

The ambassadors of France have taken their leave, and are on their way to you.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. and sealed. Endd.*

7 Sept. R. O. **5926.** BRIAN TUKE to WOLSEY.

As Mr. Stephens advertises you of the despatch of De Langes, and sends other papers, I will not be remiss in my duty to you. De Langes has 100 marks in reward. Woodstock, eve of Our Lady's Nativity, 1529.

The King was not willing that Bryan should meddle in the answer, because the French king has not spoken to him, nor has he written on the subject, and he might possibly fall into some mistake.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

7 Sept. Add. MS. 28,579, f. 122. B. M. **5927.** DE PRAET and MAY to CHARLES V.

* * * * The matrimonial cause of England, nevertheless, is suspended from Christmas to Easter, "y quien da las censuras y penas quanto a la persona del Rey;" but as we fear the inhibitions may not have arrived, and if they come after the suspension they will have little effect, as the English can choose judges not inhibited, we endeavor that the *motu proprio* already given to the English ambassador, and presented in Rota, should come into the Pope's hand, and be altered in such a way that the suspension should not be included in the inhibition of the judges; and besides it was changed so that only those censures should be removed which apply to the King. This we have done, that if the King meanwhile should in fact marry another, it should be null, on pain of *litis pendentia* and express inhibition. * * Rome, 7 Sept.

Sp., modern copy, pp. 18.

8 Sept. Vit. B. XII. 172 b. B. M. St. P. I. 347. **5928.** STEPHEN GARDINER to [WOLSEY].

I have caused Bonner and Kerne to speak with the King, who likes your device for superseding the cause, if the Queen can be induced thereto, and he trusts to your dexterity. If this cannot be, he is content the inhibition should be executed upon you and Campeggio, as he has told Bonner and Kerne. Woodstock, 8 Sept.

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8 Sept. Er. Ep. p. 1233. **5929.** ERASMUS to MOUNTJOY.

Has received the Queen's present with great pleasure. Admires much her piety and learning. In these she resembles Maria, formerly queen of Hungary, as Mountjoy will see by the letter sent to Margaret Roper. Approves of his desire that the name of Mountjoy's son Charles should be added to his own in the dedication to the *Adagia*. The Ciceronians are opposing him for preferring that, in good Latin, Christian and not pagan

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phraseology should be employed. Begs he will urge the Queen to read his *Vidua Christiana*. Hopes that cardinal Campeggio has long since dispelled that little cloud, of which Mountjoy knows. Friburg, 8 Sept. 1529.
Lat.

9 Sept. R.O. **5930.** SIR ANDREW POWES, Priest, Receiver (?) of Guernsey, to CROMWELL.

Requests his aid and advice in some business he has in my lord Cardinal's court, of which the bearer, Master Fashon, will inform him. Guernsey, 9 Sept. 1529.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Cromewell, by the Frears Augustines in London.

9 Sept. MS. 5,499, p. 183. Bibl. Nat. **5931.** MONTMORENCY to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

In accordance with his letter of the 1st inst., sends him a copy of the treaty of Cambray. Would have sent it sooner, had he not thought about the treaty of Madrid, according to which everything has been conducted in the conclusion of the peace. Has begun a copy of the latter, which shall be sent, if necessary. Madame's company are in good health, and have come hither on their way to Paris. The Admiral is to be at Lyons on the 18th or 20th at latest, to meet the Emperor, who is still at Genoa. There is still time for the king of England to despatch ambassadors, who may be there as soon as the Admiral. The Emperor, it appears, has chosen Mons. de la Chault to come hither for the ratifications.——Has just heard that the Emperor has left Genoa, and may be now at Piacenza. Thinks he will have more work in Italy than he expects, for he has come at a very bad time. He caused the peace to be published at Genoa with very great ceremony. I do not write to your brother, because I suppose he has left on his return home. Escouan, 8 Sept.

Sends news of the Turk, who is advancing with great power.
Pp. 3, *Fr., from a transcript.*

10 Sept. Suckling's Suffolk, II. 391. **5932.** CARDINAL'S COLLEGE, IPSWICH.

Lease by Thos. Rushe to Wm. Capon, D.D., dean, and the fellows of Cardinal's College, Ipswich, of the manor of Brustonhaugh, in Heveningham, Suffolk, for 21 years, at a yearly rent of 3*l.* 10 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII.

R.O. 2. Indenture of lease of tithes in Falcenham, Suff., from Wm. Capon, the dean of the College of Ipswich, to Rich. Hert, of Falcenham. *Seal of the College.*

10 Sept. R.O. **5933.** JOHN COOKE to —— BETTS, Customer of Southampton.

Master Chancellor and I spoke to the vicar of Southampton, and the yeoman of the Guard, for the farm of the chantry, "without lease sufficient or authority from Master Doctor Capon." They said I was the cause of their trouble. The yeoman will not void till Michaelmas twelvemonth, and said he would speak with Mr. Cromwell to have the lease tried. I told him the lease was made by my lord of Durham "after he was elect to his bishopric, and after that he had left the chantry to my lord's Grace's disposition." I warned the vicar, in my lord's Grace's name, that he should not venture to put any one in without my lord's Grace's pleasure; that the lease was void if made in Dr. Alyn's time, as the chantry had been dissolved many years ago. Romsay, 10 Sept.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

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10 Sept. **5934.** St. Martin's, Battle, Chichester dioc.

P.S. Assent to the election of John Hamond as abbot of the above monastery, *vice* Laurence Champion. Woodstock, 9 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII. *Teste* le More, 10 Sept.

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ii. Petition for the above. 13 Aug. 1529.

10 Sept. **5935.** Du Bellay to Montmorency.

MS. Colbert, 468 V. p. 206. Begs credence for the bearer touching his congé. London, 10 Sept. Forgot to speak about hackneys. Will send him four in six days, though it is difficult to get good ones. Men have been here four months choosing four for Francis.

Fr., from a transcript.

[12] Sept. **5936.** Stephen Gardiner to Wolsey.

Vit.B.xii.171. B. M. St. P. i. 343. On the arrival of your servant, Forrest, I repaired to the King, and read him your letters. The first part of which, showing how you had induced the Queen's counsel to be content with exhibiting the brief, instead of the letter citatorial, was very agreeable to him. He hopes, if the Queen should afterwards retract, she shall not be able to do so, but this her act, done before you and Campeggio, may prevent her from proceeding at Rome, or gaining any citation hereafter. With regard to your request for a personal interview with the King, he was somewhat troubled, being not able to conjecture what the matter should be you could not as well commit to writing; and he desired me, therefore, to despatch Curzon to you, desiring to have under your own hand the *caput rei* which you mean, whether it be foreign or domestic; and if the former, touching what potentate; and if relative to the divorce, the briefest note of it; or relative to the realm, so to touch it that you can explain it further when you arrive, and relieve the King from this agitation. Woodstock, [12] Sept.

Hol. Add. Endd.: Dr. Stevyns, 12 Sept.

12 Sept. **5937.** Charles V. to his Ambassadors at Rome.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 138. B. M. * * * Approves of what has been done in relation to the queen of England. But as to the suspension, &c., (as in apostyle to their despatch of 1 Sept.) Approves of the brief which they say has been despatched. * * *

Sp., pp. 12. *Modern copy. The passage extracted is in cipher in the original document.*

12 Sept. **5938.** James Earl of Desmond to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 145. B. M. Since my youth all the lords of Ireland, and many of other nations, have waged continuous war, and made conspiracies against me, which by Divine grace I have been able to resist and revenge. The English and their deputies in Ireland, in accordance with the prayers of my enemies, do not cease to injure me, and, among other things, have taken 100,000*l.* of my goods in the hands of merchants sent by me to procure wine and other merchandise.

Begs the Emperor to assist him by sending wine and other goods for his expenses, with soldiers and ships, that he may attack therewith the Emperor's enemies, viz., the *Fransiginæ.* With his assistance could expel them from every port in Ireland.

Asks the Emperor to stipulate for restitution of his goods, if he makes peace with England.

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Holds the chief power in the ports of Ireland from Dunkyn to Waterford, as the Emperor can learn from his sailors. "Ex manerio meo de Insula." 12 Sept. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2. *Add. Modern copy.*

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 330. B. M.

2. "Pour la responce au conte de Wismont en Irlonde de par l'Empereur." The Emperor has received his letters, and heard the report of his chaplain; and thanks him for his good will. The Emperor will be always well disposed towards him, and will order his subjects to be well treated in his dominions. He cannot write a longer letter, as he is just starting for his voyage to Italy, but will send to him again on his arrival, and desires to hear from him.

Fr., p. 1. *Modern copy.*

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5939. GARDINER to WOLSEY.

The King has signed a bill in favor of Rokwod, the bearer, desiring he may return to Calais to be present there at "the hering time." Woodstock, 13 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

13 Sept. R. O. St. P. VII. 198.

5940. GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.

Was preparing to apply himself to the business contained in the King's letters by Andrew, when a courier arrived from Rome, going to England. As he could not wait, did not like to despatch him without a letter announcing that Andrew would return in two or three days. Hopes to persuade him that he is right in his opinion respecting the mode of date in the papal briefs. Paris, 13 Sept. 1529.

Hol., Lat. Add. Endd. by Henry VIII.

13 Sept. Stapleton's Vita Mori.

5941. SIR THOMAS MORE to "MRS. ALICE" [LADY MORE].

I am informed by my son Heron of the loss of our barns, and our neighbours' also. The loss of so much corn is a pity, but we must not only be content, but be glad of God's visitation. Perhaps we have more cause to thank Him for our loss than for our winning, for His wisdom sees best what is good for us; so pray be of good cheer, and take all the household to church, and thank God both for what He has given and for what He has taken from us. "I pray you to make some good ensearch what my poor neighbours have lost, and bid them take no thought therefor; for if I should not leave myself a spoon, there shall no poor neighbour of mine bear no loss by any chance happened in my house." Begs her and the children to be merry, and consult with friends about providing seed corn for the coming year. Expected, on coming here, to remain with the King; but intends now to get leave next week and come home. Woodstock, 13 Sept. 1529.

14 Sept. Le Grand, III. 347.

5942. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Received yesterday his letters of the 10th inst., with this blessed treaty of Cambray, "qui tant s'est faict achapter," that now it would only serve to renew disputes; first, because it makes no special provision for what the king of England demands, although it is more advantageous for him than we were able to tell him, not knowing of the 26th article; and, secondly, because it does not speak of the penalty for the marriage, and (which is a hard hit to us) specifies almost definitely the sums we have promised, which, I think, do not amount to more than the obligations which I understand have been delivered at Calais. I do not see how to set this

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right again; for those here may say that we demand of them more than we are bound to give, and want to make a profit of the difference. So I had rather let the sleeping dog lie, and await the conclusions you have taken on my brother's arrival, before doing more.

My brother will have told you the great perplexity we have had from the article in the instructions delivered to him, stating that the 3rd, 4th, and 10th articles in the treaty of Madrid were to be followed, that this clause had been left out, and that other articles were to be changed. Think what they will say even now, when they see we have not communicated that article to them. I think that there never was such a despatch, and I trust you will set it right as soon as possible. It is true, that if you will grant this King what he asks through my brother, all will be readjusted. If so, the sooner the better, that I may be able to promote your affairs, and to sue that Master Boulant, when he leaves, which I think will be at Michaelmas, may carry you a good despatch.

As to what was written to me, "de par vous l'Esleu Berthereau," about the Legate, I thought I had done enough for the time to satisfy both the Admiral, you being at Cambray, and yourself, on the arrival of my brother here, when I spoke to you of the choice of an ambassador speaking French. I could not tell you particulars, for I did not wish suddenly to assure you of anything, of which I was not certain myself; for though I saw great appearance of it, I still see much matter of doubt. If I had found means to go to court before my brother's arrival, I could have informed you sooner, and more certainly. But though I have been crying daily to the Admiral and Robertet, as my letters show, I have only had two despatches in two and a half months, one of which you caused to be sent me when you went to Francis. I have, therefore, been compelled to leave everything till the departure of my brother. Yesterday I received letters from your ambassadors of Hungary, which I send you, having first looked at them to see if there was anything which could be of service here, and taken copies, which I am now sending to this King, along with the information sent by you from Venice about the Grand Turk. I have heard from Flanders that the said Turk was some time since at Buda, and news had just arrived that those of Nuremberg had sent to treat with him. I do not write to Francis, as I should not know what to say to him. I hope you have explained to him the reasons for which I have so often desired my recal. London, 14 Sept.

P.S.—Yesterday the Emperor's ambassador, who came here lately, left London. Today he goes with Wolsey and Campeggio to see the King, and endeavor to take his leave, as he has had his recal. I think he will obtain it, and be off as soon as possible. I must not forget to tell you that Master Bryant, leaving in such favor as he did, carried with him the finest gelding in this court, and he said he had one for you, such as I had described to you. This is not to put you in mistrust of receiving a stallion (*ung entier*), which I now send you. Meanwhile keep mine at Brethueil, fed on sheaves till Michaelmas, otherwise he will founder suddenly.

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14 Sept. **5943.** NICHOLAS RAINCE to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 352.

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Some days ago, Master Peter Vannes, after obtaining by the king's (Francis's) favor, through the medium of the bishop of Tarbe, the brief for suspending the process (*le bref de la surceance du procez*) of the king and queen of England, came two or three times before the said Bishop, requesting him to make use of the name of the said lord (Francis?), and to request the Pope for the expeditions *gratis* that he was commissioned to make for the

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English universities, which would have amounted to no less than 2,000 or 3,000 crowns. This his Holiness has granted willingly to De Tarbe, although it will be necessary, according to the constitution, and rights of the officers, to make it good to them out of his own purse. At all events the English cannot say that they have not been well treated. The men of the duke Francis Flore (Sforza?), with one of his secretaries, whom he sent to the Pope, have pressed him very strongly to learn the particulars of the peace: to which, as he informed me, he made a very pertinent reply, without spoiling anything; and sent the secretary back, mainly because he has heard that the Duke is resolved to do whatever the signory of Venice does. Nevertheless, he has, with their permission, sent the president of his Senate to the Emperor; but his Holiness thinks that it is only *pro forma*. Rome, Tuesday, 14 Sept. 1529.

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5944. Wm. Brabazon to Cromwell.

Has been at Lichfield several times. Mr. Surveyor, Mr. Dean, and all the masters and canons never met till Sept. 13, on which day the release concerning the pension of Aston Bremycham was solemnly sealed in the chapter house. Mr. Surveyor will bring it, with other evidences, next term, and receive the King's patent and other writings, for lack of which the release was not delivered. The abbot of Meryvale is very short of money, but at Christmas he will pay most part of his duty to Crumwell. He sends a token of 53*s.* 4*d.* as a reward for Crumwell's trouble at his election. Will not be back till after Michaelmas. Lichfield, 15 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his right worshipful master, Master Thomas Crumwell, Esq., besides the Augustynes Friars, in London. *Endd.*

18 Sept. Le Grand, III. 354.

5945. Du Bellay to Montmorency.

I write to prevent your being anxious, because I mentioned in my last that the Legate had desired me to come and see him. I did so next day, and found him and Campeggio determined to go to the King, for the despatch of the latter, who expects to leave within 10 or 12 days. I think they would like to treat him at his departure rather more graciously than they had intended to do, hoping that there may be some change at Rome, if the Emperor treat the Pope as badly as they expect he will; so that Campeggio might still be of use to them, or at least not do them injury, as he would if ill treated at his departure. Wolsey's object in sending for me was to have another conversation with me about the divorce, urging me most strongly, both on his own part and his master's, to help them to consult with the French divines. He begged I would find an opportunity to cross the sea on some other pretext, and consult with those who can help them, with the permission of Francis and Madame, using the same terms about it to me as he did to my brother. I said that, knowing their wishes, I had already asked leave to go and see my father, who was very ill, and wished my presence to make a division of his goods. He approved of this pretext, and begged I would petition for my *congé*, and arrange for some one to take my place, in whom I should have confidence. Incidentally, during two days that I was with him, he spoke of the practices of this court, not showing himself so much vexed with them as I am sure he is. I have less hope than before of his influence, from the conversation I have had with him, for I see he trusts in some of his own *protégés* (*aulcuns faits de sa main*), who, I am sure, have betrayed him (*luy ont tourné la robe*). I should never have believed that they would have been so wicked; and the worst is that he does not understand it.

Even if I had not the above occasion to ask for my recall, I should be

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obliged to press for it for another cause. Since my brother's departure the plague has broken out among my household; and, in spite of repeated changes of lodging, my principal servants being dead, I have been unable to refuse leave to the others to go home, so that I am now quite alone. Considering the intercourse I have already had with people, I am in no great fear, but you may consider yourselves as having no ambassador here at all. Besides, I was told yesterday by the Grand Esquire (Boleyn), who is to leave in 15 days, with the dean of the chapel (Stokesley), to go to the Emperor, that he does not think the King his master will let me speak to him for two months. It would be well, therefore, to send over at once him whom I suppose you have already chosen, with an answer to the despatch of my brother, and that he may come in post, and find me here, letting his train come after him, so that I may put him in the way with the King, and perhaps introduce him to some of the Council, if there are matters to discuss; which, however, I do not imagine, considering the assurance Wolsey has again renewed to me. The new ambassador need be in no fear of the plague, for the danger has much diminished, except in this neighbourhood, and I expect in 15 days it will have altogether abated. I have been this morning with the Emperor's ambassador, who has given me as good a reception as I could have asked for. I had previously asked Wolsey's advice about it. If his master conducts himself towards Francis in as honorable a manner as the ambassador promises, it will be well. London, 18 Sept.

P.S.—Enclosed is a memorandum of the sums furnished by this King, which he wishes to have declared in the despatch which he asks for, through my brother; in addition to which there is the part touching the *fleur de lis*, which they would like put with the others.

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20 Sept. **5946.** FLORENTIUS VOLUSENUS to CROMWELL.

R. O. Writes at the request of his friend John Bekynsaw, a young man of good learning, to bespeak Cromwell's interest in behalf of his brother. By advancing his affairs Cromwell will gratify both the writer and his master the Dean.—The Turk has conquered the whole of Hungary, and the Waywode of Transylvania is said to have joined him. He has given the chief bishopric, that of Fünfkirchen (*Quinquecclesiensis*), to the son of the doge of Venice. Some say the Turk has not come in person, but his deputy Imbri Bassai, with 150,000 men, and that Vienna too has been taken. The Emperor is in Italy on his way to Rome. The Swiss are going to send troops against him, and will be joined by the Venetians, Florentines, and the duke of Ferrara. Francis is at Paris hunting. Hears some painful rumors about his patrons. Begs remembrances to Anthony Bonvisi and Geo. Lauson, his wife and daughter. Paris, 20 Sept.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* Venerando domino et amico meo præcipuo, Thomæ Crumuello, Londini.

20 Sept. **5947.** For SIR ROBT. WINGFIELD, Deputy of Calais.

R. O. Grant of a marsh called Measnebroke, in the lordship of Marke, in the marches of Calais, abutting on the Couswade Marsh on the east, and a stream leading from Guysnes Plashe to the Isle of Colne on the west, which stream divides the King's land from the French land between the Plashe of Audern and the bridge called the Cow Bridge on the south, and the foss called Symms Dyke, leading eastward and westward from the west corner of Colnhill by the Colnebank to the Couswade on the north. Dated in the treasury of Calais, 20 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII. *Witnesses:* Sir William Husey,

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comptroller of the town, and Robt. Fowler, vice-treasurer. *Endorsed with a memorandum* that this grant was enrolled among the charters of the Great Hall of Calais in the time of Ric. Patryk, mayor, 21 Hen. VIII. *Seal attached.*

5948. OLIVER LEDER.

R. O. Award made by Thomas Cromwell, Paul Wythypoll, merchant, William Gonson, and William Duckett, grocers of London, between Oliver Leder, fishmonger, of London, and Richard Reynold, mercer, in matters touching the execution of the will of Francis Bawdwyn, draper, of London.

Mercantile transactions in Spain are referred to, and certain letters of Andrew Wodcok, dated Sent Lucas, 20 June 1528.

Draft corrected by Cromwell, pp. 11.

R. O. 2. Declaration by Richard Davy, merchant taylor, and John Whalley, fishmonger, of London, of an examination of the accounts of Richard Reynold and Francis Bawdwyn, at the request of the arbitrators. Dated 20 Sept. 1529, 21 Hen. VIII.

21 Sept. **5949.** TUKE to WOLSEY.

R. O. Have heard that my poor wife is sore vexed with a passion *in iliis.* She has been once or twice in danger of her life, but being at London had speedier remedy than she can have in a village. I have obtained leave to see her, and return to the King at Windsor. The instructions for Mr. Boleyn and Carew are written. The other for Scotland I will bring to Windsor. The letter to lord Dacre has been signed and sent. I have also written to Ichingham, and I have left here letters in French ready made to the French king and my Lady, in recommendation of cardinal Campeggio. Grafton, St. Matthew's Day, 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

21 Sept. **5950.** NIC. ALEXANDER to THOS. KNOT.

R. O. Received his letter by the post, but there is not much answer to what he wrote by Mr. Hampto[n's] servant. Wonders what is the marvellous news of which he speaks. Has two of his blades at Paris and one here, which are only waiting for a messenger. Would have sent one by this bearer, but he would not carry it, as it is dangerous riding in post with them. Will send them to Calais, to Thos. Tucket, who will forward them. Orleans, 21 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my well beloved brother, Thos. Knot, clerk with Master Hawte.

22 Sept. **5951.** WOLSEY'S COLLEGES.

Add. MS. 5847, f. 159. B. M. Licence by Cardinal Campeggio, bishop of Salisbury, to Wolsey, to take timber from the manor of Sonnynge, Berks, for his college at Oxford; and confirmation of his appointment of Wolsey as his proctor in the said diocese. London, 22 Sept. 1529.

Lat., modern copy, pp. 2.

22 Sept. **5952.** The CASTLE OF CARLISLE.

R. O. i. Commission to Christopher, prior of Carlisle, Sir William Pennyngton, Sir John Ratclyf, and Ric. Irton, to survey the castle of Carlisle, and to deliver the ordnance found in it to Sir Thomas Clifford, and the castle to William lord Dacre, making an inventory of the former. Tyttenhanger, 7 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII.

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The Castle of Carlisle—*cont.*

ii. Indenture made 22 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII. between the prior of Carlisle, &c., and Wm. lord Dacre, containing the report of the commissioners, who find that the gates of the utter ward, being of wood, are wasted away, and "the thak of the said gate-house is theked with lead," which is in great part cut and gone, so that the rain comes through, and "hath rotten the baulkes, wall plaites, dormonts, and floor under the same, and down through the vault into the prison, being the King's gaol of the shire of Cumberland," which is thus in great danger of falling down. The ordnance house, which is theked with stone, is almost fallen, the timber and baulks rotten. The gates of the inner ward are of iron, and the gate [house] is theked with lead, which, with the gutters, is much decayed, so that the rain comes through. The baulks, dormonts, wall plates, and floor are rotten, and in danger of falling. The kitchen, theked with stone, is clean gone down; its timber rotten. The steward's chamber, and others, theked with stone, are also gone down. The hall is like to fall. The pantry, theked with stone, is almost gone down; the rain passes through the floor into the buttery, and rots the timber. The bakehouse, theked with stone, is almost down. The gallery between the hall and the great chamber is clean gone down. The stone with which the great chamber is theked has fallen, and the rain hath rotten a part of the sellering of the roof. The chapel and closet are theked with stone, part of which has fallen. The closet chimney has fallen, and the parlour under it is ready to fall. The gallery between the great chamber and the warden's tower clean gone down. The warden's tower is theked with lead, which is full of holes, which hath rotten the great baulks and dormonts under the roof. The little wardrobe above the site of the tower, with a closet under, is in danger of falling. The "norcey" clean gone down. The great tower, called the Dungeon, is theked with lead, which is broken and decayed, so that it rains through, and rots the baulks and dormonts of three houses under. The artillery is of small effect and little value, and should be renewed at once. Signed and sealed by the commissioners.

iii. Indenture made 22 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII. between the above parties, witnessing the delivery to lord Dacre of the castle of Carlisle, with the artillery, consisting of 23 iron serpentines, six of them with axletree pins of iron. A small serpentine of brass, of a foot long, ill stocked. Nine other serpentines. 45 chambers. One slayng of iron. Four hagbushes. One pot-gun. 560 pellets of lead for serpentines and hagbushes. Two bombards. Some gunstocks, stone shot, gunpowder, bows, arrows, cart-bodies, wheels, &c., including some kitchen and other utensils; also a large watch-bell in the tower.

23 Sept. **5953.** Th. Alward to Cromwell.

Vit.B.xii.173. B. M. Ellis, 1 Ser. i. 307.

I have delivered [your letters] to my Lord's grace (Wolsey), who immediately read them, and took them into his own possession. I say this because I never saw him do the like before. He heartily thanks you for your advertisement from time to time of such things as you have written to him. Touching the reports which are circulated against him, as far as may appear to him and his servants, they are marvellously false. In this vacation divers letters were written, by the King's commandment, from [Mr. Ste]vyns unto my Lord, and his opinions at sundry times desired; and he replied to them, and sent his servants with oral instructions to the King. At his going and return from court he was treated by the nobility and gentry as usual.

On Sunday last he and Campeggio were received at Greenwich by the King with his usual favor, and the King talked a great while with my Lord,

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and immediately after dinner he went into the King's privy chamber, for the space at least of two hours. Afterwards my Lord and the Legate returned to their lodgings at Empson's Place. Monday morning he went again to the King, and with him sat at the Council all the forenoon, and in the afternoon they both took their leave, the King going a-hunting. My Lord sat with the Council till it was dark night. Suffolk, Rochford, Tuke, and Stevyns showed as much observance to him as before. "What they bear in their hearts, I know not." If you could mark the chief movers of these reports you would do his Grace a pleasure. My Lord, who will be at London on Monday next, will be glad of your return. Campeggio leaves shortly St. Alban's, 23 Sept. *Signed.*

Mutilated. Addressed.

23 Sept. **5954.** H. Earl of Northumberland to Wolsey.

R. O.

Had a supplication presented to him when sitting upon justice in Northumberland this last assize, along with Master Fithherbart and Master Spylman, touching wrongs done to John Eryngton about lands in Wolsey's liberty of Hexham. Was asked to pluck it out of the Liberty into the King's Court of Oyer Determiner, as they feared Dacre, who is Wolsey's officer there, and Hogill, his surveyor, to be partial. Will never consent to anything against Wolsey's honor, and forwards the supplication. Fitzherbert and Spilman say the law is plain in Eryngton's favor. Lekyngfelde, 23 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Cardinal. *Endd.:* Letter[s] from my Lord Steward, my lord of Northumberland, and my lord of Comberland.

23 Sept. **5955.** Montmorency to the Bishop of Bayonne.

MS. 5,499, p. 171. Bibl. Nat.

Will say nothing more of the satisfaction expressed by Francis and Madame, or of the report made to them by Langeais. A little memorial is sent to him to be used as an instruction, if needful, though Du Bellay hardly requires it, to express the thanks of Francis to the king of England. You are to send an answer as soon as possible, after doing what you can to obtain what is expressed therein. The bishop of Paris is very ill, and cannot live long. Has asked for his bishopric for Du Bellay, which the King has willingly granted, along with the abbey of St. Mor.

Albany is about to go to England, which Francis is willing that he should do whenever Henry sends for him. Sends an extract from a letter sent from Mons. de Tarbe at Rome in cipher, showing what he has done in the matter of the king of England. Is to communicate to the King also an advertisement Francis has received from his ambassadors in the country of the Leagues, of the 16th inst., touching the news of the Turk. Paris, 23 Sept.

Has delivered 200 cr. to a man of the duke of Suffolk, to take to . . . . . .

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 3.

23 Sept. **5956.** Francis I. to the Bishop of Bayonne.

MS. 5,499, p. 185. Bibl. Nat.

Has learned on the return of De Langeais the manner in which Du Bellay has executed his charge. Is quite satisfied with all he has done. The answers made by Henry to all the points in Langeais' instruction show more than ever his indissoluble amity, and his desire to gratify Francis in everything. Du Bellay is to assure the King how strongly Francis feels his obligation to him, and that he will never feel at ease till he has an opportunity of showing it. Is to make answer on the point of which Langeais has spoken, according to a memorandum sent herewith. Paris, 23 Sept. 1529.

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24 Sept. **5957.** FRANCIS I.

MS. 5,499, p. 184. Bibl. Nat.

"Mémoire envoyé par le Roi."

After expressing the great satisfaction of Francis at the report made by Langeais of Henry's cordiality, Du Bellay is to say that when Langeais was last despatched to England, Francis was pressed to give a promise that he would get the Emperor acquitted of the penalty he had incurred by the non-fulfilment of the marriage between himself and the princess of England; and that Henry, out of his affection for Francis, has been willing to comply, remitting it to Francis; but being informed by Des Barres of the Emperor's answer on this point, releasing him from his said promise, Francis feels the greatest possible satisfaction, as he will not require to take of his good brother such excessive sums. Du Bellay shall therefore thank him very cordially for the honorable offer he has made, for which Francis is as grateful as if he had accepted it, and shall say that he does not desist on that account from pressing the Emperor for the said penalty.

He is also to thank Henry for his liberality to Francis, for the gift of 50,000 cr., to do which he has pledged to him the *fleur de lys* of the Emperor, which sum he has given for the deliverance of his children, as he has notified to him by Langeais. As to the fear entertained by Henry that if the Emperor's affairs prosper in Italy he might delay the deliverance of the children, Du Bellay shall request the King to fulfil his promise, and send over the said jewel under such security as he may think proper, or to give it to the bishop of Bayonne. He is to request Henry, in consideration of Francis' great expences, to acquit him of the pension for the approaching term of All Saints. This he is to urge as strongly as possible. He is to inform Henry that all diligence is made to obtain money for the recovery of the said children, and that a good sum has already been collected, but that, if any difficulty be found in raising the rest, he hopes England will assist him in his need to the extent of 100,000 or 200,000 cr., if required, on good security. He is also to thank Henry for his handsome present. Paris, 23 Sept.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 4.

24 Sept. **5958.** CHARLES V. to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 199.

Credence in favor of his ambassador, Eustache Chappuis. Piacenza, 24 Sept. *Signed.*

Fr. Add. Endd.

24 Sept. **5959.** DE PRAET and MAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 175. B. M.

Your letter was given to the Pope, and he answered as he had already told us, that he would come to Bologna, and that they should leave on the 4th or 6th Oct., to be there four or five days before All Saints; and now he says that if Florence is reduced (*se reduce*) it may be earlier. As to providing that the kings of France and England should send powers by the time that your Majesty and his Holiness should agree, he answered, like a man prepared, that this had been already arranged, both with the French and with the English ambassador. On our pressing him to send a servant of his own to solicit it, he said he would, and suggested the bishop of Coma, or Gregory Casal, who is now here as ambassador for England. We must see that he make up his mind soon. Rome, 24 Sept. 1529.

Sp., modern copy, pp. 2.

24 Sept. **5960.** TUKE to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Lawrence Bonvixi has been here, and showed me that you respited the sealing of the licence of wools made and sped by Sir Francis Bryan in the name

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of John Campuche, until Sir Francis wrote to you. As the said Lawrence is very good to my lord Audeley for my sake, I must be a suitor for him, and that he may perceive that "though Sir Francis Bryan may do much with your Grace, yet your own poor Brian may do somewhat." Portgore, 24 Sept. 1529.
Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

25 Sept. **5961.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to WOLSEY.

R. O.
St. P. VII. 199.

Is informed by the Imperial ambassadors that the Emperor is highly pleased with the peace, and intends to write very kind letters to Wolsey. The Pope and the Emperor will meet at Bologna to settle the affairs of Italy. Offers his brother the prothonotary, if the King proposes sending any ambassador there. The Emperor is very complaisant to the Pope, and requires the duke of Ferrara to restore Reggio, Modena, &c. No agreement has yet been made with the duke of Milan. The Turk has advanced far, has taken Buda, and turned his steps towards Vienna. It is supposed that the Venetians have invited him. They refuse to send any ambassador to the Emperor.

Sends news about Italy. If the duke of Ferrara is deserted by the Venetians they will probably comply with the Emperor's demands. Account of the Emperor's forces in Italy. The Florentines have been ordered to submit to the Pope. *I hear that Vienna is badly fortified, and that Ferdinand is not strong. Let not Campeggio be acquainted with the contents of this letter.*

Rome, 25 Sept. 1529.
Lat., part cipher deciphered. Add. Endd.

28 Sept. **5962.** SIR RIC. CORNEWAYL to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Thanks him for his kindness when in London on parliamentary business. Wishes him to take out his patent as he promised, and to have his proviso for the same lands recorded by Brian Tuke. Reminds him that the King must not receive money from the land since the date of the patent, for it is a hard trial with the King. Asks him to send a man to Ric. Monyngton at Haryngton, one mile from Burford of the Wold, to purchase out the writ for the knight's expence for the time of Parliament; for if the sheriff leaves his office before the writ is got, Cornwall will have to wait for his money till next year. St Michael's Eve.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To Mr. Cromwell in London. *Endd.*

28 Sept. **5963.** BENET and SIR G. CASALE to WOLSEY.

R. O.
St. P. VII. 203.

The Pope will leave Rome this week to meet the Emperor at Bologna, on the pretence of arranging to resist the Turks. He will send the bishop of Como to France, and Casale to England. The latter will bring full instructions. The Emperor is still at Piacenza. The Pope has sent the archbishop of Capua to Florence. The prince of Orange is within 20 miles of it, from which place he will advance to Ravenna. Rome, 28 Sept. 1529. *Signed.*
Lat. In Casale's hand. Add. Endd.

R. O.

2. Enclosure in the above.
i. Copy of a letter of 20 Aug. 1529, from Genoa.

The gentleman has not yet arrived whom his Majesty (Charles) is expecting from Madame (Margaret) with the copy, but I suppose he has received a complete copy by way of Savoy. They cannot refuse it (the peace) without destroying their strongest argument for the Emperor's coming into Italy. His Majesty took the opinions of the prince of Orange and Antonio da Leva. Preparations are making for the march to Milan. His Majesty intends to offer peace to the Venetians. The prothonotary Caracciolo, who arrived in this country today, is charged with this negotiation. The duke

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of Milan has no recognised representative here. He has sent a secretary to the Pope, and will not break off his confederacy with the Venetians. Ambassadors from the duke of Ferrara and the Florentines (*named*). The Emperor communicates all his proceedings to the Nuncio, and professes that he will act according to the capitulation, which I presume you have seen. The Pope again invests the Emperor with the kingdom, absolves the [Emperor's] agents and councillors, ratifies all they have done against his Holiness and the See Apostolic, gives them the nomination to 24 churches, and promises to crown him, with all the usual privileges and favours. The interview between the Pope and the Emperor has not yet been determined on.

ii. Letter from Genoa, 23 Aug. 1529.

Today [the Emperor] has determined in council to depart hence this week by way of Piacenza. N. tells me that the peace has been broken off. News touching the Florentine and Ferrarese ambassadors.

iii. Letter from Genoa, 28 Aug. 1529.

It is feared the Emperor will make an agreement with the Florentines without giving satisfaction to the Pope. Andrea Doria announces his intention to remove with the Imperial navy from the sea, where he is now, to that of the Levant.

iv. Letter of 30 Aug., from Genoa.

Today the Emperor has departed from Piacenza. He sends Mons. di Lasciao (La Chau) to the French king, and is determined to ratify the peace. No one has been sent to the Venetians.

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5964. G. EARL OF SHREWSBURY to WOLSEY.

I received your letter by Dr. Bonor (Bonner), stating that the canons of the priory of Worsopp have granted the election of their prior to you, and that, as I am founder, you wish to know my mind. I have little acquaintance among them, and leave it to you, desiring credence for Dr. Bonor. Sheffield Park, 29 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

Sept. Lansd. MS. 1. f. 210. B. M.

5965. THE KING'S PROGRESS.

"The Progresse of K. Henry the VIIIth made in the xxi^th yeare of his reigne."

July 1st, at Bridewell; 6th, at Greenwich; 8th, at Bridewell; 15th, at Durham Place; 28th, at Greenwich.

August 2nd, at Waltham; 11th, at Barnett; 14th, at Tytynhanger; 16th, at Olborne; 17th, at Windsor; 21st, at Reading; 23rd, at Haseley; 25th, at Woodstocke.

September 1st, at Langley; 4th, at Woodstock; 9th, at Buckingham; 10th, at Grafton; 24th, at Buckingham; 25th, at Notley; 28th, at Byssham; 29th, at Windsor.

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5966. HENRY VIII. to CLEMENT VII.

On the return to your Holiness of cardinal Campeggio, we could have wished, not less for your sake than our own, that all things had been so expedited as to have corresponded to our expectations, not rashly conceived, but owing to your promises. As it is, we are compelled to regard

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with grief and wonder the incredible confusion which has arisen. If the Pope can relax Divine laws at his pleasure, surely he has as much power over human laws. Complains that he has often been deceived by the Pope's promises, on which there is no dependence to be placed; and that his dignity has not been consulted in the treatment he has received. If the Pope, as his ambassadors write, will perform what he has promised, and keep the cause now advoked to Rome in his own hands, until it can be decided by impartial judges, and in an indifferent place, in a manner satisfactory to the King's scruples, he will forget what is past, and repay kindness by kindness, as Campeggio will explain. Windsor, 30 Sept. 1529.*

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30 Sept. **5967.** WOLSEY'S HOUSEHOLD.

R. O. The *tertii denarii* arising from beef and mutton consumed in the household of cardinal Wolsey for one year. The amount of animals killed is as follows:—430 oxen, 181 muttons, in the month of October; 728 ditto within 1 November; 621 ditto between Easter and 1 August; 363 ditto between 1 Aug. and 30 Sept. Sum total of the third pence, 204*l.* 17*s.*

ii. Sale of victuals, &c. from the said stores.

Lat., pp. 3. *Endd.:* My lord Cardinal, pro pellibus multonum.

Sept. **5968.** PASSAGE AT DOVER.

Egerton MS. 2,108, f. 80. B. M. Receipts of two parts of 2*s.* in the pound of half passage for the Wyke of Dover, by John Fraunces, collector, by the oversight of Robt. Fluce, mayor, from Sunday after the Nativity of Our Lady, 20 Hen. VIII., for one year.

Receipts, 11*l.* 1*s.* 5*d.*
Payments, for timber, wattles, thorns, dragging, digging, &c., 8*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.*
Borrowed to perform the town payments, 26*s.* 6*d.*
So rests in the box, 33*s.* 4*d.*
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5969. THE DIVORCE.

Vit. B. XI. 216. B. M. Petition of John Antony Musettula, Imperial ambassador, to the Pope, in the name of Katharine of Arragon and the Emperor, to advoke and decide the King's cause, and impose on him perpetual silence, or at least to commit the judgment to Cardinals at the court of Rome, or papal auditors, as it is notorious that the Queen cannot be defended or obtain justice in England; and to forbid anything to be done prejudicial to the cause, or a fresh marriage to be contracted by the King, under the penalties of ecclesiastical censure, to be assisted by the secular arm, if need be.

Lat., copy, pp. 3. *Endd.*

5970. MARGARET VERNON† to [CROMWELL].

R. O. Is told by Lewys, a goldsmith in this town, that Mr. More has promised parson Larke that the subprioress of St. Ellyns shall be prioress there before Christmas. Begs he will ascertain my Lord's (Wolsey's) pleasure about it, that she may settle herself in quietness. He may offer my Lord the sum "we were at a point for." I hear you are to ride after Christmas about my Lord's business; and if this matter do not take effect before, I will never trouble you or myself further.

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* This letter is very obscure and involved. † Afterwards prioress of Malling.

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5971. MARGARET VERNON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Begs a loan of 40*l.* till Whitsuntide, when she is sure to repay it with malt and wheat, to enable her to buy a neighbouring farm. Her house shall be bound in surety for it by convent seal.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Cromwell.

5972. MARGARET VERNON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Begs to know when he will be in these parts, or when she can see him at his own house, she coming on one day, and going home the next, as she requires his counsel on several matters.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful and my singular good master, Mr. Cromwell.

5973. RIOT NEAR OXFORD.

R. O. "The confession of Thomas Clement, carpenter," that on St. Thomas' Eve, at the bonfire at Ric. Martyn's gate, Mrs. Bawdwyn said, in presence of himself and others, that a wood within 10 miles of Oxford was to have been felled, "but it was let by the country; they did put them off; and so might these men be that should fell in the Berwood, if they would stick together." Clement had already spoken on the subject with Thos. Milam, saying he should know when it was to be, for Will. Barker had spoken to Mr. Townley that he might be one of the hewers, and they agreed to warn the country, as the people complained that their beasts would be all killed. He accordingly gave notice of it to Milam on Sunday before the insurrection, and also to Ric. Bullok, whom he met at Wokingham town's end. Would have confessed all this at Wokingham, but there were so many judges he thought he should have gone to execution, and preferred to trust to my lord Cardinal's mercy, for "there were no more prisoners there but he."

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5974. FRANCIS FRESCOBALDI to [WOLSEY].

R. O. Writes to ask his assistance in their necessities, as his brother Leonard is too ill to travel. When Antonius Cavallari and the said Leonard owed 60,000*l.* to the King, a new arrangement was made, more convenient to them. Now, however, Wolsey has transferred the old obligations to certain persons, who intend to sue them, and demand what they cannot pay.

Hol., p. 1. *Endd.*

5975. FRANCIS FRESCOBAL[DI] to [WOLSEY].

R. O. His favor has always protected their house and fortunes, especially their father and Leonard their brother, who is lately dead. Since his death certain Englishmen have commenced unjust actions against them, endeavoring to despoil them of their goods at Florence in their absence. Wolsey can assist them, but he dares not tell him the means in writing, and begs for an audience.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Endd.*

5976. JAMES BEK, Merchant, of London, to WOLSEY, Cardinal and Chancellor.

R. O. Has come to give attendance on him to report on certain wrongs done the King by Martin Degennay, a Spaniard, residing in London.

P. 1. *Endd.:* James Beck.

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5977. ——— to [WOLSEY].

R. O. Disputes have arisen in London between the merchants of England, Italy, Flanders, and Spain, in consequence of the public edict about the value of gold; for many say that debts contracted before the proclamation must be paid at the rate of 22*s.* to a pound, 14*s.* 4*d.* to a mark, and 7*s.* 4*d.* to a noble, whether paid in silver or gold. Merchants also now abstain from exchanges, and thus prevent the importation of gold. Knows of the importation of 100,000 cr. and 10,000*l.* in gold, which will be exported again unless care is taken. In Flanders, directly after this proclamation, gold was publicly put at a higher price than before: a noble at 24 gr., a royal at 35 gr., and a crown at 14 gr. The searchers should, therefore, be warned to attend to their duty.

Has sent an account of the errors, and the accounts relating to merchandize, in Italian, as he cannot trust any one to translate them into English.

The merchants ask Wolsey to intimate his wish about the proclamation to the mayor of London, that he may publish it.

Asks Wolsey to remember his affairs, when he sees the King.

Lat., pp. 2. *Copy, in Vannes' hand. Endd.:* It. merchant.*

5978. GRANTS in SEPTEMBER 1529.

Sept. — GRANTS.

1. Wm. Herberd of Cardif, Thos. Herberd, jun., of Moregraunge, Thos. Herberd of Troye, Wales, and John Herberd of Bristol. Pardon for the murder of Wm. Vaughan of Bristol. *Apud* Westm., 1† Sept. a° 21.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 11.

10. Geo. Warener. To be one of the King's serjeants-at-arms, with 12*d.* a-day, *vice* Nicholas Downes. Waltham monastery, 9 Aug. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* le More, 10 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

14. John Ruckwoode, under-steward of the town of Calais. To be bailiff of the lordships of Mark and Oye, marches of Wales, with 12*d.* a day. *Del.* the More, 14 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 12.

14. Frederick Richardis, of the Isle of Wight, beer brewer. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. *Del.* le More, 14 Sept. 21 Hen.VIII.—P.S.

14. John Robardson *alias* Baker, servingman, of Calais. Pardon for having robbed a foreigner, called a "Catchmar," of money, at Fynes myll, beyond the forest of Guysnes, in Picardy. *Del.* le Moore, 14 Sept. 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 6.

15. Sir Thos. Nevell and Robt. Norwych, serjeant-at-law. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of surveyor of all liveries or prosecutions of inheritance in England, Wales, Calais, and the marches thereof; with 50*l.* a year. Le More, 15 Sept.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

15. Sir Thos. Nevell and Robt. Norwych, serjeant-at-law. To be overseers of all liveries or suits, general and special, of possessions in England, Wales, Calais, and the marches thereof; with power to treat with suitors in such cases for their fines, &c. *Del.* the Moore, 15 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 5.

15. John Santford and Robt. Gybson, yeomen of the Guard. To be water-bailiffs of the Isle of Man, *vice* John Macristyn. In the gift of the King, by the minority of the earl of Derby. *Del.* le Moore, 15 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

16. Ric. Keyll, vintner, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. *Del.* Westm., 16 Sept. 21 Hen.VIII.—P.S.

20. The Mayor and Corporation of Bristol. Charter, permitting a yearly fair to be held in the parish of St. Mary Redclyff, from the 2nd Feb. to 9th Feb. Witnesses: Thos. card. of York, Wm. archbp. of Canterbury, &c. *Del.* le More, 20 Sept. 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 9.——Vacated on surrender by John Willy, attorney of the said corporation, 10 June 36 Hen. VIII., by order of the King's council.

22. Geoffrey Lee. Mortmain licence to alienate certain land in Boxley, of the annual value of 5*l.* 2*s.* Also mortmain licence to John Fyssher, Peter Goldsmyth, and Ric. Austen, to alienate certain land in Boxley, of the annual value of 4*l.* 16*s.* 11¼*d.* Both to the abbot and convent of St. Mary, Boxley, to

* The dates of these last eight documents are very uncertain.

† Supplied from the Patent Roll, as the date on the Signed Bill is illegible.

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the yearly value of 9*l.* 19*s.*, in part satisfaction of the 10 librates of land which the said monastery was licensed to acquire by patent 11 Oct. 2 Hen. VIII. Le More, 22 Sept.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 12.

23. John Campucci, merchant, of Lucca. Licence to export 800 sacks of wool. *Del.* le More, 23 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

25. Margaret Heron, widow of Sir John Heron. Lease of the manor of Highall, in Walkehampstowe, parcel of Coopercioners lands, Essex, for 21 years; at the annual rent of 48*l.*, and 3*s.* 4*d.* of increase; on surrender of a lease granted to her husband, Sir John, 14 May 12 Hen. VIII. *Del.* le More, 25 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

28. Ric. Elyatt, yeoman of Horlaston, Staff. Pardon for killing Ric. Peers, jun. *Del.* Westm., 28 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 15.

26. Thos. Wyat, squire of the Body, and marshal of Calais. Licence to import 1,000 tuns of Gascoigne wine or Tolles (Toulouse) woad. *Del.* le More, 26 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII. —S.B.

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1 Oct. **5979.** EXPENCES OF THE HOUSEHOLD.

R. O.

Indenture, dated 1 Oct. 20 Hen. VIII., between Brian Tuke, treasurer of the Chamber, and Edmund Pekham, cofferer of the Household, witnessing that Tuke has delivered to Pekham, by virtue of a warrant dormant for the expences of the Household from 1 Oct. 20 Hen. VIII. to 30 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII., viz. by the hands of Thos. Wriothesley, Pekham's servant, at various times, sums of 3,000*l.*, 2,000*l.*, 1,500*l.*, 5,500*l.*, 4,700*l.*, 2,674*l.* 16*s.* 3½*d.*, and 20*l.* Total, 19,394*l.* 16*s.* 3½*d.* Each item is signed by Brian Tuke.
A roll of parchment.

ii. Schedule attached to the above.
Indenture, dated 1st Feb. 21 Hen. VIII., between Sir Brian Tuke and Edmund Pekham, witnessing the delivery to the former of 4,826*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*, in full payment of the King's warrant dated Greenwich, 4 Jan., for the surplus expences of the Household for the 20th year of Hen. VIII. ending at Michaelmas.
Signed by Tuke.

2 Oct. **5980.** KATHARINE OF ARRAGON to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 176. B. M.

There came hither with Campeggio a doctor of law, a native of Barcelona, who has been 30 years in the Rota of Rome, and lost everything he had when Bourbon entered the city, so that even now he is in great poverty. Requests Charles to give him some preferment in Naples. Windsor, 2 Oct.
Sp., modern copy, pp. 2.

4 Oct. **5981.** CLEMENT VII. to WOLSEY.

Vit. B. XI. 220. B. M.

Desires credence for Paul Casale, whom he sends to request aid against the Turks. Rome, 4 Oct. 1529, 6 Pont.
Vellum. Lat. Add.

4 Oct. **5982.** The BISHOP OF BAYONNE to FRANCIS I.

MS. 4599, p. 143. Bibl. Nat.

On receipt of Francis' letters of the 24th ult., sent to Windsor to know the King's intention about the communication I had to make to him thereon. He desired me to wait till his Council came to London, and relate my charge to them, excusing himself, on the ground of the pestilence which has been in my house, from giving me immediate audience. Yesterday they

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met at Wolsey's lodging, and I declared to them the contents of your letters, and of the memoirs sent to me, especially touching the Emperor's *fleur de lis*, and the delay of the payment of the last quarter of this year. I was answered in the same way as my brother and I had been before, but after long discussion they pressed me to make a report of it, and everything should be done according to reason. Among the expedients they proposed to satisfy the Emperor about the *fleur de lis*, the least unreasonable is that of which my brother had already spoken, viz. that the Emperor should send a letter to Henry, promising to hold him quit if he delivered it into your hands. But I was by no means satisfied, telling them that the demand you would make to the said Emperor of the said letter would give them knowledge that there was no such love and confidence between you two as both had pretended to him. Thinks if the matter had been remitted to them you would have obtained this demand; and as to the delay of the payment of this quarter, they excuse themselves by the conference which is about to commence; at which they mean to make it plainly evident that neither your friendship nor theirs has been less fruitful than that of the Emperor has been injurious. The utmost I can hope in this matter is to gain a term of six months if possible, which perhaps might be expected if it did not require so many people to agree together, "ou que je puisse parler au maistre mesmes dont je suis prelaz, par tant qu'il luy plaira, et me doubte, considere sa nature, que c'est pour longtemps."* For this reason, as well as others which I have already urged on the Grand Master, you had better send another.

Mentions the explanations he gave to the English relative to the penalty for the marriage and the passage of Albany.

Fr., pp. 4, *from a transcript. Dated in the margin at the head:* Londres, 4 Oct. 1529 (?)

4 Oct. **5983.** THE SAME to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 359.

You will see by the letters of Francis all that I have yet been able to do in the negociation committed to me by the last letter: in which I am astonished not to have a single word in answer to the request of this King carried to you in writing by my brother. I do not know what to answer. If I had known the intention of Francis, and had a letter to Master Boulan from Madame, or even something addressed to myself that I could have shown, I should have held my despatch for certain. And as he desired that letter, as I knew very well, and has not received it, he alone opposes me in this despatch; at least it is he who leads the dance expressly against the Dukes and Wolsey, whom I had so well persuaded that I thought I had gained my cause. I will see what is to be the issue (*que ce sera*) as soon as possible; but my hands are tied by this accursed pestilence, which has quite left the town, so that all the world is gathered here about the matter of the loan (*en sorte que tout y est assemblé de la matiere d'emprunt*); nor can I speak except through a medium talking to a few apart, which I have not yet been able to do.

As to my recall, I remit that and everything to your good will, but I beg you to consider the urgencies of my reasons. I am more and more pressed to it, especially now, when Dr. Stocles (Stokesley) is already despatched for the reasons mentioned in my other letters. And seeing things in this state I told them long ago that I would shortly set out. Consider, too, that after losing 12 of my household in four days, apart from those who have fled to the country, of whom I suspect some are lost, I have been compelled to allow the others to go back to France, as they did not know whither to go here. Not understanding the language well, I have been more than a month alone in another man's house, and I cannot honorably remain longer, especially now

* So in the copy.

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that all England has met together here, without having new attendants and furnishing a house once more, which is to me impossible. Besides I do not see that I can for a long time speak with the King, who at present takes the management of everything. My brother will have explained to you particularly other causes for the diminution of credit (*mutation du credit*), which occurs to me daily more and more. One thing good is, that, affairs being in such a state, and the goodwill here so great, you cannot send a man who will not be sufficient.

A paragraph touching a private matter,—the marriage of St. Mor at Paris.* London, 4 Oct.

P.S.—Boleyn leaves this in three days, along with Dr. Stokesley. His going is well arranged. Those who send him wish him to be received with more than ordinary honor. Penisson, whom you know, is sent to keep him company, and to "servyr d'addresse;" but I warn you that the reception given to him will be well weighed.

I forgot to tell you that I see clearly Wolsey is to lose his influence entirely in this Parliament (*que par ce Parlement le Cardinal s'en va totalement*). I see no chance to the contrary. I have stated my reasons in writing to Francis.

Fr. Add.

4 Oct. **5984.** DE PRAET and MAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 178. B. M.

Have requested the Pope to write to the kings of France and England to send powers to their ambassadors, that they may all act together for the good of Christendom, at the interview between the Pope and the Emperor. His Holiness has promised not only to write, but to send nuncios to each. The bishop of Como goes to France, and says he desires much to serve your Majesty. Rome, 4 Oct. 1529.

Spanish, modern copy, pp. 2.

4 Oct. **5985.** CARDINAL'S COLLEGE, IPSWICH.

R. O.

Grant by William Capon, dean of the said College, to Thomas duke of Norfolk, Sir Tho. Wentworth, Sir Philip Tylney, Sir John Cornewales, Edmund Wyndham, and Edw. Knevet, of the priory of Felixstow, with its appurtenances, at a rent of 20*l.* 4 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII.

Seals and signatures of the lessees, with the exception of Wyndham's signature.

Lat., vellum.

4 Oct. **5986.** ST. MARTIN'S, BATTLE, Chichester dioc.

Restitution of temporalties upon the election of John Hamond as abbot, Windsor Castle, 29 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Oct.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 20.

ii. Petition for the above by Robt. bishop of Chichester. Aldyngborne, 26 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII.

4 Oct. **5987.** HENRY VIII. to CLEMENT VII.

Add. MS. 15,387, f. 219. B. M. Theiner, p. 565.

Begs credence for the bishop of Worcester, sent to act at Rome with Gregory Casale on his late return (after three years' residence) from Spain. Windsor, 5 Oct. 1529.

Copy, Lat.

* Meaning his appointment to the abbey of St. Maur. See 22 Oct.

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5 Oct. **5988.** HENRY VIII. to BENET and G. DA CASALE.

R. O. St. P. VII. 205. The bishop of Worcester, who has lately returned from Spain, is joined with them in their commission. Windsor, 5 Oct. 1529. *Signed at top. Sealed.*

Lat. Add. Endd.

5 Oct. **5989.** THE DIVORCE.

Rym. XIV. 346. Notarial attestation, by Tho. Argall and John Cock, of a transumpt of a papal bull, dated Rome, 29 Aug., declaring that all censures and penalties against the King are invalid, and contrary to the Pope's intentions. Dated 5 Oct. 1529.

Lat.

6 Oct. **5990.** CLEMENT VII. to HENRY VIII.

Theiner, p. 566. Regrets he could not comply with the King's wish, as Paul Casale will explain. Rome, 6 Oct. 1529.

Lat.

Ib., p. 566. 2. Similar letter to Wolsey. Same date.

5 Oct. **5991.** DE PRAET and MAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 179. B. M. The Pope will leave on the 7th, and go by Romagna. * * * * The Pope sends as nuncios the bishop of Como to France, and to England a brother of the knight Casale. The former has been chosen (*se ha ido*) for his French lineage. Advise the Emperor to receive him well, and try and draw him over to his service. Recommend also the same policy as to Casal. Have word from the marquis of [Mantua]† that he has received (*a buen recabdo*) our despatches about the citation and inhibition of England. This is fortunate; for of the six copies we sent by various routes, there have only come to hand this, and one taken by a gentleman of the Queen, who brought hither the procuration and process. Hears that the Pope intends to make at Bologna some cardinals at the Emperor's request, and others at that of the king of France. * * Rome, 5 Oct. 1529.

Spanish, pp. 13, *modern copy.*

6 Oct. **5992.** DE PRAET and MAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 188. B. M. The Pope leaves tomorrow. * * The nuncios of France and England have left today, and will pass that way ("y pasaran por alla").

These ambassadors have letters from England to say that they wish to have a parliament [*hacer parlamento*], and see what should be done in the matrimonial cause; and that it appears both to them and to the Pope that your Majesty should write to the king of England, and send a messenger to persuade him to desist from the divorce, the Pope writing at the same time, as he will write, in a friendly and judicial way on the subject, especially as they have heard that the king of England has been told that your Majesty had said that he should stick to the Queen his wife in spite of his beard. The Pope told us he was quite satisfied that this was not true, because it is not your Majesty's habit to talk in that way. "(Escriviendole el Papa como le escrivira calda y juridicamente sobrello; en especial que tienen aviso que al

† The name is scored out in the original document.

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De Praet and May to Charles V.—*cont.*

Rey de Ynglaterra han referido que V. M. avia dicho que ternia a la Ser^ma Reyna su muger, a pesar de sus barbas, el Papa nos dixo que avia bien satisfecho en esto que no se devia creer de V.M. porque no es de su costumbre hablar de sa manera.") * * * * Rome 6 Oct. 1529.

Spanish, modern copy, pp. 8.

5993. Gardiner to Wolsey.

R. O. The King wishes you to send hither the writs of Parliament for the shires of Nottingham and Derby, which he intends shall be sent by the hands and advice of Norfolk. Has no leisure to write of the receipt of Wolsey's letters by Croke the bearer. Windsor, Wednesday.

You may also send the writs for the shires of Bedford and Bucks, Hampshire and the town of Southampton.

Hol., p. 1. *Sealed. Add. Endd.:* My lord Legate's good grace.

7 Oct. **5994.** Clement VII. to Henry VIII.

Theiner, p.566. Has suspended his cause. Assures him that the dispensation was a positive and not a divine law; and if the Queen, as she affirms, was not known by prince Arthur, there is no doubt that the dispensation was perfectly sound *in foro conscientiæ.* Begs him to consider the danger in which Christendom stands from the Turks, and how much it is enhanced by this dispute. Rome, 7 Oct. 1529.

Lat.

7 Oct. **5995.** Campeggio to Salviati.

Theiner, p.587. You will have been many days without letters from me, because, having written many times and received no answer, I suspect that my letters have been intercepted; though, indeed, owing to the absence of the King and the cardinal of York, I have had nothing worthy of communication. I had notice of the revocation, citation, and inhibition, "*etiam per edictum constito*† *de non tuto accessu.*" I therefore expected that the letters and authentic breves would arrive, and would enable some act to be performed by which the hands of us legates would be tied, as nothing else remained for me to do; and then I could take leave.

While in this expectation, I was requested by the cardinal of York to repair to a town of his, called the More, where he has a very fine palace. I went there accordingly. On the day following my arrival, which was on the 5th ult., two breves were sent from the King's court to the Cardinal, both of the same date, I think the 19th of July; the one concerning the confederation made with the Emperor, the other concerning the citation. Seeing that both contained credentials for me, and that no other letters appeared, I was somewhat annoyed. All diligence was used to discover them, but there was no order, and they excused themselves, saying that they had not reached their hands. The breves, however, came in time, because they supplied the means of intimating the citation in such a manner as to tie the hands of us legates. There was much to be debated, both on the King's part and on the Queen's. At length the form of intimation was agreed upon, and it was made to us by a proctor of the Queen's, who announced that we had no powers, and that neither of us could proceed any further.

This done, I sent to request an audience of the King, which was deferred a week, owing to the arrival at that time of an ambassador from the Emperor. Meanwhile the duplicates arrived of your letters of 19 and 23 July, con-

† Sic.

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tinued to 1 Aug. The originals, which you announce having dispatched with the "capitulation," had never reached me. I repaired therefore to the King at the appointed time. The day before, by good fortune, I received your two last letters of 12 Aug. and 2 Sept., with the breve for his Majesty touching the revocation of the censures and pecuniary penalties, and the suspension of the cause till Christmas. On these subjects I held a long discussion with his Majesty, and communicated to him so much of the letters as seemed to me suitable to the purpose. The King said very little about the confederation, neither praising nor objecting to it. With regard to the citation of the cause, "*per le cose precesse*," he exhibited much displeasure, and complained of the Pope and myself for giving him words only. When I explained to him the causes of the citation, he replied in these exact words (in Latin),* "your people (*vestri*) know very well how to accommodate their words to the times, but you also know it was intimated to me from Rome that I ought to procure sentence, after which the matter would assume a different complexion." I replied to him, first, that as for myself no information touching this matter, either directly or indirectly, had ever reached me; that I believed it was the same with the Pope, as I should certainly have heard something about it; and that if it had been written to him by others, I was not responsible for it. I have since been in doubt about the matter of great importance which Dr. Stephen (Gardiner), as he wrote from Rome, said he had to communicate to his Majesty,—"*questa sua cura non fosse una tal cosa;*" but I have been unable to arrive at the truth. Whatever it may be, as his Majesty is of this opinion, and is persuaded by others that the marriage is null by divine law, his mind cannot but be somewhat enraged and disappointed because the affair has not succeeded to his liking. In other things, the King's mind is good. He has told me, with apparent sincerity, that he would never fail to be a most Christian King, and a good defender of the Faith; and that, though all the world should prove false, he himself would never fail in doing service as a good Christian King. In this conversation I alluded to the Lutheran affairs, and to this Parliament which is about to be holden, and I earnestly pressed upon him the liberty of the Church. He certainly seemed to me very well disposed to exert his power to the utmost.

After this I presented the breve. It proved very acceptable to him, and he read it through with great attention. I know that, when reading it to his councillors, he declared that he felt highly satisfied with it. Among other things he was pleased with the clause in which our Lord (the Pope) exhorts him to treat the Queen well. His Majesty remarked (in Latin), "See, although his Holiness is able to command, he merely exhorts." In fact the breve greatly soothed his mind; and in order to improve the occasion, I again assured him of our Lord's good mind towards his Majesty, and that he might confidently promise himself all that the Pope could possibly do for his benefit. It seemed to me expedient, to avoid a greater evil, to entertain him with some hope, and I think it would not be amiss if the same were done from Rome. Lastly, he gave me a kind dismissal. On returning home I was attacked with a pain in the side, together with the gout, which have tortured me ceaselessly for ten days; in which, however, I have collected my baggage, and departed on the 5th from London. Today I reached Canterbury, through which the auditor of the chamber (Ghinucci) is passing, to whom I deliver this letter; and as he is in a hurry, and you will learn more fully from him the state of affairs here, I will write no more. With all my heart I thank the Pope for his good mind towards me.

The Grand Ecuyer and Dr. Sampson, ambassadors to the Emperor, are now passing. I learn from a good source that the King has charged them

* This passage is in cipher in the original, according to Theiner.

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to ratify the league, even though the French king refuse to do so. It is my opinion that, on the recovery of the French king's children, this peace will not endure very long. Canterbury, 7 Oct. 1529.

Ital.

Læmmer Mon. Vat. p. 34.

2. Extract from a similar letter to Sanga.

8 Oct.

5996. HENRY VIII. to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 376.

In behalf of Sir George Boulayn, gentleman of the Chamber, son of lord Rocheford, and Dr. Stokesley, whom he is sending as ambassadors to Francis in place of Sir Francis Bryan, to whom he has given leave to return. Windsor, 8 Oct. 1529.

Fr. Add.

5997. HENRY VIII. to FRANCIS I.

MS. 2,915, f. 43. Bibl. Nat.

To the same effect. [No date.]

Fr., from a transcript.

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5998. REGRATING.

Harl. MS. 442, f. 107. B. M.

Proclamation to be published by the sheriff of Suffolk, forbidding the forestalling and regrating of corn, and combinations to increase the price; and ordering all persons who have more corn than needful for their households and for seed to bring it into the markets for sale. Westm., 8 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII.

Modern copy, pp. 3.

5999. WOLSEY to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. I. 347.

Though I daily cry to you for mercy, I beseech that you will not think it proceeds from any mistrust I have in your goodness, nor that I would molest you by my importunate suit. The same comes of my ardent desire, that, next unto God, I covet nothing so much in this world as your favor and forgiveness. The remembrance of my folly, with the sharp sword of your displeasure, have so penetrated my heart that I cannot but say, *Sufficit; nunc contine, piissime Rex, manum tuam, &c. Beati misericordes, quoniam ipsi misericordiam consequentur;* which, that I may obtain, I shall not cease to pray as your most prostrate poor chaplain, "T. Car^lis Ebor., miserimus."

Hol. Add.

9 Oct.

6000. FOR THOS. CARDINAL ARCHBISHOP OF YORK.

Rym. XIV. 348.

Licence to appoint one or two born subjects of the King, learned in law, his attornies, notwithstanding the statute of provisors and præmunire. Westm., 9 Oct.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 4.

9 Oct.

6001. THOMAS ABBOT OF FORD to THOS. ARUNDELL.

R. O.

Received, 7 Oct., his letters of the 4 Aug., showing that Wolsey had sent him a commission for the reformation of Newham monastery, which he never saw. Begs, therefore, that no slackness be imputed to him. Forde, 9 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* Master Thomas Arundell.

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2. Same to Cromwell.

R. O. To the same effect. Forde, 9 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To his loving friend, Master Thomas Crumwell.

12 Oct. **6002.** The Bishop of Bayonne to Francis I.

MS. 5,499, p. 145. Bibl. Nat.

Has been able to obtain no other answer from Henry's Council but that which he sends; on which the King had already intimated to me his final resolution, before it was communicated. Thinks nothing could have moved him, but that he has been confirmed in it by the reason which Du Bellay lately mentioned to the Grand Master, as well as by others which he is writing to him in cipher. The cause of the delay has been that the King hardly made any stay here, but returned to Windsor, leaving his Privy Council, with whom Du Bellay has conferred twice upon this business. The Imperial ambassador has also been with them, to be interrogated (*pour estre interrogé*) if he had heard from his master that the jewel should be delivered to you to be kept for him. But as at his departure from Spain there was yet no mention of peace, he made no other answer, as he has told me, except that I must give him a copy (*qu'il m'en fallait faire double*), according to the treaty of Cambray; and he thinks this demand pretty considerable to come of a good understanding. Thinks, however, the Emperor will make the answer Francis requires, and without much loss of time, considering the assurance given me by those here, that on the arrival of the said answer, and of the commission from Francis to whoever is to receive the jewel, they will at once deliver it. As to the postponement of the payment of this last quarter, on speaking to some of the principal councillors, I was in some hope of obtaining it, but at last no order has been taken by which anything can be done. You will see by the comment sent you in writing on the subject of Albany's voyage, how little desire they have for it; at which I have been much disappointed, after the show they made of wishing for it. Has been obliged to go back to his old opinion, which he had laid aside, owing to the urgent request made to Francis by Bryan, and the goodwill he sees in some of them. Thinks, however, they do not wish to give up faith in their prophecies. One of them casually remarked, touching their reply, that they thought it strange that on Bryan pressing you for information about Albany's commission, and what he proposed to do in Scotland, you would vouchsafe no answer, which they considered rather suspicious, and that this was what had made them change their purpose.

In the reply by Scotland (*par Escoce*) which my brother brought you, it is said in the end that you ought to get the treaty of Cambray reformed by the Emperor, according to the form and manner therein set down. The Council here expressed themselves very glad that you would promise Henry to do so; and since my brother's departure Wolsey has expressly repeated this to me; but latterly I can see clearly that Henry's intention is that you should get the treaty speedily reformed by the Emperor, and that he does not mean to grant you what he did grant you when my brother was here, nor to deliver the jewel to you until the said reformation is made. Does not know what medicine to apply to the case, especially as they have asked him whether Francis had granted him the conditions, and have twice expressed astonishment at my being in the "said company," and not having spoken to them of it. Was only able to reply that they need not be anxious about conditions, or anything else that depended on Francis, whose friendship might be thoroughly trusted; but on his coming to the King, Henry insisted that it was not enough to grant the conditions, but the contract must be immediately reformed. This he said several times, but Du Bellay pretended not to understand, and addressed his discourse to others.

Fr., pp. 4. *From a transcript, dated in the margin at the head:* Londres, 12 Oct. 1529.

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12 Oct. **6003.** THE SAME to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 364.

I have not yet been able to obtain my despatch as I desired, nor has any order been taken about it, till now. You will see what has been done, by my letters to the King, and by the answer they have given me in writing. I write you in cipher what I think of it. The delay in the payment you asked for has not been advanced by what Francis said to Master Bryant, in speaking of the deliverance of the children, viz., that he would never disburse what he ought to pay for their deliverance, and that he had no such sum in ready money to meet unexpected cases; for upon Bryant pressing him further, saying it was a thing which it would be difficult for him to obtain, Francis answered him, that he had no anxiety about being unable to do it, as he could easily obtain the sum by taking a chalice from every church in his kingdom. Consequently Bryant judges that we have no occasion to press them so hard for money; and I understand, on good authority, he has made good use of this admission. Things being in their present state, as I have nothing more to do here, I hope soon to receive orders to remove, which I trust you have already despatched. It would be well that my successor should arrive before his train, as he will require less ceremony, and I will keep* him company till his train arrive. Nevertheless, I am provoked to go the whole length of this town every day to visit these Lords, with two varlets after me. I promise you my ears are filled with mockery as I pass, which is a great discredit to my master, especially when all England is beginning to meet for this Parliament.

Campeggio, of whose despatch I wrote to you long ago, is now well on his road. He was very well treated at his departure. This King will be very glad that he should be well received. But I think about the marriage they now speak soberly to him, although he is not over well pleased with the Emperor, for a couple of good turns he has done him anew, of which the least would catch the hare.† He will ask Francis for a power to resign a small abbey in Brye to his son; which I think he ought not to be denied, as it will be the best way to prevent its falling void in the court of Rome; but there will be no harm in showing him that it is an unusual favor. This King is now sending his relative Poul (Pole), one of the most learned men known, to visit the country (France), and continue his studies. He will pay his respects to you and Francis, according to his instructions. He and his relations, who are great lords, have asked me to recommend him to you. Since my brother's departure the said lord (Henry) has applied to me, by those of his council, for the delivery of certain camlets taken by those of Dieppe, which belonged to his domestics. I have written several times to the Viconte of Dieppe, who alleges that the vouchers shown to prove the property was theirs are forged. He is wrong, for Dominique Lomelin is one of the worst (*des pires, q. pirates?*); and, besides what appears by the books and countermarks, the Dukes have sworn to me that they know it for certain. An Englishman, who had taken some of our men at sea under color of a letter of marque, has been made prisoner, and the goods restored, so that we ought to be satisfied. I hear that complaints have been made of it to you, but the English have begged me that a commission may be given to my successor about the depredations which have been made for some time, for they expect that great complaints will be made about them by the people at this Parliament. I forgot to tell you that I did not wish to speak about the matter of a loan upon jewels, as I was denied other things more reasonable. You will do them a pleasure by informing them more frequently of affairs in

* "luy *ferez* compagnie;" doubtless for "feray."

† "Mais de la matiere du mariage je suis bien d'advis qu'on luy en parle pour ceste heure sobrement, encores qu'il ne soyt trop content de l'Empereur pour une couple de bons tours qu'ils (*sic*) luy a faictz de fresche memoire, dont le moins prent le lievre."

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Italy. I assure you, both the King and Council have the smallest possible friendship for the Emperor. London, 12 Oct.

P.S.—Campeggio is still at Dovor, and I have just heard that, on pretence of want of ships, they will not let him pass, without consulting about it, for fear he carries off the treasure of the cardinal of York.

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6004. [POLE] and STARKEY.

R. O. i. Md. to Mr. Starkey for Thos. Lupset.

Imprimis, to cause the 2 mattresses of white fustian to be trussed. Item, to see well carried the virginals. Item, to have in mind that there are two black coffers for Mr. Fox; one short, the other long. For me there are two hogsheads full of books; 5 trussing chests full of my stuff. Let not my little trussing bedstocks be forgot. To truss all Smith's packet. To let Archpol, the Scot, have warning of your departing, that he may come in company. To ask Mons. de Langy for two books for Mr. Fox,—Liber Conciliorum, and Liber Mercatoris (?); you must put them in Mr. Fox's great chest. Let the canvas mattress serve for Jack to lie in the boat with the stuff.

In Pole's hand.

ii. Account of money expended and received on a journey, evidently to Rouen, and thence to Paris.

Persons mentioned:—Mr. Patys, Mr. Lupset at London, Mr. Martyn, Edward, Owen, Jack, Archepole, Mr. Const, Davy, Rob. Coke, Barnardyn.
Places:—London, Rouen, Paris, Dieppe.

Chief items:—Binding of the Counsels, 8*s.* Paper to write the Greek book, 9*d.* Gifts at Paris.

In Starkey's hand.
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12 Oct. **6005.** RIC. REYNOLD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Reminds him that he promised to put a bill into Chancery concerning the action taken against him in London by John Goon, as executor to Francis Bawdwyn, of 4*l.* odd; of which action, and all others, Oliver Leder is bound to discharge him.

Asks him to tell Mr. Attorney thereof, as Leder wishes it. Asks for a copy of the recognizance by which Chr. Co and Jax Darley stand bound to pay him 100*l.* Co has owed him 10*l.* of it for 10 months. London, 12 Oct. 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

13 Oct. **6006.** CARDINAL WOLSEY.

R. O. 1. Bill of sums owed by Wolsey to William Botrye of London, mercer, for holland cloth, black damask, sarcenet, velvet, camlet, diaper, buckram, and other fabrics, from 24 May 1512 to 6 Oct. 1515. Total, 40*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.* Paid by Wm. Bolle, 14 Aug. 1514, 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Due on 13 Oct. 1529, 38*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

Another copy. *Pp.* 2. *Endd.:* Buttre.

R. O. 2. Debts of the legate [Wolsey] to Ric. and John Gresham and Ric. Fermor, for silks, &c.

Ric. Gresham.—A piece of cloth of counterfeit baudekyn, silver and red silk, 16½ yds., at 20*s.* a yard; another piece, gold and blue silk, 9 yds. 2½ q., at 20*s.* A rich cross with the langet for a vestment, with 4 pieces for deacon, subdeacon, and priest, 11*l.* Total, 37*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*

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John Gresham.—22¾ yds. pluncket tynsen satin, at 8*s.* a yd. 58 yds. white satin, at 5*s.* 19¼ yds. cloth of gold and red velvet upon velvet churchwork, pyrled, at 26*s.* 8*d.*; another piece, 22 yds., at 23*s.* 4*d.* Total, 74*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*

Ric. Farmor.—23 yds. blue baudkyn rich, at 17*s.* 23 yds. white baudkyn floresshed with blue, green, and gold, at 14*s.* 24¼ yds. white baudkyn rich, at 17*s.* 24 yds. baudkyn floresshed with red, gold, blue, and green silk, at 14*s.* 36½ yds. white baudkyn, coarse, at 8*s.* A remnant of velvet, vygorye red and orange color, 7¾ yds., at 12*s.* 28 yds. 2½ q. of cloth of gold churchwork with red velvet upon velvet, at 23*s.* 4*d.* Total, 124*l.* 18*s.* 9½*d.*

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ii. Copies of the account of the Greshams.

14 Oct. **6007.** SIR FRANCIS BRYAN to HENRY VIII.

R. O.

My lord of Worcester arrived here on the 11th. Next day he and I went to the King, when he declared his commission. Francis said he would do all that you wished, and send to his friends the Cardinals. He had heard that the Pope was well amended, for he comes to Bollayn la Grace to meet the Emperor shortly. He has had notice from Flanders that the Turk has taken the castle of Danew by appointment, and after killed every mother's son. He has 300,000 men, 60,000 pioneers, and 30,000 camels to carry victuals; and every night he causes them to be milked, which is a great succour to his host. He has constructed 3,000 boats across the Danube. The Count Palatine was before Vienna with 30,000 Almains. He told us that if the Emperor would acquit him of half his ransom, he would go with 50,000 men against the Turk, and spend a million of his own; otherwise he was not able. Also he said, if the Emperor would meet him at Turin, they might consult what was best against the Turk. They asked me what you would do. I said I could not tell, but that, if all agreed, you would act like a Christian prince; and if others had done like you, the Church would not be so ruined as it is now. The prince of Orange is with his army at Ponte di Leva. The Florentines refuse to receive the archbishop of Capua, because they will not have the Pope for their lord. De Leva has besieged Pavia. The count Gayas was taken prisoner. De Gretti, the Venetian ambassador with the Turk, has sent word that the Signory will let them have 20,000 horsemen whenever they please. The Pope sends the bishop of Como nuncio to France; and to England, Paul Casale, Gregory's brother, "one that Master Stephens and I know well enough." On the 8th the Pope left Rome for Bollayn la Grace (Bologna). The Florentines have lost Cortona and other places. "Mons. due Bayon" comes away, and another takes his place. Paris, 14 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 3. *Add. Endd. by Gardiner.*

14 Oct. **6008.** GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.

R. O.
St. P. VII. 206.

I have told the French king what you ordered me, and have asked expedition of the Grand Master. They replied, that though the matter was very different now, as the Pope was at Bologna and apparently in good health, yet they would consult your Majesty about a successor. I shall leave the matter with Brian. I was told by him that it was the general opinion in Italy that the Emperor would soon start for Germany; which might be favorable to your cause. As it is possible the Pope might be induced to commit the cause to some quarter in which your Majesty could have confidence, it is advisable that I should have a copy of the process both before and after the coming of Campeggio. I am told a very famous Dominican is

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at Avignon; whom I shall consult, and see what I can extract from him favorable to your cause. You should consult Hezius, secretary to Pope Adrian VI., who is at Louvain or Liege, about the dating of breves. Paris, 14 Oct. 1529.

Brian will write the news at this Court.

Lat., Hol. Add. Endd.

15 Oct. **6009.** BRYAN to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 207.

Since my last of the 14th, I went with Worcester to court to take his leave. The King spake doubtfully of the taking of Pavia, but I think it is true. He desired Worcester to speak of your matter to the Pope, desiring, in his name, favor for your cause, as much as if it concerned himself; and further, he was to tell the Pope that if the Emperor would release the sum of money mentioned in my last letter, Francis will go in person against the Infidels; and that he was willing to discuss the matter with the Emperor at Turin. Worcester will take no steps in this matter till he hears from you. He also desired him to ask the Pope for a cardinalate for the archbishop of Bugeix. He told me that the Emperor was much distressed for money; but I never heard of a man who had done more with so little. He is rather like to lose than to win in Italy. Paris, 15 Oct. *Signed.*

Add. Endd. by Wriothesley.

15 Oct. **6010.** S. VAUGHAN to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Has written to him more at large, in a letter sent by land by a post, in a budget sent to one Richard Buttell in Watling Street. Since the post departed, news has come from Estlond that the Turk was besieging Wayne (Vienna), in Austria, which is too weak to hold out long, although there are in it 30,000 fighting men. Antwerp, 15 Oct. 1529.

If Rafe have received his money of Clarencieux, wishes him to pay it to his brother-in-law, Will. Pratt.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his worshipful Mr. Thomas Crumwell, in London.

17 Oct. **6011.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 369.

This despatch has been delayed, as it has been needful to write and rewrite several times the letters I send you, and by the repeated going and coming of the Dukes to Windsor, whence at this moment they have sent them to me in the form you will see by the copy. They trust it may be excused if they are not found satisfactory, as they have not yet got into the way of managing with the King; but they swear they will do marvels in future, and are so confident that I can hardly help believing them.

I have visited the Cardinal in his troubles. He is the greatest example of fortune that one could see. He represented his case to me in the worst rhetoric I ever saw; for heart and tongue failed him completely. He wept, and prayed that Francis and Madame would have pity upon him, if they found that he had kept his promise to be a good servant to them so far as his honor would permit. But at last he left me, without being able to say anything more to me than his countenance did, which has lost half its animation (*qui est bien descheu de la moitié de juste pris*). His case is such that his enemies, even though they be Englishmen, could not help pitying him, yet they do not desist from persecuting him to the last; and he sees no means of safety, unless Francis and Madame will help him. He does not desire legateship, seal of office, or influence,—is ready to give up everything, to his shirt, and to go and live in a hermitage, if this King will not keep him in disfavor. I have consoled him as well as I could, but I have been able to do little. He has since sent to me, by one whom he trusts, to show what he would wish done for him, saying that it would not hinder Francis if he at

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least wrote to this King that there is a great rumor in France that he had removed Wolsey from his presence and from his good favor, so that he was in danger of being destroyed, which Francis could not readily believe, and hoped Henry would not suddenly take up a bad impression against those who have seen that he was the instrument of this perpetual amity, so renowned throughout Christendom; and that if, perchance, he had fallen into his displeasure, he hopes the King will moderate his anger, which he is sure he will be counselled to do by those about him who have the management of his Grace's affairs. This was the most reasonable of all his requests; in which I hope I am not obtruding my advice if I say that such a letter ought not to be taken ill by any man here, especially when they consider, as they do, that they are compelled to take your part more than ever.

Moreover, I assure you that the greatest advantage they have ever had of him, and what has served most to put him in discredit with the King, was, that at my coming he declared too openly his wish to go to Cambray. The others persuaded the King that this was only to escape from being at the expedition of the marriage; and I can tell you, that without him they were terribly near bringing the King to break off the peace negotiations. So I wrote to you at the time; but I left ten times as much to say, which I must keep till I see you, and which I am sure you will find very strange. If the King and Madame think this advisable, they will have withdrawn a faithful servant from the gates of hell. But he begs above everything that this King be not informed that they have been asked to do it; for his enemies insinuate that he has always had, both in peace and war, secret intelligence with Madame, from whom during the war he received large presents, and that this was the reason why, when Suffolk was at Montdidier, he did not help him with money, which would have enabled him to take Paris. This they talk of in a whisper, that I may not be apprised of it. As to the said presents, he hopes Madame will not do him an injury if it be spoken of. In all other things he recommends himself to her Grace. These Lords intend, after he is dead or ruined, to impeach the state of the Church, and take all their goods; which it is hardly needful for me to write in cipher, for they proclaim it openly. I expect they will do fine miracles. I have also been told by your great prophet with the brazen face, that this King will hardly live more than . . ., to whom, as you know, so far as I see by his writings, he has allowed no further term than the monster (*monstre*) of May.

I must not omit to say that if Francis and Madame wish to do anything for Wolsey they must make haste. The letters will never be here before he has lost the seal. But he no longer cares about that. They will help for the rest. Also they should give my successor, whom every one is expecting here in a few days, charge to speak about it. The worst of his evil is that Mademoiselle de Boulen has made her friend promise that he will never give him a hearing, for she thinks he could not help having pity upon him. London, 17 Oct.

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6012. ANNE VERE, COUNTESS OF OXFORD.

Indenture of covenant, dated 19 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII., between Anne countess of Oxford on the one side, and Sir Antony Wyngfeld and Edmund Knyghtley on the other, relative to the claims made by the latter parties against the present earl of Oxford, in respect of lands inherited from the late Earl, which claims were submitted to the arbitration of Thos. duke of Norfolk, high treasurer, Charles duke of Suffolk, great marshal, Thos. marquis of Dorset, George earl of Shrewsbury, Robt. viscount Fitzwater, and Thos. viscount Rocheford.

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20 Oct. **6013.** FERRERS.

Add. MS. 28,176, f. 62 b. B. M.

Indenture by which dame Dorothy Ferrers assigns the rents of a burgage called le Butcher in Tamworth, of which she enfeoffed Wm. and Francis Repington and others, by deed dated 20 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII., to the bailiffs of Tamworth, for the performance of an obit on 11 July, in St. Edith's church, Tamworth, for the souls of the late Sir John Ferrers, her husband, herself, and Wm. and Margaret Harper, her father and mother, and for giving alms.

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21 Oct. **6014.** RICHARD late ABBOT OF WINCHCOMBE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I beg you to write two or three lines of the prosperity and welfare of my lord (Wolsey), and ye should do more for my comfort than I can express. You know my true hearty mind and service towards him, and my prayers for his continuance. Our unkind neighbour, Mr. Huddelston, still continues his old malice against our poor monastery, regardless of my Lord's injunctions. I hope he will not forget his own poor house of Winchcombe, and I beg you will remind him of it secretly. Winchcombe, 21 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right honorable Mr. Thomas Cromwell, counsellor to my lord Cardinal's grace; with speed.

21 Oct. **6015.** GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 209.

I wrote to you that I had found the theologian here, who I imagined was at Avignon. By occasion of Vannes' departure, I send you his opinion, which is against the Pope's power of dispensation in this case. I begged of him to search the Fathers, especially St. Augustine, who is produced on the side of his opponents. He seemed to me to be very resolute on this point. Lyons, 21 Oct. 1529.

Hol., Lat. Add. Endd. by Gardiner.

22 Oct. **6016.** HENRY VIII. to CAMPEGGIO.

R. O.

I have read your latter letters, in which you complain grievously of the disrespect shown to the pontifical dignity, and the violation of your legatine authority, because certain porters of ours have examined your baggage; and a rumor has prevailed that you and the cardinal of York had been guilty of collusion in our cause; and that you would not leave England until this calumny had been cleared up, and satisfaction given for so atrocious a wrong. I cannot sufficiently wonder that your wisdom should exaggerate such minute offences, and take such dire offence, as though it were in my power to anticipate the temerity of the mob, or the excessive officiousness of others in discharge of their duty. As to your legateship, no wrong has been done by me or mine, seeing that your authority only extended so far as to the termination of my cause, and when that was revoked by papal inhibition, it had expired; and neither I nor my subjects acknowledge that you have any other authority. I wonder that you are so ignorant of the laws of this kingdom that you were not afraid to make use of the title of legate when it became defunct, seeing that you are a bishop here, and so bound by the most solemn obligation to observe and respect my royal dignity, jurisdiction, prerogative, &c.

As to the business of the porters, long before your return into Italy they had received orders to allow no one to pass on any legal suspicion, even with our letters patent, without diligent examination of their baggage. As we had no intention that this should prove an annoyance to you, nor hinder your journey, or cause you any loss, we request that you will take this in good part; and we regret that greater caution and prudence was not shown

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by the officers in discharge of their duty. As it was done in fulfilment of their oath, we trust you will not consider them deserving of punishment. You will do us wrong if you think the worse for this fact.

As to the other part of your complaint, touching the rumor which has arisen, it would be hopeless for you to stay here in the expectation of removing it by any process. A wise man will pay no attention to ordinary rumors. You may infer from it that my subjects are not very well pleased that my cause has come to no better conclusion. I shall have reason to doubt your faith and the integrity of your friendship when your words and professions so little agree. Windsor, 22 Oct.

Lat., p. 1, *broadsheet. Endd. by Gardiner; and by Boleyn?:* Litera a Rege ad cardinalem Campegium missa.

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6017. CARDINAL WOLSEY.

Indenture between the King and Wolsey, by which the latter acknowledges that on the authority of bulls obtained by him from the court of Rome, by which he was made legate, and which he published in England contrary to the statute, he has unlawfully vexed the greater number of the prelates of this realm, and other of the King's subjects, thereby incurring the penalties of *præmunire*, by which also he has deserved to suffer perpetual imprisonment at the King's pleasure, and to forfeit all his lands, offices, and goods. He prays Henry, in part recompence of his offences, to take into his hands all his temporal possessions, all debts due to him, and all arrears of pensions and presentations to benefices, and covenants to make further assurance when required. 22 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Signed by Wolsey. Remains of his seal attached.*

22 Oct. MS. 5,499, p. 149. Bibl. Nat.

6018. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Would be glad to grant to Wolsey the request which he made to me secretly by an Italian servant, the only one who has remained faithful to him. On Tuesday* the great seal was taken from him, and an inventory was made of his goods, and commands were issued to every one who had been in his service these 20 years to render an account of all that they have touched. This they have found difficult, because, not a sixth part being found of what was expected, they are well assured to have many "tours de corde." He was also ordered to reply before the King or Parliament, and thinking, what is quite true, that the Bishops had already chosen judges after their own liking for the said Parliament, he preferred to put himself in the mercy of the King; of which nevertheless he hoped less than nothing, being used with such severity that, in addition to the loss of all his goods and honors, he expects to be perpetually imprisoned, and that neither the King nor Parliament will ever revoke his sentence. The points of which he is accused are robberies and exactions, but these would not be mortal offences. They say at Amiens he agreed to admit the duke of Ferrara into the League, without the knowledge of the King; that he delivered to Francis a bond under his hand without authority; that he made intimation of war to the Emperor, &c. The least of these things, they say, will cost his head; and I fully believe that if Francis and Madame do not help him in all diligence, he is in great danger. He would like Francis and Madame to send a gentleman hither in all diligence, by whom they would represent what you wrote on the 16th, without specifying further, or giving the least intimation that it was at his request, otherwise it will be immediate death to him. He begs Francis, for the mercy of God, thus to protect him from the fury of his

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enemies, who would bring his old age to the most shameful and miserable end. For my part, though I have no business to meddle further, or to give my advice, I will say little, knowing that where affection and pity reign the judgment is apt to be biassed. The duke of Norfolk was (is made ?) chief of the Council, &c.

The remainder is contained in the fragment printed by Le Grand, of this date, but in somewhat different order.

Fr., pp. 3. *From a transcript, dated in the margin at the head :* Londres, 22 Oct. 1529.

22 Oct. **6019.** Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Le Grand, III. 377.

(*The beginning of the letter is in cipher, undeciphered.*)

While writing, I have heard that Wolsey has just been put out of his house, and all his goods taken into the King's hands. Besides the robberies of which they charge him, and the troubles occasioned by him between Christian princes, they accuse him of so many other things that he is quite undone. The duke of Norfolk is made chief of the Council, Suffolk acting in his absence, and, at the head of all, Mademoiselle Anne. It is not known yet who will have the seal. I expect the priests will never have it again; and that in this Parliament they will have terrible alarms. I expect Dr. Stephen will have a good deal to do with the management of affairs, especially if he will abandon his order (*jetter le froc aux horties*). But I am not so much disgusted but that, if any one offered me Paris and St. Mor, I would take them, and be at the charge of being your bishop. I am, however, compelled to tell you that I am here in the greatest dishonor, which will increase when the whole Parliament shall meet, especially seeing I must ride on a mule for fear of the plague, which has visited the animals ; and I do not think that you wish me to renew my train, and refurnish my house, which you know is impossible. London, 22 Oct.

P.S.—They are vexed at not hearing news from you more frequently, and are very anxious to hear some to the disadvantage of the Emperor, either by means of the Turk or otherwise.

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23 Oct. **6020.** De la Chaux and Des Barres to the Emperor.

Le Glay, Négoc. II. 712.

Account of their good reception at Paris. The duke of Albany (among others) met them on horseback, and was afterwards sent to fetch them to the King's presence. Francis desires to take part in the expedition against the Turk, and to succour the king of Hungary. Bonnivet is instructed to treat with Charles and the Pope. Francis said he would furnish 40,000 foot and 3,000 men-at-arms, and the king of England would also furnish 20,000 English. Interview between La Chaux and the Grand Master, in which were discussed several matters which gave the Emperor cause of complaint. On the 20th, the duke of Albany and others were sent to bring the writers to the French king's lodging, whom they accompanied to the church of Nostre Dame, where, in presence of the English, Venetian, and other ambassadors, Francis took his oath to the treaty of peace. Dined with the King in the Bishop's house, near the church, with the English ambassadors, the sieur d'Albrecth, the cardinal of Lorraine, and the Chancellor. Paris, 23 Oct. 1529.

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23 Oct. **6021.** News from Antwerp.

R. O.

"Ex Antverpia, die xxiij. Octobris datis literis."

The Turk has returned to Hungary, and fortified the frontiers. Some say that the Vayvode, who persuaded him to this war, is with him. The King

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of the Romans was marching towards the Turk, but he had not much chance of success, as his forces were but small, and every place was provided for. The Emperor had dismissed great part of his forces, keeping the Italians, with whom it was said he would go to Italy to visit the Pope. Most people think he will go to Genoa, and cross thence to Spain; to which the Queen earnestly persuades him. It has been reported for eight days that Doria's fleet has stormed Modonum, but only on the authority of a private letter from Rome. Recent letters from Ancona state that the Pope had sent a captain thither, who wished the whole city to be at the Pope's will, and he has now obtained possession of it. He has made many promises to foreign merchants, and says the Pope wishes trade to be more free and safe than ever before. It is thought, however, that when he is firmly settled everything will be managed for his own profit. Turks and Jews are refraining from commerce there till they see in what state Turkish affairs are.

Lat., pp. 2. *Endd. by Wriothesley:* Nova a Petro Vannes.

24 Oct. **6022.** PASSAGES between DOVER and CALAIS.

R. O. Certificate by Sir Francis Bryan to the customer of Sandwich, that the baily's ship of Dover has transported him and his stuff thence to Calais the 23rd of July, for which 6*l.* is due to the baily.

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On the dorse there is a receipt by Raff Jamys to Thomas Vaughan for 4*l.* (part of the 6*l.*) received through Tho. Alcok, the customer, on 8 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII.

ii. Similar certificate by Dr. Edw. Fox, ambassador to France, 25 May 21 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

iii. Certificate by Dr. Foxe, ambassador to France, to the customer of Dover and Sandwich, that he has covenanted with two persons for a boat and a crayer to carry over his horses and baggage; desiring they be paid 4 nobles and 40*s.* respectively. Dover, . . . May. *Signed and sealed.*

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iv. Certificate by John Stokesley, elect of London, to the same, that Edward M . . . . . , with his ship the *Gabriel*, has transported from Calais to Hythe the horses of Stokesley and Dr. Cranmer, with their stuff and baggage; for which he is to be paid 40*s.* Dated 20 Oct. x[xij?] Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

v. Certificate by Sir Fras. Bryan, ambassador to France, to the customer of Sandwich, that the baily's ship of Dover has transported him from Dover to Calais the 19th of July, for which he is to be paid 6*l.*

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vi. Similar certificate on 16 Oct. *Signed.*

vii. Certificate by Sir W . . . . . , that the *Galyand* has transported his horses and baggage from Calais to Sandwich. Calais, 17 Feb. *Signature lost.*

viii. Certificate by Edward [Foxe] that the baily's ship of Dover, called the *John Baptist*, has "conveyed from Dover to Calais D[octor Foxe] and his company, ambassador to the Pope," for 6*l.* 24 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Signature mutilated.*

24 Oct. **6023.** WOLSEY'S COLLEGES.

R. O. Fortnightly accounts of building expences for Cardinal's College from Nov. —— to 24 Oct.

Stone is taken from Cotswold and Hedington. Payments for new lodges

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made for freemasons at Barington and Shurburne; expences at Sonnyng; carriage of gravel; repairing lime-kilns at Becley; taking down lead at Wallingford; carriage of lead from Poughley; felling, hewing and squaring timber; new frame wrought for the almshouse at Kyrtlington; "batering of toles" at Burford; purchase and "bartlage" of wainscoats; paring tiles and plaster; painting and gilding the hall "and greffith for the femerall (?);" besides wages to freemasons, "herdhewers," carpenters and other laborers.

Pp. 25. *Endd.*

6024. WOLSEY to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. I. 348.

These shall be to thank you for the comfort sent to me, languishing in extreme sorrow and heaviness, by Sir John Russell, by which I perceive you will have pity and compassion upon me. I shall endeavour as well as I can to attemper my sorrow, praying that, as soon as it will stand with your honor, it may be openly known to my poor friends and servants that you have forgiven me mine offences, and delivered me from all danger of the laws.

Hol. Add.

25 Oct. **6025.** CARD. WOLSEY.

Rym. XIV. 349.

Memorandum of the surrender of the Great Seal by Cardinal Wolsey, on 17 Oct., to the dukes of Norfolk and Suffolk, in his gallery at his house at Westminster, at 6 o'clock p.m., in the presence of Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, John Tayler, and Stephen Gardiner. The same was delivered by Tayler to the King at Windsor, on the 20 Oct., by whom it was taken out and attached to certain documents, in the presence of Tayler and Gardiner, Hen. Norris, Thos. Heneage, Ralph Pexsall, clerk of the Crown, John Croke, John Judd, and Thos. Hall, of the Hanaper.

On the 25th Oct. the seal was delivered by the King at East Greenwich to Sir Thos. More, in the presence of Hen. Norres and Chr. Hales, Attorney General, in the King's privy chamber; and on the next day, Tuesday, 26 Oct., More took his oath as Chancellor in the Great Hall at Westminster, in presence of the dukes of Norfolk and Suffolk, Th. marquis of Dorset, Hen. marquis of Exeter, John earl of Oxford, Hen. earl of Northumberland, Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, Ralph earl of Westmoreland, John bishop of Lincoln, Cuthbert bishop of London, John bishop of Bath and Wells, Sir Rob. Radclyf, viscount Fitzwater, Sir Tho. Boleyn, viscount Rocheforde, Sir Wm. Sandys, Lord Sandys, and others.

Close Roll, 21 *Hen. VIII. m.* 19*d.*

25 Oct. **6026.** CHAPUYS to CHARLES V.

Bradford, 256.

On the receipt of your letter on Thursday the 21st, dated Piacenza, I sent to Windsor to ask for an audience. As the administration has fallen principally into the hands of the duke of Norfolk, and the communication is more agreeable to him than that of the marriage, I hastened to visit him. The Cardinal, who was dis-evangelised on the day of St. Luke the Evangelist (18 Oct.), has been deprived of his offices. I was received by the Duke with great distinction, and expressed to him the regard in which you had always held him for his goodwill. He seemed highly pleased, and said that he and his family had always been attached to the house of Burgundy; that no one more lamented the late disagreements than himself, but that all the evil and misunderstanding ought to be attributed to those who formerly directed the King's councils, acting by their own will and authority, with which the King himself was often dissatisfied.

In reply to his remark that he should like to serve your Majesty against the Turk, I praised his virtuous feelings, and told him that was the main object of my communication; but for the better security of peace,

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which the King had done so much to establish, one unhappy difference between himself and the Queen remained to be settled. I told him that, however strongly he might feel from family considerations,* he could not but feel as a true knight, nor act otherwise than if it had been his own daughter, and as conscience directed; and that your Majesty was convinced that he had not been the promoter of this step. He replied that he would sooner have lost one of his hands than that such a question should have arisen; but it was entirely a matter of law and conscience, and he had never been appealed to; that it had been submitted to ecclesiastics and doctors, who had pronounced against the validity of the marriage; that if the dispensation you held was illegal, the King would consider himself the most abused prince in Christendom; and that if you had not declared yourself in it so openly, it might have sooner been brought to a satisfactory issue. I explained to him the constraint under which you acted; and that, as to the king of England not having declared himself a party in the matter, it was clear that he had done so from the proceedings of the English ambassadors at Rome. Finding he remained thoughtful, I changed the subject. Shortly after he turned to me with a laugh, and said, "How glad the Emperor will be to hear of this fall of the Cardinal, and his loss of office?" I answered, I thought you would, but not from any hatred you had to the Cardinal; and that he could have done neither good nor ill to you, and was not of such importance as that you would care to be avenged, or trouble yourself about his disgrace; but what you rejoiced at was, that the king of England would now learn who had been his evil counsellors, and leave the management of affairs to men who from birth and circumstances were more competent. I told him that I was the first who had broken through the chain of paying court to the Cardinal, and addressed myself to him. He thanked me for my good intentions, and said that the government was managed not by an individual but by the Council, where he usually assisted, and would promote Your Majesty's interests.

In order to please the Duke I asked him what I should do, although I had already sent one of my secretaries to the King. He told me that the King had ordered that application should be made direct to himself, before any other person was acquainted with the communication. He followed me to the hall, using very courteous language.

On the 22nd my secretary returned from Windsor, stating that the King would be at Greenwich on Saturday, and I was to go the day after. On my reaching Greenwich I found a civil gentleman, named Poller (Bollen?), sent by the King to conduct me to the palace. There I found the bishop of London, who led me to the King's antechamber, where the Court was assembled, and was received by two dukes and the archbishop of Canterbury. I conversed with these lords, waiting for the King to go to mass; and we talked of the conference at Bologna. The King, on going to mass, came directly to me, and taking me by the sleeve said, with the utmost graciousness, "You have news from my brother the Emperor." On answering Yes, he asked the date, and then said your Majesty was very careful to give him information. I assured him that you were anxious to make him partaker of all affairs, and thus show your brotherly affection. I then presented your letters, and, as to the particulars of my credentials, he said that the ambassadors in your court were authorised to treat about them. Speaking of your going into Italy I bespoke his good offices.

On his return from mass, he came up to me again, and resumed the subject. When we talked of the necessity of resisting the Turk, and of the Pope's arrival at Bologna on the 5th, I said I thought it advisable that he should

* He was uncle to Ann Boleyn.

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commission his ambassadors with the Pope to treat; and I combated his remark that he could do but little against the Turk, seeing he was wealthy, and as absolute in his dominions as the Pope. He urged that this affair was chiefly yours, and if you wished to accomplish it you must make peace with the princes of Italy. I assured him you had never ceased from efforts in this direction. The conversation then turned on the duke Francesco Sforza; and I urged, in opposition to his remark, that your proceedings were as favorable to the Duke as could be. He objected to the cession of Pavia and Alexandria, alleging the cruelties which had taken place at Sienna. I told him Pavia was out of dispute, as it was already given up. "Between ourselves," said he, "I think it is a great shame that whilst the Turk is in Austria, the patrimony of the Emperor, he should not rescue it, but make war upon Christians." On my urging the danger that might be expected from Sforza and the Venetians if your troops were withdrawn, he urged that neither could do anything. Shortly after, changing his tone, he said, with some emphasis, "My brother the king of France has made your Emperor a marvellous offer." This he repeated three times. I said, if it were so, he had now done a virtuous part, and kept his professions. After various other topics it grew late. Not a word was said of the Queen. After dinner he asked me if I had anything more to say.

All here are satisfied with the treaty of Cambray. As for the observance of it, the Queen, as I have already written, has expressed her doubt of its duration. It is supposed to have cost this King 800,000 ducats. He is not therefore likely to break it. People here are not very anxious to repeat the dose, as it is not to their taste. At present they seem on good terms with the French. The ambassador has been only once at court with his brother since my arrival. He has been commanded to deliver his message to the Council, and abstain from communication with the Cardinal; at which he was greatly vexed. Various ambassadors are here. The most in favour is the Milanese, on whom the King has spent money. Those who are now in most credit are the dukes of Norfolk and Suffolk. There is not a single person about the King who is not saturated with French money; and though they profess great affection to you, their affection for money is much stronger. I have submitted the proposition to the King respecting the sea being kept free from pirates. He has ordered a good reception for Mons. Rosymbez.

The downfall of the Cardinal is complete. He is dismissed from the Council, deprived of the Chancellorship, and constrained to make an inventory of his goods in his own hand, that nothing may be forgotten. It is said that he has acknowledged his faults, and presented all his effects to the King. Yesterday the King returned to Greenwich by water secretly, in order to see them, and found them much greater than he expected. He took with him "*sa mye*" (his darling—Ann Boleyn), her mother, and a gentleman of his chamber (Norris?) The Cardinal, notwithstanding his troubles, has always shown a good face, especially towards the town, but since St. Luke's Day all has been changed to sighs and tears night and day. The King, either moved by pity, or for fear if he should die the whole extent of his effects would not be found, sent him a ring for his comfort. He has withdrawn with a small attendance to a place ten miles off. They have sent for his son from Paris. People say execrable things of him, all which will be known at this Parliament. But those who have raised the storm will not let it abate, not knowing, if he returned to power, what would become of them. The ambassador of France commiserates him most. It was feared the Cardinal would get his goods out of the country, and therefore a strict watch was kept at the ports, and the watch insisted on opening the coffers of cardinal Campeggio, notwithstanding his passport, and, on his refusal, broke open the locks. He said they had done him great wrong to suppose that he could be corrupted by the Cardinal, since he had been proof against the innumerable presents offered him by the King.

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The Chancellor's seal has remained in the hands of the duke of Norfolk till this morning, when it was transferred to Sir Thomas More. Every one is delighted at his promotion, because he is an upright and learned man, and a good servant of the Queen. He was chancellor of Lancaster, an office now conferred on the Sieur Villeury (Fitzwilliam). Richard Pace, a faithful servant of your Majesty, whom the Cardinal had kept in prison for two years, as well in the Tower of London as in a monastery (Syon House), is set at liberty. Unless his mind should again become unsettled, it is thought he will rise in higher favour at Court than ever.

There is a young man here, sent by the duke of Saxony, who has much business with the King and the bishop of London.

Of the King's affair there is nothing new to communicate, except what the bishop of London has told me, that Dr. Stokesley had been sent to France to consult the doctors of Paris. The Queen begs your Majesty will send some respectable person there to do the same, for without some definitive sentence the King will remain obstinate in his opinions. She thinks that delay will be more dangerous than profitable, and therefore we have thought it desirable not to consent to the postponement demanded. To avoid creating suspicion in the mind of the King, she thinks I had better cease to visit her, but she will provide means for my speaking with her in private. London, 25 Oct. 1529.

P.S.—Two days after I had written the above, the Cardinal was definitively condemned by the Council, declared a rebel, and guilty of high treason for having obtained a legatine bull, whereby he had conferred many benefices in the King's patronage. He has been deprived of his dignities, his goods confiscated, and himself sentenced to prison until the King shall decide. This sentence was not given in his presence, but to his two proctors. This he will not find easy of digestion, but worse remains behind (*mais encoures ne serat il quicte pour le prix*).

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25 Oct. **6027.** MONTMORENCY to DU BELLAY.

MS. 5,499, p. 186. Bibl. Nat.

You will see by the letters sent by Francis what he has said to La Chault about the ratification of the peace, which has been sworn in accordance with the last treaty. Advises him not to show the letters. Has received his packet of the 17th, to which answer will be made in two or three days. Your brother or some one else will be sent in your place. Meanwhile the bailly of Senlis will be ordered to come, to whom I am writing again to send him immediately afterwards from thence. Paris, 25 Oct.

Assures him that he shall not remain more than three weeks in England. Wishes for his presence as soon as possible in case the Bishop die.

Fr., pp. 2. *From a transcript.*

26 Oct. **6028.** STRANGERS ARTIFICERS.

R. O.

Decree of the Council, 26 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII., at the request of certain artificers, Englishmen, who had reported that tailors, cordwainers, and other strangers artificers had refused to abide by the decree of the Council dated 15 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII.

Pp. 3. *Mem. on the dorse:* "Henry Vayne, esquire, sworn and examined this 28th of October, anno 21, being of the age of 60 and above, upon interrogat[ories] to him ministered."

26 Oct. **6029.** THOS. TRETHURFFE.

His will, 20 Sept. 20 Hen. VIII. Proved, 26 Oct. 1529. Printed in Nicolas' Testamenta Vetusta, p. 643.

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27 Oct. **6030.** Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Le Grand, III. 379.

Not much has happened since my letters of the 23rd. After the Cardinal had been deprived of the seal, and all his goods placed in the King's hands, which are valued at 500,000 crowns, he was ordered to retire to an episcopal mansion, eight leagues hence, to await the King's pleasure. Norfolk has been made chief of the Council, and in his absence Suffolk, who has had his mules, and Master More, chancellor, leaving the Chancery of Lancaster to Master Feuvillem (Fitzwilliam). They are beginning to assemble for the Parliament from all parts of the country, during which the King will occupy the house which belonged to the Cardinal. He is coming to see it today to arrange for his residence. I think the King will leave him York, with a portion of his goods, and not treat him worse. If it be so, and if these Lords do not agree, as I expect they will not, it is not improbable that he will regain his authority, so I think it will not be bad policy to grant his request, which in no case can do harm. I forbear to urge again my recall, feeling sure that you have done your best for me; but I am astonished that since I began to urge it, you have given me no answer. London, 27 Oct.

French. Add.

27 Oct. **6031.** Wolsey's Attorneys.

Rym. XIV. 349.

Appointment by cardinal Wolsey of John Scuse and Christopher Jenny as his attorneys. Westm., 27 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII.

Close Roll, 21 *Hen. VIII. m.* 14*d.*

27 Oct. **6032.** Hacket to Tuke.

R. O. St. P. VII. 210.

I have given Rossynboix and John de Lassaux a letter from my Lord, and another to you, with the news from Dutchland. Francis ratified the peace on the 20th, and D'Humières is to deliver Hédin on the 5 Nov. On the 22d a publication was made in the Emperor's name for all New Testaments in French, Dutch, and English to be brought in, and no heretical books to be printed henceforth. All male heretics shall be "justyssyth" with the sword, and if any woman be faulty to be "qwyk bride" (buried), with many other good articles contained in the said publication. Brussels, 27 Oct. 1529.

Hol. Add. Endd.

28 Oct. **6033.** Wm. Brabazon to Crumwell.

R. O.

Is at Tykford. When he has finished the lands belonging to the late monastery there, and the priory of Bradwell, will attend on him in London. The bearer, the late prior of Tykford, desires to be recommended to Cromwell for promotion. Mr. Whalley's officer has received the rents of Tykford manor. 28 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c., Mr. Crumwell. *Sealed.*

29 Oct. **6034.** W. Capon to Cromwell.

R. O.

Asks him and Rushe to call before them Dame Anne Caston, and make her cease her exclamation for the lease of Panyngton. She is void of all reason, set all upon wilfulness. She complains that she is owed for the work of her cart and for loads of heath, which is entered in the books of the works, and shall be paid.

She complains also that their cattle have eaten up her pasture since last Lady Day. Had no cattle till Midsummer; and if they have eaten her pasture, it is because she will not fence it.

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Asks him to pacify her, for her exclamations grieve him more than the land is worth. Veysey distressed all his tenants at Hyntilsham, and kept their cattle to the value of 40*l.* Was fain to replevin them out, which cost 9*s.* or 10*s.*, and yet the sheriff's officers were obliged to break his doors before he would deliver them. Two days after he got 10 or 12 men with bows and arrows, and fetched them back again. He has sold some, and told the tenants openly that now my lord Cardinal was not worthy to wipe his horses' feet, with other opprobrious words.

Wishes him and Audely to decide whether his lease be good or no. Those who heard Veysey speak were Rob. Clay, John Cooke, and others. Gippiswiche, 29 Oct. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Thos. Cromwell.

30 Oct. **6035.** Cardinal Wolsey.

Controlment Roll, Mich. 21 Hen. VIII. Rot. 36. R. O.

Bill of indictment preferred by Chr. Hales, attorney-general, against cardinal Wolsey, on the 9th Oct. 21 Hen. VIII., at Westminster, for having procured bulls from Clement VII. to make himself Legate, contrary to the statute of 16 Ric. II.; which bulls he published at Westm., 28 Aug. 15 Hen. VIII., and thereupon assumed and exercised the office of Legate; by virtue of which, on 27 July 21 Hen. VIII., he conferred upon James Gorton, clerk, the parish church of Stoke Gylford, Surrey, Winchester dioc., void by the death of Andrew Swynno, although Robert, prior of St. Pancras, Lewes, was the true patron. He also caused the wills of various persons dying in other dioceses than his own to be proved before his commissioners, instituted legatine visitations, and procured for himself surreptitiously several large pensions from various abbots by virtue of his legatine authority. He was accordingly attached, and the sheriff was commanded to produce him in the King's Bench on Saturday after the month of Michaelmas.

On that day John Scuse and Chr. Genney produced a writ, by virtue of which they were admitted attornies for the Cardinal, who appointed them as such on the 27th Oct. They pleaded on the Cardinal's behalf that he did not know the obtaining of the bulls to be in contempt and prejudice of the King, or against any statute of provisors, but threw himself upon the King's mercy. Judgment was ultimately given that the Cardinal should be out of the King's protection, and forfeit to the King all his lands and goods.

"Postea Trin. 22do H. VIII. habet cartam allocationis pro præmissis, &c."

Ibid. Rot. 37.

2. Another bill of indictment, similar to the preceding in all respects, except in the under-mentioned particulars. It was preferred by Chr. Hales, attorney-general, on the 20 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII.

By virtue of his legatine authority, Wolsey had, on the 2 Dec. 15 Hen. VIII., conferred the parish church of Galbye, Leic., Linc. dioc., void by the death of Ric. Woderoffe, on John Alyn, LL.D., now archbishop of Dublin, although the master and brethren of the hospital of Burton St. Lazer, Leic., were the true patrons.

30 Oct. **6036.** S. Vaughan to Cromwell.

R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. ii. 171.

Is anxious to know how he is treated in this sudden overthrow of my lord his master; "and like as a true heart is never overthrown with no tempest, like so cannot the same in your trouble but be now much more thristye to know your state, and more greedy to show you, if it were possible by works, how much it coveteth to serve you." Were not our governor dead, I would see you, whatever trouble it cost. Doubts not Cromwell's truth and wisdom will preserve him from danger. "You are more hated for your

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master's sake than for anything which I think you have wrongfully done against any man." Wished very much to tell him before he left London how much he feared what has come to pass, but durst not write it. Antwerp, 30 Oct. 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To Master Crumwell in London.

31 Oct. R. O. **6037.** Ric. Phelypp to Crumwell.

Thanks him for the trouble he has taken for him, and desires him to continue to intercede for him with my lord's Grace. The Barons of the Exchequer have taken surety for him to appear the morrow of Martinmas, but he remains in ward. All Hallow Even.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Crumwell.

6038. Grants in October 1529.

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2. Walter Hungerforde, squire of the Body. Licence to alienate the manor of Heightesbury Estcourte, with certain land, and 40*s.* rent, in Heightredesbury *alias* Heightesbury Estcourte, Wilts, to Wm. lord Sandes, the King's chamberlain, Sir John Bourchier, Sir Wm. Stourton, Sir John Seymour, John Bonham, Thos. Gifford, and Thos. Westley; to hold to them and the heirs of the said Thos. Westley for ever. Westm., 2 Oct.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 5.

2. Walter Hungerford, squire of the Body. Licence to alienate the manors of Chippenham, Sheldon, and Buddesdon, with certain land, and 100*s.* rent, in the said places; also the hundreds of Chippenham, Bishopesden, and Donlowe, Wilts, to Hen. marquis of Exeter, Thos. earl of Rutland, Wm. lord Sandes, Sir Thos. Cheyne, Sir Ric. Sandes, Hen. White, and Ric. Andrewes; to hold to them and the heirs of the said Hen. White for ever. Westm., 2 Oct.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 5.

8. Geo. Frauncys. To be customer of the ports of Plymouth and Fowey, *vice* Hen. Harford. *Del.* Westm., 8 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. —S.B.

8. Wm. Thynne, chief clerk of the kitchen. To be receiver-general of the earldom of March; also keeper of Gately park, in Wigmoresland, *vice* Sir Edw. Crofte. Windsor, 8 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., same day.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1. *m.* 11.——Vacated on surrender, 5 May 38 Hen. VIII., in order to grant a fresh patent to the said Wm. and John Thynne.

9. John Screven and Christina his wife. Licence to alienate the reversion of the third part of a messuage, a water-mill, 140 acres of land, 40 acres of meadow, 30 acres of pasture, and 12 acres of wood, in Gotehall, Somers., now held by Geo. Lynde and Mary his wife, during the life of the said Mary, to Ric. Long, Wm. Hambrigge, Ric. Stone, and Robt. Compton, and the heirs of the said Ric. Long for ever. Westm., 9 Oct.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

9. Robt. Cheltenham, yeoman, of South Harting, Suss. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 9 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

10. Peter Bawde, King's gunner in the Tower of London. Pension of 16*d.* a day from 1 Sept. 20 Hen. VIII. Westm., 10 Oct.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

13. The staple of wool, hides, fleeces, and lead at Exeter. Assent to the election of Robt. Buller as mayor, and John Blackaller and John Wolcote as constables of the said staple. Westm., 13 Oct.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

13. The staple of wool, hides, fleeces, and lead at Bristol. Assent to the election of John Shipman as mayor, and John Edwardes and Ric. Tonell as constables of the said staple. Westm., 13 Oct.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

14. Isabella abbess of Wilton. Grant (in accordance with the statute 1 Hen. VIII.) of a capital messuage and two hides of land in Staunton *aforesaid*,* and a tenement and a messuage in Staunton. The Abbess is to render an account of the issues. Anth. and Ric. Nevyll, sureties. Westm., 14 Oct.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

14. John Gough. To have, jointly with the present holder, Wm. Hoggeson, the corrody in the monastery of Chichester. Woodstock, 26 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 Oct.—P.S.

15. John Cowland, mercer, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Windsor Castle, 12 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 15 Oct.—P.S.

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16. Robt. Robson, salter, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Windsor Castle, 15 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 Oct.—P.S.

19. Barnard Tunbroke, native of the bishopric of Cologne. Denization. Westm., 19 Oct.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

22. *Cambridgeshire:* Commission to Sir Wm. Gascoygn, Walter Luke, Hen. Barley, Thos. Hatton, and Thos. Pygott to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of Francis Haselden. Westm., 22 Oct.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 18*d.*

24. Wm. Heton, "girdeler," of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Greenwich, 24 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *No date of delivery.*—P.S.

29. Robt. Ordwey, yeoman, of Worcester. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Windsor Castle, 19 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 Oct.—P.S.

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1 Nov. **6039.** WM. CAPON to CROMWELL.

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Has received his letters by Hugh Whalley, and sends the release of the French queen and the duke of Suffolk. Is right sorrowful for my Lord's heaviness, beseeching God to be his aid and comfort, and send him his prince's favor again, for which all the company of the college here shall daily pray.

Asks whether Wolsey wishes him to come up to him, and bring his books. The auditor can tell how he stands. If he is to stay, wishes to know how many he must retain at the college. The tenants here daily exclaim for their old leases again. Answers according to the law, and does his best to pacify them. Sends dame Caston's letter. Asks him and Rushe to settle with her for her lease. Expects a *subpœna* from her. Wishes them to settle Veysey's lease also, for he sorely vexes the tenants. The Cardinal's College, Gipswiche, Allhallowen Day. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful, &c., Mr. Thomas Cromwell.

1 Nov. **6040.** FRENCH DEBT.

S. B.

Receipt by Henry VIII. of 47,368 cr. of the sun, and 16*s.* Tours, in part payment of 1,894,736 cr. due to Henry by Francis I. 1 Nov. 1529, 21 Hen. VIII.

2 Nov. **6041.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 381.

Besides what I have written to Francis, I need not say much to you, especially considering the assurance you give me of my seeing you so soon, which is as great a blessing to me as if I were elected your bishop. Not that I am weary of serving, here or elsewhere; for if I have endured to see most of my servants fall dead before me, expecting every hour the same fate myself, (for the danger was much greater than I was willing to write to you, for fear of creating too great alarm,) it is not to be supposed but that I would have endured a little longer inconvenience. But as I hear that the urgency with which I have asked for my recall has not been well taken, I mean to have the first word when I get back.

You will see what I have written to Francis about his affairs; of which I wish to send information, although I am hourly expecting my brother, principally to intimate that this King is not without some suspicion at seeing you enter into closer relations with the person whom he loves least in the world; while, on the other hand, before his own people, and especially in much company, in speaking of Francis he justifies all his acts, and says all he possibly can. To me, privately, however, he always makes some little

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degree of complaint. I think our Dukes desire to keep their master in goodwill, and wish it to be known that they have not in past time behaved towards you in such wise as they suppose Wolsey has given to understand; but, on the contrary, it was he who, in spite of his master and all the world, led you into the labyrinth in which you have been so long. One day, when they came to see me, they regaled themselves a whole supper time and four hours more, with such discourses, alleging to me various reasons, some of which I know to be true, and others very probable. In short, they are anxious that people should have as much confidence in them as they had in the Cardinal; and although I doubt not but my brother will have enough of credence to report to them, I think it would be well that Francis by his first despatch should make it appear, by letters to me, that I had given him information of it, and that he instructed me in return to thank them with many good offers. That would be of more effect than a credence, which they think might be forged on the anvil of an ambassador, and would occasion less jealousy to the others than if letters were addressed to themselves. I do not speak of my lord of Rocheford, who is, as it were, one with them, nor of his daughter; for I imagine that as to them you have provided in my brother's despatch, so that there would be no need of reply. And if, on his return from here, you had served them with the meat which I believe he told you of, you would have expedition of everything which you demanded there. I do not see now any means of obtaining it, for they will not do the deed and undo it (?) (*car ils ne vouldront faire le faict et le deffaict*), knowing the nature of the man with whom they have to deal, who is not so easy to manage as is supposed. I expect that by the time the despatch of which I have spoken arrives, I shall have already left. But it will be all one, as the letter can be shown by my successor. The new Chancellor and Fitzwilliam also profess that they will do wonders about this amity, and it seems they have a good mind to it. London, 2 Nov.

Fr. Add.

6042. HENRY VIII. to WOLSEY.

S. B.

Commanding him to issue writs under the Great Seal summoning a Parliament to London on the 3 Nov. next.

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6043. PARLIAMENT.

Rolls of Parl.

Begun at the Black Friars, London, 3 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII., the King being present the first day. Sir Thos. More as chancellor declared the cause of its being summoned,* viz., to reform such things as have been used or permitted in England by inadvertence, or by the changes of time have become inexpedient, and to make new statutes and laws where it is thought fit. On these errors and abuses he discoursed in a long and elegant speech, declaring with great eloquence what was needful for their reformation, and in the end he ordered the Commons in the King's name to assemble next day in their accustomed house and choose a Speaker, whom they should present to the King. That grievances might be examined, receivers and triers of petitions were appointed for the present Parliament, whose names were read out in French by the clerk of the Parliaments in the usual fashion.

Receivers of petitions from England, Ireland, Wales, and Scotland:—Sir John Taillour, Sir Will. Knyght, Sir John Wolman, Sir Roger Lupton. *Of Gascony and parts beyond sea:*—Sir Steph. Gardiner, Sir Jo. Throkmerton, Sir Thos. Newman.

* See his speech in Hall, wherein he speaks of Wolsey as "the great wether which is of late fallen, as you all know, so craftily, so scabbedly, yea, and so untruly juggled with the King."—Hall, p. 764.

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Triers of petitions from England, Ireland, Wales, and Scotland:—The archbishop of Canterbury, the dukes of Norfolk and Suffolk, the marquises of Dorset and Exeter, the bishop of London, the earl of Shrewsbury, viscounts Lisle, Fitzwater, and Rocheford, the abbot of Westminster, and Sir John FitzJames. *From Gascony and beyond sea:*—The bishop of Exeter, the earls of Arundel, Northumberland and Rutland, lords Audeley, Mountjoy, and Sandes, the abbot of the Good St. Edmund, and Sir Rob. Brudnell.

After this the Parliament, on account of the plague, adjourned to Westminster, to meet there next day, viz., Thursday 4 Nov.

Afterwards, viz., on Saturday the 4th inst. [Dec.], the Commons presented Thos. Audeley to the King as their Speaker, who, after making his excuse, which was not admitted, made protestation that if he should declare anything on the part of the Commons, he should be at liberty to correct it; which was conceded by the Chancellor by command of the King.

1. Act of general pardon.
2. Concerning such as take sanctuary.
3. Concerning delays in assizes.
4. Concerning executors.
5. Fines for probates.*
6. Taking of mortuaries.
7. Against servants withdrawing themselves with their masters' goods.
8. For rearing of calves.
9. Limiting the prices of woollen hats made beyond sea.
10. Against exportation of laten brass and mixed metal.
11. For restitution to persons robbed by felons.
12. For true making of cables in Burporte, Dorset.
13. Against spiritual persons taking farms, pluralities, &c.
14. For the linendrapers in London.
15. Tenants may falsify only for their terms recoveries made by covyn.
16. Concerning strangers handicraftsmen.
17. Repeal of grant to citizens of York for shipping of wools to Hull.
18. Concerning shipping of merchandize at Newcastle-upon-Tyne.
19. Concerning avowries.
20. To associate the president of the King's Council with the chancellor and treasurer of England and keeper of the Privy Seal in executing the statute of liveries.
21. Concerning the making of worsteds at Yarmouth.
22. For Tho. D. of Norfolk.
23. Concerning the will of John Rooper the elder, of Canterbury.
24. Release to the King of money had by way of loan.
25. No person to be injured by the attainder of the Cardinal.
26. For Eliz. D. of Norfolk.

R. O. 2. [List of the Parliament.]

i. "Nomina [militum.]"

Northumb.: [Sir] Cuthbert Ratclyf, [Sir] Rob. Collyngwod. *Cumb.:* [Sir] Chr. Dacre, John Leigh. *Westmor.:* Sir Wm. Musgrave, Thos. Blenkensop. *Lanc.:* Hen. Faryngton, And. Barton. *York.:* Sir John

* It was in reference to this Act, according to Hall, that bishop Fisher said openly in Parliament, "My lords, you see daily what bills come hither from the Common House, and all is to the destruction of the Church. For God's sake, see what a realm the kingdom of Boheme was, and when the Church went down then fell the glory of the kingdom. Now with the Commons is nothing but 'Down with the Church!' And all this, meseemeth, is for lack of faith only." This speech brought out a remonstrance from the Commons, who accused the Bishop, by Audley their speaker, before the King, for saying they were no better than heretics. After their departure the King sent for the bishop of Rochester and others; on which Fisher excused himself.—Hall, p. 766.

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Nevile now lord Latymer, Sir Marm. Conestable. *Lincolnsh.:* Sir John Husee now lord Husee, *Sir Gilb. Tailboys late lord Tailbois. *Notts:* Sir John Mar . . . . m, Sir John Beron. *Derb.:* Sir Rog. Mynors, Sir Wm. Coff[in]. *Leic.:* Sir Rich. Sacheverell, Sir Wm. Skev[in]gton. *Warw.:* Sir Geo. Th[ro]gmerton, Sir Edw. F[err]ers. *Rutland:* Sir Everard [Di]gby, Sir John Harryng[ton]. [*Northampt.*]: Sir Wm. Parre, ... Knightley. ———: Sir Wm. Gascoyn, Geo. Acworth. ———. Sir And. now lord Wyndesore, Sir John Russell. *Camb.:* Sir Rob. Payton, Sir Giles Alyngton. *Hunts:* Sir Nich. Harvy, Sir Laur. Taillard. *Norf.:* Sir Rog. Towneshende, Sir Jas. Bolleyn. [*Suff.*]: Sir Anth. Wyngfelde, Tho. Wentworth now lord Wentworth. [*Es*]*sex:* Tho. Bonham, Sir Tho. Audeley. [*He*]*rts:* *Hen. Barley, Sir John Butler. *Middx.:* Rob. Wroth, Rich. Hawkes. *Kent:* Sir Edw. Guldeforde, Sir Hen. Guldeforde. *Surr.:* Sir Wm. Fitzwilliams, Sir Nich. Carewe. *Suss.:* Sir John Gaige, Sir Rich. Shirley. *Oxon:* Sir John Dauntesey, Sir Wm. Barentyne. *Berks:* Sir Wm. Essex, Sir Rich. Weston. *Salop:* Sir Tho. Co[r]newall, *John Blount. *Staff.:* Sir John Gylfo[rd], Sir Edw. Lytilton. *Heref.:* Sir Rich. Cornwall, *John Rudale. *Glouc.:* Sir Wm. Kingeston, Sir John Bryges. *Worc.:* Sir Gilb. Talbot, Sir John Russell. *Wilts:* *Sir Edw. Darrell, Sir Edw. Baynton. *Hants:* Sir Wm. Paulet, Sir Rich. Sandis. *Soms.:* Sir Nich. Wadham, Sir Wm. Sturton. *Dors.:* Sir Giles Strangweys, Sir John Horsey. *Devon:* Sir Wm. Courteney, Sir Tho. Denys. *Cornw.:* Sir Piers Edgecombe, Sir Rich. Grenfelde.

ii. "Nomina civium et burgensium."

London: Sir Tho. Semer, John Baker, John Petyt, Paul Wythypoll. *York:* *Pet. Jakson, alderman, Sir Geo. Lawson. *Norwich:* Edw. Rede, Reg. Lytilprowe. *Coventry:* Rog. Wygstone, John Bonde. *Lincoln:* Vincent Grantham, Wm. Scoumys. *Bristol:* Tho. Jubbes, Rich. Abyngdon. *Newcastle-upon-Tyne:* Sir Tho. Tempest, Hen. Anderson. *Cinque Ports:* [*Folkstone?*] . . . . *Calveley, Tho. Shosewell. [*Deal?*]: Nich. Sutton, John Flecher. *Winchelsea:* Tho. Ensing, Geo. Lowys. *Rumney:* Rich. Gybson, John Buntyng. *Hithe:* John Hall, Steph. Harryes. *Dover:* Rob. Nethersale, John Warren. *Sandwich:* Vincent Engeham, John Boys. *Berwick:* John Martyn, *John Couper. *Carlisle:* Edw. Aglyonby, John Coldeale. *Apulby:* Sir Rich. Tempest, Tho. Wharton. *Kingston-upon-Hull:* Geo. Madyson, Edw. Madyson. *Scarborough:* Sir Ralph Ellercare, Geo. Flynton. *Stamford:* John Hardgreave, Maur. Johnson. *Grynsby:* Sir Wm. Askewe, John Hennege. *Grauntham:* Sir Wm. Husee, Fran. Hall. *Nottingham:* Sir Anth. Babyngton, Hen. Statham. *Derby:* Tho. Warde, Hen. Aynesworth. *Leicester:* Tho. Brokesby, Rob. Harward. *Warwick:* Sir Wm. Newenham, Tho. Holte. *Northampton:* Laur. Manley, Nich. Rous. *Bedford:* John Baker, Wm. Bourne. *Buckingham:* John Hasilwood, Edw. Sooll. *Wycombe:* Wm. Wyndesore, Robt. Dormer. *Cambridge:* Tho. Braken, Rob. Chapman. *Huntingdon:* Tho. Hall, Wm. Webbe. *Bishops Lynn:* Tho. Miller, Rich. Bewcher. *Yarmouth:* Humf. Wyngfelde, John Ladde. *Ipswich:* Tho. Russhe, Tho. Heywarde. *Donwich:* Sir Rob. Rous, Chr. Jenny. *Colchester:* Sir John Raynesford, Rich. Riche. *Malden:* Tho. Tey, Edw. Payton. *Orforde:* Erasmus Paston, Rich. Hunte. *Canterbury:* Tho. Wodde, John Brydgis. *Rochester:* *Nich. Hurleton, Rob. Fyssher. *Guyldeforde:* Sir Tho. Palmer, John Dale. *Bleching Lee:* Nich. Lygh, John Seynt John. *Reygate:* John Skynner, Tho. Michell. *Southwark:* *Sir John Sylsterne, Rob. Acton. *Gatton:* John Guldeforde, Wm. Saunders. *Chichester:* Rob. Bowyer, Rob. Trygges. *East Grenested:* Wm. Rutter, Edw. Godewyn. *Lewes:* Sir Edw. Bray, John Batenore. *Horsham:* Alvard Berwyk, Hen. Husee. *Shoreham:* John Covert, John Michell. *Steynyng:* Tho. Shurley, John Morreys. *Arundell:* Rich. Sakevyle, Tho. Prestall. *Midherst:* Geo. Gyfforde, John

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Basset. *Brambre:* Hen. Lee, Wm. Roper. *Oxford:* John Latton, Wm. Flemyng. *Wallyngforde:* Sir Edw. Chamberleyn, Guthlac (Godelacius) Overton. *Reading:* Tho. Vachell, John Raymonde. *Windsor:* Tho. Warde, Wm. Symondes. *Stafford:* *Tho. Stampford, John Bykeley. *Newcastle-under-Lyne:* John Persall, Ric. Grey. *Salop:* Rob. Dudeley, Adam Mitton. *Bridgenorth:* Humph. Goldeston, Geo. Haywarde. *Ludlow:* Wm. Fox, John Cother. *Wenlocke:* John Foster, Edw. Hall. *Heref.:* Rich. Warmecombe, Tho. Hawarde. *Lempster:* John Bell, John Hillesley. *Gloucester:* John Rawlyns, Adam Apowell. *Worcester:* *Hugh Dee, *John Brennyng. *New Sarum:* Wm. Webbe, Tho. Chaffyn. *Wilton:* Geoffrey Pole, Edm. Knightley. *Old Sarum:* Tho. Hylton, Wm. Lambert. *Ludgareshale:* Hen. Bridges, Rich. Brydgis. *Wotton Bassett:* Rich. Tracy, Walt. Wynston. *Le Devise:* John Poyntz, Rich. Mytton. *Malmesbury:* Tho. Edgare, Wm. Stamp. *Bodwyn:* *Wm. Newdygate, John Berwyke. *Cryklade:* Rob. Coursone, Wm. Rede. *Marleburth:* Edm. Darrell, Hen. Baggot. *Dounton:* Nich. Hare, Wm. Horwod. *Calne:* Wm. Crouche, John Turgeys. *Chipnam:* Wm. Button, Tho. Wylkes. *Hynden:* John Hynde, John Bawdewyne. *Westbury:* Tho. Kyrton, Tho. Temys. *Heytesbury:* Sir John Seymour, Rob. Seymour. *Winchester:* Wm. Halles, *Tho. Coke. *Southampton:* Nich. Dey, John Milles. *Portsmouth* · Geoffray Lee, Fran. Digneley. *Bath:* John Byrde. Tho. Welpeley. *Wells:* John Cutte, John Mawdelyn. *Taunton:* Tho. Crumwell, Wm. Portman. *Bridgewater:* Hen. Thorneton, Hugh Trotter. *Shaftesbury:* Wm. More, John Mathew. *Wareham:* John Orenge, Wm. Grymston. *Dorchester:* Jasper Fyloll, Wm. Nanfan. *Bridport:* Wm. Chard, jun., Rich. Furlok. *Melcombe:* Rich. Philips, Oliv. Laurence. *Weymouth:* Wm. Bonde, Rob. Aley. *Poole:* Wm. Thornehill, Wm. Betylcombe. *Lyme:* *John Pyne, Tho. B[ur]gh. *Exeter:* Hen. Hamplyn, John Blakaller. *Dartmouth:* John Trevanyan, Wm. Hollande. *Plympton:* Tho. Gregorie, John Mertyn, jun. *Tavistock:* Wm. Honychurche, Jas. Dynham. *Barstable:* Hugh Yowe, Anth. Bury. *Tottenesshe:* John Jelys, Adam Raylegh. *Plymouth:* Tho. Vowell, John Pollarde. *Helston:* Edm. Smyth, John Holdiche. *Bodmyn:* Tho. Trefry, Gilb. Flamoke. *Leskeret:* Jas. Trevyniarde, Hen. Pyne. *Lestwithiell:* John Tredenyke, Rich. Bryan. *Trerewe:* Rog. Corbet, John Thomas. *Downeshed:* Edw. Ryngeley, John Rastell. *Launston:* Sim. Mounforde, Wm. Harries. *Preston in Aldernes:* Chr. Heydoke, *Jas. Walton. *Lancaster:* Laur. Starky, Rich. Southworthe. *Thetford:* Giles Heron, Wm. Dauntesey.

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R. O. 3. A list of twenty-nine bills of Parliament, viz., on decay of husbandry, weights and measures, for sheriffs, for the cobblers, for the excessive fees in the Exchequer, gold and silver, saddlers, cloths not to be carried over (exported) unwrought, articles for the marts beyond the seas, calves, tanners, fresh rivers, recoveries and fines to uses, marshes and marsh lands, fullers and sheremen, ruin and decay of houses and tillage. "A bill put up to the King in his Parliament by his Commons in a° Dñi 1410, concerning the temporal possessions being in the hands of the Church." Of "prymier seasons," farms, the merchant adventurers, statute of the great subsidy, conveyance of coin out of the realm, repealing of attainders, another bill on marshes and marsh lands, statutes of Lambeth, pulling down of towns, heresies, against pluralities, and on merchant adventurers taking great brokes and exactions.

Pp. 2. *Endd.:* "A bill of the names of the Parliament papers remaining in our counting house."

* The word "mortuus" is written in the margin against each of these names.

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R. O. Statutes, III. 315.

4. Act releasing to the King all such sums as were due upon loans.
Pp. 10. *Endd.*

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5. Another copy.

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6. Draft bill for remedying the inconvenience of defective titles to land, proposing to enact that from 1 Jan. next all entails be annulled, and all possessions be held in fee simple; that no use be available or of any effect in the law unless recorded in the Court of Common Pleas, and that registers be kept in every shire. The fee for such records to be 2*s.*, and for registering and writing them 1*d.* for eight lines of ten inches long. That after the seller has sealed the deed of gift, and possession is taken, the said deed be openly read upon a holyday next following in the church or churches of the parishes in which the land lies, at such time as most people are present; and so read, the vicar, parish priest, or curate "to fyrme" the said deed, which is then to be registered in the shire town where the said land lies. The mayor or bailiff to affix the seal of the town, or such seal as is appointed, and to charge only 2*s.* This Act is not to affect the estates of noblemen within the degree of baron, but their lands to remain entailed, and no man is to buy any nobleman's estate, unless the nobleman have first obtained the King's licence under his broad seal. Possessions purchased according to the above order shall not be devict, evict, or recovered out of the possession of the purchaser in any court. That all lands and other possessions, "of which, before this time, recovery hath been had or fine levied upon, and five years past after the fine or recovery, be taken for fee simple." That all persons whose ancestors have peaceably possessed lands, &c. for 40 years, without any claim having been made, shall enjoy the same without any action being admitted against them.

Pp. 4, *draft. Endd.:* "Concerning forging of false evidences."

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7. Draft of an Act concerning the fees levied by the prelates and ordinaries for administering the "sacraments and sacramentals" of the Church. See "Statutes of the Realm," III. 285.

Pp. 7. *Corrected by Cromwell. Headed by him:* "Concerning an order to be taken and set in the spiritualty."

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8. Part of a bill in Parliament, defective at the beginning, for the remission of a rent of 15*s.* a year, which has been in arrear from 7 Nov. 17 Hen. VIII., formerly paid to the Exchequer by the prior of the Hospital [of St. John?] through the sheriffs of London, for the site of two forges, apparently in Fleet Street, which were destroyed in Jack Straw's insurrection in the time of Richard II., and have not been allowed to be rebuilt since, "[b]y cause of the great instraighting, noysaunce, and deformytie of the said strete," and that the King may resume the site into his hands.

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Hall, p. 765.

9. Grievances charged by the Commons upon the Spiritualty:—1. Excessive fines for probates of testaments. Sir Henry Guilford complained that, as executor of Sir William Compton, he had paid the Cardinal and archbishop Warham 1,000 marks sterling for probate duty. 2. Extreme exactions for mortuaries. 3. Against priests becoming stewards and farmers to bishops and abbots. 4. Against abbots keeping tan-houses, and buying and selling wool. 5. The non-residence of the clergy. 6. Against pluralities and unlearned ministers. On this Hall remarks:—"These things before this time might in nowise be touched, nor yet talked of by no man, except he would be made an heretic, or lose all that he had; for the bishops were chancellors, and had all the rule about the King, so that no man durst once presume to attempt anything contrary to their profit or commodity."

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6044. PARLIAMENT.

"Articles condescended and agreed by the King's highness and the noblemen of this his realm of England, being assembled in this present Parliament, begun in the 3rd day of November in the 21st year of his most noble reign, to be ingrossed in due form, and to be enacted by authority of the same Parliament in the next full court thereof, after the prorogation of the same hereafter to be had."

1. The King shall have the wardship of the whole heritage of the heirs under age of persons holding lands of him in chief by knight's service, and also lands of other lords, except the fees of the archbishop of Canterbury, "and of the Bishop of difference between Tyne and Tese."

2. In similar cases, the land being in feoffment or recovery to the holder's use, and no will, jointure or other limitation of use thereof declared, the King shall have the whole in ward.

3. Notwithstanding any will, jointure or other use to the contrary, the King shall have the third part of the lands and tenants.

4. When part of the lands are held of the King by knight's service in chief, and other lands held of other men in socage or otherwise, the King shall have that portion not put in use by will, jointure, or otherwise, or else the third part, at his pleasure.

5. If the lands held of the King do not extend to the third part of his whole estate, the King shall have the lands held of him, and as much of the residue as will make up the third part.

6. In case of the death of any tenant for life or in dower of a King's ward, the King shall have the lands wholly if the possession or use comes to the said ward.

7. In the case of lands held not in chief, the King shall have the third part, notwithstanding any will, use, or jointure; but if there be none, the whole.

8. If the heir in the King's ward sues out his livery in three months after being of full age, and finds sufficient surety to pay a third part of one year's profits of the lands from which the King took profit during his nonage, he shall have his livery with the whole profit from the time of his attaining full age.

9. If he do not sue within three months, the King shall take the profit of the lands until he shall have sued livery.

10. If he sue livery of any reversion or use of reversion which came to him while he was in the King's ward, he shall pay the third part of one year's value thereof.

11. If he will not sue his livery of a reversion till the possession comes to him, he shall pay the half of one year's profits; and if he do not sue within three months, the King shall be answered of the mean profits from the death of the tenant till he shall have sued his livery.

12. An heir of full age at his ancestor's death shall have his livery with profits since his ancestor's death, on sueing for it within three months, and finding sureties to pay the King the half of one year's profits; but if he do not sue within that time, the King shall have the profits till he do sue.

13. In cases of reversion, he shall also pay half one year's profits.

14. No gift in tail or other device to exclude the King from his profits shall be of avail.

15. If any new device is contrived by which the King and his successors might derive more profit than from the above Articles, the King is contented that it be enacted that he take these profits and none others.

16. Writs of right may be sued out of the Chancery, for the surety of jointures, &c., paying the same fine as for writs of entry "in the *post*," and recoveries may be had thereupon.

17. Such recoveries shall be a bar against any pe ons named in the recovery and their heirs.

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18. If any person agreeing to these Articles die before they are enacted by Parliament, they shall nevertheless take full effect between the King and the person's heirs.

19. All persons of whom land is held by knight's service shall have the wardship of the third part of the land, as is devised in these Articles, for land held of the King by knight's service and not in chief.

20. If the lands descended in possession or use do not suffice to make the third part due to the King, he may take part of the lands appointed for performance of the ancestor's will, or else of those appointed for the jointure.

21. These Articles shall not give the King any profit in the case of dowers, jointures, and other particular estates for term of life, until after the death of the tenant.

22. The King and every other lord shall have advantage of *Gard pur cause de Garde* after the nature of their tenures; no benefit shall be taken for the marriage of any heir in the life of the ancestor.

23. Any heir beyond sea at the death of his ancestor shall have five months to make suit for his livery.

Signed: Henry R.—Thomas More, cancellarius—T. Norfolk—Charlys Suffolk*—Thomas Dorset—H. Exeter—W. Arrundell—John Oxynford—E. Derby—H. Worcester—Thomas Rutland—T. Wylsher—Robt. Sussex—Arthur Lysle—G. Bergevenny—Audelay—T. Berkeley—Henry Mountagu—Willm. Dacre—Harry Morley—Edward Grey—William Graye—John Berners—W. Mountjoy—Henry Daubney—T. Darcy—T. Mountegle—John Husey—A. Wyndesore—T. Wentworth—Thomas Burgh—Edmond Bray.

Modern copy, pp. 9.

6045. Bill touching Proctors.

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Though it is desirable that everything hurtful to the common weal should be reformed, nothing requires more speedy reformation than a certain ordinance lately procured in the court of Arches at London, by means of the proctors there in their own interest, who have suggested to the archbishop of Canterbury that whereas there were formerly 20 or 24 proctors, and his Grace always at liberty to admit more or fewer, no man should be admitted henceforth until the number were reduced to ten, which should never afterwards be exceeded. Then, lest the Archbishop, out of the love he always bears to the common weal, should afterwards repeal this statute, as his predecessors did a similar one, they caused it to be confirmed by the chapter and convent of Christchurch, Canterbury, which, as they allege, deprives him of the power to alter it. Thus they have made a sort of corporation among themselves, though they do not call it so; wherein be it considered whether they have not broken the law. This statute ought to be annulled by the present Parliament. First, because it is the occasion of lengthened litigation, business being thrown into so few hands. Second, men may be deprived of counsel altogether, and many good causes be lost, for want of looking to. Third, the fewer the proctors are, they will the more easily agree to grant each other delays. Fourth, these proctors omit commonly an oath called *juramentum calumniæ*, which is the best provision in the civil and the canon law against protracted suits. Fifth, the statute evidently tends to the maladministration of justice; for no proctor would dare to be retained or to do his best for a client whom the judges favored, as they are removable at their pleasure; and this much more in cases of office where the judge is concerned. They have been often threatened with expulsion for speaking freely. A greater number would not be so subject to the judges, and it would be better to make them removable only for certain

* Wrongly copied "Sussex."

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offences proved before indifferent judges. Now, the more partial the judge is, the less use the proctor is to his client. To remedy this partiality, appeal was invented, but is now abused to prevent execution of justice. The right of appeal should be limited, as tending to make suits infinite, and this may be done the easier as there are two legates in England to determine all spiritual matters. Sixth, if a powerful man sue a poor man, he will be able to retain most of the proctors; and the others, being so wealthy from their fewness, will not care to take the poor man's fee, or, taking it, will be slack for fear of the rich man. With a greater number, their offices will not be so gainful, and they will regard their fees more than any man's pleasure. Seventh, it will discourage young men from study, as there will he fewer rewards, and probably the proctors themselves would become less learned and diligent, as there would be less choice. Eighth, it is contrary to their own law of civil and canon, which permits every man to be proctor for other, with certain exceptions, as a woman, a child, a madman, &c. The law is approved by the opinions of many wise clerks, and by the usage of divers countries, but the statute is for the private advantage of a few. It is more reasonable that a man should choose a person whom he can best trust, than be restricted to a few.

A middle way between the law and the statute is best. If unlearned and unexpert men were admitted as proctors it would cause tumult and disorder, but such a small number is not sufficient for the cases. It should, therefore, be enacted by the present Parliament, that as many of those sufficiently learned and exercised in ihe court should be admitted as seem sufficient to my lord of Canterbury and the other presidents for the business of the court, without fixing any limit, as was the custom before this statute was passed. The number of causes varies, and it were better to have too many proctors than too few; and that they should be removeable only for stated offences, to be tried by judges chosen by their own consent. The King should appoint two proctors sworn only to promote his Grace's interest in the court, as the proctors when admitted swear never to be against the liberties and jurisdiction of the court, and there may be actions relating to the King's prerogative against the court. They should also be ready to defend any of the King's subjects who desire them, and should be removeable only by the King and Council. These enactments would remedy the above abuses, and others not mentioned.

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6046. PARLIAMENT.

R. O. Bill in Parliament in behalf of the mayor and corporation of the town of Oxford to protect them from the jurisdiction of the University, whose powers have been made more arbitrary by the liberties granted to them at Wolsey's suit, by patent 1 April 18 Hen. VIII. This patent the commissioners pray may be cancelled.

6047. CONVOCATION.

R. O. 1. [List of persons summoned to the Convocation of the province of Canterbury,] arranged in dioceses. (N.B. Opposite the names marked with an asterisk the word "personaliter" is written.)

Canterbury diocese:—*Thomas prior of Christchurch, Canterbury. The chapter of the same, by the prior. Will. Warham, archdeacon of Canterbury, by Peter Ligham. *John abbot of St. Augustine's, Canterbury. John abbot of Feversham. Will. abbot of St. Radegund. Will. prior of St. Martin's, Dovor. Rob. prior of Folkeston. Will. abbot of Langdon. *Ric. prior of Horton. *Arthur prior of Ledes. *Thos. prior of Combwell,

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John abbot of Boxley. John prior of Bilsyngton (personally and by the prior of Overey). Proctors of the clergy: *Peter Ligham, *John Leffe.

London dioc.: — Ric. Pace, dean of St. Paul's. The chapter, by Dr. Smyth.——*Archdeaconry of London:* *Will. Clyff, archdeacon. Hen. abbot of Graces by the Tower. *Nich. prior of Holy Trinity. Will. prior of St. Bartholomew's, by the prior of Walsyngham. *Thos. prior of St. Mary's, Bishopsgate. *John prior of Elsyngspitell. The master of Acon. The master of St. Bartholomew's, Smythfeld. The master of the college of St. Laurence Pultney. Will. Weston, prior of St. John's.——*Archdeaconry of Essex:*—*Ric. Rawson, archdeacon. *Will. abbot of Stratford. *John abbot of Bylegh. Thos. prior of Lyes, by the prior of St. Mary's without Bishopsgate. The priors of Pritwell, Bykenaker, Blakamore, Toby and Stanysgate (suppressed). —— *Archdy. of Middlesex:* — * Ric. Edyn, archdeacon. *John abbot of St. Peter's, Westminster. *Rob. abbot of Waltham. *Roger abbot of Tyltey (personally and by abbot of Graces). *Geoffrey prior of Dunmowe. *Edmund prior of Hatfeld Regis. The prior of Royston, by the prior of Holy Trinity, London. The prior of Latton. —— *Archdy. of Colchester:* — * Edw. Lee, archdeacon. * John abbot of St. John's, Colchester. John abbot of St. Osith's, by the abbot of St. John's, Colchester. *John abbot of Cockshall, pers. and by the abbot of Graces. John abbot of Walden, by the prior of Elsyng Spitell. *Thos. prior of St. Bartholomew's, Colchester. *John abbot of Malden alias Bilegh, pers. and by ———. The priors of Colne, Tremhale and Hatfeld Peverell. —— Proctors of the clergy: Rob. Rydley and Will Cleff.

Winchester dioc: — * Hen. prior of the Cathedral. The chapter, by brother Will. Basyng. *The abbot of Hyde. The abbot of Beaulieu. *John commendatory of Tychefeld, pers. and by abbot of Bilegh. Thos. abbot of Lettele (Netley), by the prior of Bromyare. *Will. abbot of Quarrea, pers. and by abbot of Graces. *John abbot of Waverle. Rob. abbot of Bermondsey. Will. prior of Southwyke, by the prior of Marton. *Will. prior of Brommore. Will. prior of St. Denis, Southampton, by the prior of Overey. The prior of Shelborne. *The prior of Merton. *Will. prior of St. Mary, Overey. *Thos. prior of New Place (de Novo Loco).† John prior of Reygate, pers. and by prior of Overey. *John prior of Tanrigge, pers. and by prior of Overey. *John prior of Mottisfont, by prior of Overey, and John abbot of Chertsey, by the abbot of Gloucester and Bermondsey. [William‡] Boleyn, now (*modo*) archdeacon of Winchester. ——— archdeacon of Surrey.§ Proctors of the clergy: *John Insent and *Nich. Harpisfeld.

Rochester dioc.:—*Will. prior of the Cathedral, pers. and by abbot of St. John's, Colchester. The chapter, by brother Walter Boxley. *Nich. Metcalf, archdeacon. The priors of Tunbrige and Lesnes (suppressed). Proctors of the clergy: *Rob. Johnson and *John Wilbore.

Bath and Wells dioc.:—*Ric. Wolman, dean of Wells. The chapter, by Mr. Fitz James. *Thomas prior of Bath, pers. and by Mr. Ligham. The chapter. *Ric. abbot of Glastonbury. *Rob. abbot of Keynsham, p. and by abbot of St. Austin's, Bristol. John abbot of Muchilney, by abbot of Glastonbury. Thos. abbot of Athilney, by prior of Holy Trin., London. *Will. abbot of Clive, p. and by abbot of Ford. Will. prior of Bruton. *Will. prior of Taunton, p. and by prior of Overey. Thos. prior of Montacute. John prior of Berliche, p. and by prior of Overey. The master of the hosp. of St. John's, Briggewater. The abbot of St. Saviour's. The prior of St. John's, Bath. *Polidore Virgil, archdeacon of Wells.

† Aldenbury near Guildford, according to Tanner.

‡ Blank in MS. William Boleyn succeeded to the archdeaconry in 1529.

§ According to Le Neve, Stokesley was archdeacon of Surrey before he was made bishop of London, and John Fox held the office after Stokesley.

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*Steph. Gardiner, archdeacon of Taunton.† *Rob. Shorton, archdeacon of Bath. Proctors of the clergy: *Walter Crethyng and *Jas Fitz James.

Lincoln dioc.:—Geo. Henege, dean, by Mr. Raynes. The chapter. Ric. Pate, archdeacon of Lincoln, by Mr. London. Gilbert Smyth, archdeacon of Northampton. *Nich. Wilson, archdeacon of Oxford. *Will. Knyght, archd. of Huntingdon. *Ric. Maudeley, archd. of Leicester. *John Chamber, archd. of Bedford. Edw. Derley, archd. of Stowe. *John Taylor, archd. of Bucks.

Archdy. of Lincoln:—*Ric. abbot of Kyrkested. Thos. abbot of Ramsey, p. and by abbot of Graces. *Geo. abbot of Louth Park (de Parco Ludo). *John abbot of Swyneshede. Hen. abbot de Valle Dei. Chr. abbot of Newson. The abbot of Haunby. John abbot of Tuppeholme. Ric. abbot of Newbo, by abbot of Tichefeld. The abbot of Bourne, by the abbot of Crowland. *John abbot of Crowland, p. and by abbot of Westminster. *Will. abbot of Bardeney, p. and by abbot of Crowland. Stephen abbot of Humbreston. John abbot of Thornton Curtes, by prior of Overey. Rob. abbot of Welhowe. ——— abbot of Brimire. Thos. abbot of Belvero (Belvoir). The priors of Spalding and St. Leonard's, Stafford. Ralph prior of Kyme. John prior of Markebey. Thos. prior of Elsham, by the prior of Merton. Ric. prior de Parco Nocton, by prior of Merton. The priors of Newstead (de Novo Loco), by Stamford, of the Black Monks, Lincoln, of Freston, and of Depyng. John abbot of Hagneby. *Thos. prior of Newsted. John prior of Sempringham. Ric. prior of Bullyngton. Jas. prior of Sixhole. The priors of Ormysby and Almyngham. *Rob. prior of St. Katharine's without Lincoln. The priors of Haverholme and Catteley, and Thos. prior de Novo Loco, by the prior of St. Katharine's, Lincoln. *Thos. abbot of Pipwell, by the abbot of Graces. ——— abbot of Sulby. *——— abbot of Peterborough, by the abbot of Hide. Hen. abbot of St. Jas., Northampton, by Mr. Cockys. *Will. prior of St. Andrew, Northampton. Thos. prior of Chaucombe, by the prior of Dunstable. Ric. prior of Asshebi Canons. The priors of Fynneshede, Broke and Luffeld. ——— prior of Daventre (suppressed).

Archdy. of Oxon:—*Rob. abbot of Thame, p. and by abbot of Graces. John abbot of Bruera, by abbot of Ford. John abbot of Rewley (de Regali Loco). * ——— abbot of Eynesham. *The abbot of Oseney, p. and by prior of Holy Trin., London. The abbot of Dorchester. W. prior of Burcestre. Thos. prior of Wroxton. The priors of Clatercote, Colnorton and St. Frideswide's.

Archdy. of Buckingham:—The abbots of Bytlesden and Medmenham. *Will. abbot of Lavendon, p. and by abbot of Bylegh. *Ric. abbot of Noteley, p. and by prior of Merton. John abbot of Myssenden. The priors of Tykford, Ravenston, Chetwode and Newporte. *Hugh prior of Smelleshale.

Archdy. of Huntingdon: ——— abbot of St. Alban's. *Ric. abbot of Saltrey. *The abbot of Ramesey, p. and by abbot of Peterborough (de Burgo). The prior of Herteford. John prior of St. Neots. Will. prior of the canons of Huntingdon. The priors of Stoneley and Wymundesley. Thos. rector of the college of Assherige.

Archdy. of Leicester:—Thos. abbot of Garwardon, by abbot of Byllesden. Elias abbot of Croxston, by abbot of Derham. Ric. abbot de Pratis, Leicester, by prior of Merton. John abbot of Oselweston. John prior of Launde (Landa). The prior of Kyrkby. Geoffrey prior of Ulmescrofte, by the prior of Overey. Thos. Ratlyff, master of Burton St. Lazarus. The priors of Bredon, Langley, and Braddeley.

† According to Le Neve, the archdeaconry of Taunton was held by Cranmer from 1525 till 1533, when he was made archbishop of Canterbury, and Gardiner is not mentioned as having held it at all.

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Archdy. of Bedford:—Augustine abbot of Warden, by abbot of Graces. *Rob. abbot of Wouborne. The prior of Beaulieu. John prior of Newenham, by prior of Overley (Overey?). John prior of Caldwell. *Jervase prior of Dunstaple. *Nich. prior of Bissemede. *John prior of the Gilbertine priory of Chiksand.

Archdy. of Stowe.—Matthew abbot of Barlyng, by prior of St. Katharine's, Lincoln. George prior of Therneholme. ——— prior of Torkesey.

Proctors of the clergy for Lincoln dioc.:—*John Raynes and *John London.

Ely dioc.:—*Rob. prior of Ely, p. and by abbot of Crowland. The chapter, by the prior. *Nich. Hawkyns, archdeacon of Ely. *——— abbot of Thornehey, p. and by abbot of Hide. *Thos. prior of Brenewell. John prior of Anglesey. Proctors of the clergy: *Nich. Hawkyns and *Rob. Cliff.

Norwich dioc.:—*Rob. prior of Norwich, p. and by abbot of St. Alban's. The chapter, by abbot of St. Benet's. *Geo. Windeham, archdeacon of Norwich. *Thos. Wynter, archdeacon of Norfolk.† *Ric. Wulman, archdeacon of Sudbury. *Ric. Sampson, archdeacon of Suffolk. *John abbot of Bury St. Edmund's. *John abbot of St. Benet's. Hen. abbot of Sibeton, by abbot of Graces. *——— abbot of Leyston, by abbot of Norton. Will. abbot of Wymundham, by abbot of St. Benet's. Thos. prior of Butteley, by prior of Walsingham. *Ric. prior of Walsingham, p. and by prior of Overey. ——— prior of St. Faith, Horsham, and the priors of Penteney and Bynham. *Thos. prior of Castelacre. Will. prior of Westacre, by prior of Walsingham. Rob. abbot of Langeley, by abbot of Tichfeld. Ric. abbot of Westderham. The priors of Ipworthe and Eye. Will. prior of Thetford. *Thos. prior of Coxford, p. and by prior of Holy Trin., London. The priors of Holy Trinity and St. Peter's, Ipswich. Geo. abbot of Wendling. ——— dean of Stoke college. The priors of Flichehame, Bromehelme, Wodbrige, Heringsflete, Wangstede, Runburgh, Filchestow, Blytheburgh, Letheryngham, Hempton, Shetford, (q. Thetford?), Mountjoy (de Monte Gaudii), Modney, Shuldeham (by prior of St. Katharine's, Lincoln), Heckling, Ingham, and Fordham. Proctors of the clergy: *John Pelles and Thos. Bygges.

Exeter dioc.:—Ric. Poole, dean of Exeter, p. and by Nich. Hawkyns. The chapter, by Master Brerewod. *Adam Traveis, archdeacon of Exeter. *Ric. Sidner, archdeacon of Totton. *Thos. Brerewod, archdeacon of Barnstaple. *Roland Lee, archdeacon of Cornwall. John abbot of Hertlond. *——— abbot of Tavestoke. Simon abbot of Torre, by abbot of Tichefeld. ——— abbot of Bukesestre (Buckfastre). *Thos. abbot of Forde. *Ric. abbot of Nywenham, p. and by abbot of Graces. John abbot of Dounkeswell. John abbot of Bokeland. John prior of Plympton. John prior of Launceston. Thos. prior of St. German's. ——— prior of Bodmyn. ——— prior of Frythelstoke. Thos. prior of Totton. ——— prior of Pylton. John, abbot of Bukefast. The priors of Cowyke, St. Nicholas, and St. John's, Exeter. Thos. prior of Tywardreth. ——— prior of Cawke. Proctors of the clergy: *Thos. Brerewod and *Thos. Southehern.

Salisbury dioc.:—Ric. Pace‡, dean of Salisbury. The chapter, by Mr. Hyller. John Stokesley, archdeacon of Dorset, by Mr. Insent. *Rob. Awdeley, archdeacon of Berks. *Ric. Ducke, archdeacon of Salisbury. Edw. Finche, archdeacon of Wiltshire, by Mr. Knight. *John abbot of

† According to Le Neve, Gardiner succeeded Thos. Winter as archdeacon of Norfolk, 1 March 1529, and held the archdeaconry till he became bishop, in 1531. This is surely a mistake.

‡ So in MS. But qu. Pate? According to Le Neve the dean's name was Reymund Pade.

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Mylton, p. and by abbot of Glastonbury. Thos. abbot of Scerne, by abbot of Midelton. John abbot of Shirbourne, by Mr. Ric. Hilley. John abbot of Abbotysbury, by the abbot of Winchecombe. *Thos. abbot of Abbendon, p. and by the abbot of Hide. *Hugh abbot of Reading. Ric. abbot of Malmesbury, by the abbot of Shrewsbury. Thos. abbot of Stanley. ——— prior of Wallingford. Ric. prior of Burstelesham. ——— prior of Hurley. ——— *Will. prior of Bradstocke, p. and by Mr. Ric. Hilley. *The prior of Ferleigh. Ric. prior of Ivychurch (Ederose), by prior of Brymore. *John rector of Edington, p. and by abbot of Stanley. ——— prior of Donyngton. Thos. abbot of Byndon, by abbot of Stratford. Ric. prior of Maydonbradley. The priors of Marlborough and Pulton, by the prior of St. Katharine's, Lincoln. Proctors of the clergy: Ric. Hylley and John Baker.

Coventry and Lichfield dioc.:—Thos. prior of Coventry, by the abbots of Evesham and Westminster. The chapter. Jas. Denton, dean of Lichfield, by Messrs. Snede and Strete. The chapter. John Blight, sen., archdeacon of Coventry. *John Taylour,† archdeacon of Derby. "Johannes Junior Blight,"‡ archdeacon of Stafford. *Ric. Strete, archdeacon of Salop. Will. Knyght, archdeacon of Chester. ——— abbot of Shrewsbury. Will. abbot. of Burton. Thos. abbot of Derley. John abbot of Whalley. Will. abbot of Vale Royal. Chr. abbot of Cumbermere. Will. abbot of Roucestre. Thos. abbot of Dieulancres. Thos. abbot of Haghmond. Rob. abbot of Lylleshull. John abbot of Hilton. Oliver abbot of Combe (Cumba). Will. abbot of Mereval (de Mira Valle). Rob. abbot of Stoneley. John abbot of Dale. Ric. abbot of Croxden. John abbot of Beauchief (de Bello Capite). Will. abbot of Kenylworth. Ric. prior of Tuttebury. Will. prior of Stone. ——— prior of Maxstock. Will. prior of Erdebury. ——— prior of Avecote. John prior of St. Thomas, by Stafford. ——— prior of Trencham. Thos. prior of Routon. The priors of Colewich, Dudeley, and Repindon. John prior of Greisley. Stephen abbot of Buyldwas. ——— prior of Wombrige. John abbot of St. Werburgh (Chester). *——— abbot of Norton. Rob. prior of Burslough. John prior of Birkynhede. ——— prior of Holland. Proctors of the clergy: *Ralph Snede and *Ric. Strete.

Worcester dioc.:—*Will. prior of Worcester, p. and by abbot of Winchcombe. The chapter. *Stephen Gardiner, archdeacon of Worcester. *John Bell, archdeacon of Gloucester. *Clement abbot of Evesham. John abbot of Pereshere, by abbot of Abingdon. John abbot of Berdesley, by Mr. Parker. Will. abbot of Hayles Owen, by abbot of Stratford. ——— abbot of Alyncestre. *Will. abbot of St. Peter's, Gloucester, p. and by prior of Owenny. Hen. abbot of Tewkesbury. John abbot of Cirencester. *Ric. abbot of Winchcombe. Will. abbot of St. Augustine's, Bristol, by the prior of Walsingham. Stephen abbot of Hayles, by abbot of Straford. John prior of Stodeley. Thos. prior of Great Malvern, by the prior of Worcester. John prior of Little Malvern. *Ric. prior of Lantoni, p. and by the abbot of Oseney. ——— prior of Dyrhurst. The dean of the collegiate church, Warwick. Thos. abbot of Kyngeswod. ——— abbot of Cokehill. ——— prior of St. Sepulchre's, Warwick. *Will. prior of St. Oswald, Gloucester, and by prior of Overey. ——— prior of St. Bartholomew's, Gloucester. Proctors of the clergy: John Bell and Thos. Parker.

Chichester dioc.:—*Will. Flesmonger, dean of Chichester. The chapter. *Will. Norbury, archdeacon of Chichester. *Edw. More, archdeacon of

† Ric. Street is said in Le Neve to have held this archdeaconry in 1528, after Jo. Taylor.

‡ According to Le Neve, Geoff. Blythe held this archdeaconry "a few days in 1530," and after him John Blythe, "collated 3 Oct. 1530."

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Lewes. *John abbot of Battle, p. and by abbot of Westminster. Thos. abbot of Robertsbridge. *Hen. abbot of Dureford, p. and by prior of Overey. *Rob. prior of Lewes. Thos. prior of Michilham. Thos. prior of Hastyngs, by prior of Hardham. Thos. prior of Boxgrave. *John prior of Tortyngton. *Rob. prior of Hardham, p. and by prior of Overy. *Geo. prior of Shelbrede, p. and by prior of Holy Trin., London. The abbot of Beyham and prior of Causay (Calceto). These are suppressed. Proctors of the clergy: Laurence Wadcok and Leonard Savell.

Hereford dioc.:—*Gamaliel Clyfton, dean of Hereford. The chapter. *John Both, archdeacon of Hereford. *Humph. Ogle, archdeacon of Salop. *Will. abbot of Faxley, p. and by abbot of Graces. John abbot of Dora. John abbot of Wigmore. The priors of Hereford and Monmouth. John prior of Wormesley. The priors of Leomyster and Bromfeld. Oliver prior of Churbury. John prior of Wenlok, by prior of Lewes. ——— prior of Clyfford. Proctors of the clergy: Rowland Philyppys, Humph. Ogle and John Bothe.

St. David's dioc.:—Thos. Lloyd, precentor, by Lewis Gryffyth. The chapter. Andrew Wyttney, archdeacon of St. David's. Edw. Jonys, archdeacon of Kermerden. Ric. Fetherstone, archdeacon of Brechon. John Lonteley, archdeacon of Cardygan, by Peter Ligham. ——— abbot of St. Dogmael's. *Will. abbot of Whitland (Alba Landa), p. and by abbot of Graces. The abbots of Strata Florida, Talley and Comhore. Griffin, prior of Kermerden. The priors of Haverford, Pulla, *Brechon, Lanthony Prima, and Penbroche alias Monkton. Proctors of the clergy: Peter Ligham and Lewes Griffith.

St. Asaph's dioc.:—Fouke (Focus) Salisbury, dean, by Mr. Buckley. The chapter. Peter Conway, archdeacon of St. Asaph's, by Ric. Haryson. ——— abbot of Conway. Nich. abbot of Basingwerke. ——— abbot of Strata Marcella. Rob. abbot of Valle Crucis. Proctors of the clergy: Ric. Haryson and Adam Hakynshale.

Bangor dioc.:—John Glyn, dean of Bangor, by Mr. Buckley. The chapter. Thos. Runckon, archdeacon of Bangor. *Will. Glyn, archdeacon of Anglesea. *Will. Roberts, archdeacon of Merioneth, p. and by Mr. Buckley. ——— provost of Clannok. *Will. Glyn, rector of Castry Cabii. John abbot of Bardesia. *John prior of Penmon. ——— prior of Bethhelorth (Beddgelert). Lewis abbot of Kymmer, by abbot of Graces. ——— provost of Ruthyn. Proctors of the clergy: *Will. Glyn and Arthur Buckley.

Llandaff dioc.:—The chapter of Llandaff, by Mr. Quarr. *John Quarr, archdeacon of Llandaff. *Leson abbot of Neth. Lewis abbot of Morgan. *Morgan abbot of Lanternam. *——— prior of Ewenney. ——— prior of Abergevenye. *John prior of Chepstowe. Proctors of the clergy: *Lewis Johns and *Henry Morgan.

Pp. 44. *Endd.*: "The names of divers spiritual persons within the diocese of Canterbury."

2. Proceedings of Convocation.

Wilkins' Con. III. 717.

Nov. 8. Richard Wolman elected prolocutor. Nov. 12. Conference for removal of abuses; *sc.*, ordination, morals of the clergy, excess of apparel, simony, appropriations, reform of regulars. Nov. 15. For procession against the Turks. Nov. 22. Order for abuses. Nov. 26. Articles against heretics. Nov. 29. At discussion of the same, the bishop of Bath produced a list of heretical books. Dec. 3. Provisions against heretics read. Prorogued to April 29 [1530]; —*q. v.*

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3. Grant to the King, by the Convocation of the province of Canterbury begun at St. Paul's, 5 Nov. 1529, of 100,000*l.* to be levied on the goods of the clergy at their own cost, the said costs amounting to 3,444*l.* This

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grant is in consideration of the dangers which beset the Church by Lutherans, whose books are everywhere dispersed with a view to bring the clergy into hatred, and deprive them of their possessions, and from whom they look to Henry VIII. for protection.

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4 Nov. **6048.** MARGARET ROPER to ERASMUS.

Er.Ep. p.1743. Thanking him for his letter received by Quirinus. Is glad to hear that he is pleased with the painting. Her mother, her husband, brother, and two sisters desire their remembrance. London, 4 Nov. 1529.

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4 Nov. **6049.** ARCHBISHOP OF BARI, DE PRAET, and MAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 260. B. M. Touching the Emperor's entry into Bologna, to take place the day following.

We spoke to the Pope in presence of the ambassadors of Hungary and England, and he said that as regards the court of Rome it is clear that the English have precedence, because their King styles himself king of France, but that he had heard that in your Majesty's court the ambassador of Hungary has precedence. On this we had some further conversation, which we shall tell you tomorrow. What has been arranged for tomorrow is, that since the English ambassadors will not go out to your Majesty, the señor de Breda may come, &c. Bologna, Thursday, 4 Nov. 1529.

Sp., modern copy, pp. 3.

5 Nov. **6050.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Theiner, p.588. I did not cross the sea till the 26th ult., owing to the various hindrances which met me between London and Dover. At Boulogne I received your letters of 25 Sept., so that it was impossible for me to speak to the king of England respecting the affairs of Hungary and Germany, but I had done my best in that matter before my departure. A gentleman of the King's crossed the sea in my company who was going to king Ferdinand, I suppose on this account, as the King is disposed to assist in extinguishing this conflagration.

Last evening I arrived at Paris. The king (Francis) is expected here every day. Today I have received yours of 17 Aug. and 3 Sept., with the breves for my recall, which travelled from here to Flanders, and have been returned hither. I have not yet seen the Pope's nuncios. The bearer is Thaddeus, who is proceeding from England to Rome.

Immediately after my departure from London, the designs against the cardinal of York commenced to develope with great violence, so that before I crossed the sea I learned they had deprived him of the Seal, and of the management of all affairs, and of a great part of his servants; and an inquiry was being made respecting his moneys and other possessions, with very evident signs of his tending to ruin. He has done nothing in the past, so far as ecclesiastical matters are concerned, to merit such disgrace; and therefore, it may be thought, his Majesty will not go to extremes, but act considerately in this matter, as he is accustomed to do in all his actions. Paris, 5 Nov. 1529.

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5 Nov. **6051.** JAMES V. to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. IV. 569. Notwithstanding his loving letters by Dingwel for good redress and peace, the English wardens and lieutenants keep no days of meeting, but

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allow Scotch rebels to commit slaughters. Has had great difficulty in restraining his own subjects from retaliating. Is daily more grateful as he grows in age for what Henry has done for him in times past, and trusts he will not suffer traitors to mar their friendship, as he hopes Henry has understood by the credence sent with Magnus, and will know further by the bearer, David Wod. Drumfres, 5 Nov. 17 Jac. V. *Signed.*
Add.

6052. RICH. LORD LATYMER.

R. O. Exemplification, under the seal of the Court of Common Pleas, of a recovery suffered by Ric. Nevyll lord Latymer, to Cuthbert bishop of London and others, of the manor of Wyngrave, in Mich. 21 Hen. VIII. Westm., 6 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII.

8 Nov. **6053.** CAMPEGGIO to SALVIATI.

Theiner, p. 588. As the French king desired to give audience first to the Papal nuncios and the English ambassadors, he deferred my audience for one day. I had audience of him today. We discussed the affair of the bishop of Como. Francis said that if the Pope would repair to Piacenza and the Emperor to Asti, he would repair to Turin; and then a meeting could be arranged. I leave hence tomorrow. Paris, *8 Nov. 1529.
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9 Nov. **6054.** FRANCIS I.

R. O. Warrant to the usher of Parliament to make immediate payment to George Fa (?) of all the debts due to him. Rouen, 9 Nov. 1529, 15 Francis I.
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9 Nov. **6055.** WM. CAPON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sent by Hugh Whalley the release of the French queen and Suffolk. The writing Cromwell mentioned as coming from the duke of Norfolk to be sealed has not arrived. Is in great agony, having no instructions what he is to do, nor counsel from his friends, of whom he has very few in these parts. Wishes to know whether he shall come to London to my lord, or sue to the King in the causes concerning the college. Cannot be quiet till he hears. Gipswiche, 9 Nov. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Thomas Cromwell.

11 Nov. **6056.** CLEMENT VII. to HENRY VIII.

Theiner, p. 567. Exhorts him to a crusade against the Turk, as he had desired by Paul Casale. Has found great pleasure in communicating with the Emperor on matters of moment and a crusade, and suggests that the peace of Italy is the prime object of concern deserving of the King's attention. The Emperor is his loving brother. Bologna, 11 Nov. 1529.
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[13 Nov.] **6057.** NEWS.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 270. B. M. Extract from a letter written by Erasmus Mercader to Juan Piquer about the 13 Nov.

The cardinal of England fell by a turn of fortune. He has been deprived of all his offices, and all his goods are taken. They are worth 600,000 angelots, besides what he has spent in building (*en carpentear*) houses and

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castles, which was more than 300,000 angelots. He is said also to have lent 500,000 angelots without the King's knowledge to the count Veyda (the Waywode), who has lost them to the captains of the Turk, thereby encouraging him to come to Hungary. This he is believed to have done out of ill-will to the Emperor. In France the goods of all the treasurers have been confiscated for their oppression of the people.

Sp., modern copy, pp. 2. *Endd.:* Las nuevas que se saben de Flandes de cardinal de Ynglaterra.

17 Nov. R. O. **6058.** WILL. PARSON OF HORSMONDEN to CROMWELL.

Is informed by John Roberde, of Brenchysley, that there was an Act made in King Edward's days, that no man should sue for promotion at Rome or elsewhere without the King's licence. It is proved that my lord Cardinal obtained both his legacy and cardinalship without the King's licence, and for this he is cast in a *præmunire*. As this affects all who have received benefices from my Lord by virtue of his legateship, the writer is threatened by John Roberde in respect of his benefice of Brenchysley, of which Roberde had the advowson before the suppression of the house of Tonbrege. Was presented by the college of Fryswyt's (St. Frideswide's) and instituted by my lord Cardinal. Is advised by Sir Thos. Nevell to seek counsel of Cromwell, what he shall do. Horsmonden, 17 Nov.

"Sir, he never sued *Quare impedit* against me for this benefice."

P. 1. *Add.*

18 Nov. S. B. Rym. XIV. 351. **6059.** FOR THOS. CARDINAL ARCHBISHOP OF YORK.

Protection during pleasure. By a judgment in the Court of King's Bench, the Cardinal was placed out of the King's protection, on Saturday after a month of Mich. last, for various offences against the Crown and the statute of provisors 16 Ric. II. *Del.* Westm., 18 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII.

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21 Nov. **6060.** BRYAN to HENRY VIII.

The letter of this date, printed in State Papers VII. 211, belongs to the year 1530.

22 Nov. R. O. Ellis, 2 Ser. II. 231. **6061.** WM. CAPON to CROMWELL.

On the 12th inst. the bishop of Norwich has sequestered the obligations of Our Lady's Chapel, and has sealed the boxes of offerings. Has the key, however, but has promised to take nothing from them till he knows my lord's Grace's pleasure. Sends to Dr. Marshall, to be shown to Wolsey, a copy of a letter he has received from the Bishop's chaplain. On the 13th, Mr. John Wellysburn, esquire for the Body, and Mr. Thomas Halle, of Gippiswiche, came as commissioners from the King, with six yeomen of the Guard and their servants, eighteen persons in all. They have taken an inventory of all the plate and stuff, and of the building materials, and have taken away with them 24 copes, 4 vestments, a doce and redoce of cloth of gold, a canopy of white silver and gold needlework, the greater and smaller crosses, images of St. Katharine and Our Lady, a large monstrance, three silver gilt chalices, a pair of silver gilt cruets, a silver gilt pax, a pair of covered silver gilt basons, two silver gilt censers, two silver parcel gilt censers, a silver gilt ship, a silver gilt standing cup with a cover, two silver gilt bowls with one cover, two silver gilt salts with one cover, and three large parcel gilt bowls with one cover. Has made an indenture with them about the said stuff. They say the King only wants to see it, and, they suppose, will return them again to the college.

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Has relinquished no title therein. They insisted for a time that he had 10,000*l.* of my Lord's treasure, which he denied. They stayed five days. Entertained them as well as he could, at the cost of 20 marks.

Lady Caston denies having received any money from Cromwell for the lease of Panyngton, and will not show him Cromwell's letter.

On Sunday the 21st, Sir Ph. Tylney, Lyonell Talmage, and Mr. Everarde, of my lord of Norfolk's council, brought a deed to be sealed, which he did, and then entertained them at supper. On the morrow he rode with them to Felyxstow, Faltynham, and the Marsh, to give them possession. Hopes to be in London next Saturday night. Gippiswiche, 22 Nov. Asks to be commended to Mr. Rushe. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* To the right worshipful, &c. Mr. Thos. Cromwell.

23 Nov. **6062.** St. Mary's, Stodeley, Linc. dioc.

P.S. Congé d'élire to Alice Wightill, the sub-prioress, and the nuns of the said monastery, upon the death of Katharine Copcote, last prioress. Windsor, 20 Oct. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Nov.

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ii. Petition for the above, in which it is stated that Katharine Copcote died on 2 Oct. inst. Dated 16 Oct. 1529.

25 Nov. **6063.** Northumberland to James V.

R. O. St. P. IV. 570. On Friday the 19th inst. upwards of 100 men of Liddersdaill invaded England at Byrkshawes, and seized all the neighbouring cattle. His servant Nich. Rydley, and 18 others, followed their own goods like true men, but were taken and carried into Scotland, and four of them slain. Desires immediate redress, that it may not lead to a rupture, which would be much to the Earl's discomfort, considering his proximity of blood to James. Topclif, 25 Nov. *Signed.*

Endd.: My lord of Northumberland to the king of Scots.

27 Nov. **6064.** Ric. Reynold to Cromwell.

R. O. Hears that Sir Brian Tewke is sending to my Lord to know what conclusion his Grace is at with Master Medley, Palmer, Leder, and Reynold, for the 10,000 marks in which they stand bound to the King, with Master Kyme, alderman, deceased. My Lord one day sent by Sir John Dauncy for George Medley, Rob. Palmer, and Reynold to his place in Mark Lane, where he told them, as Tuke was commissioned by my lord Cardinal to show them that Palmer should pay 100*l.* a year on his 2,000 marks till it were paid, Reynold and Leder 100 marks a year each on their 4,000 marks, and Medley and Kyme 50*l.* a year each on their 4,000 marks; each to be bound by himself, with two new sureties. Medley would not agree to this. Reynold has sustained losses in the *Jesus*, of London, wrecked on the Irish coast, and has already given the King above 2,000*l.* for custom and subsidy. Has no other friend to intercede for him with the King but my Lord and Cromwell. Palmer obtained the King's grace through his brother Sir Thomas. London, 27 Nov. 1529.

"When God sends any pleasures out of Spain, I shall present my lord's Grace, as accustomed."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

28 Nov. **6065.** Ghinucci to Henry VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 216. Wrote from Paris, and afterwards from Lyons, by Vannes, then from Genoa, announcing the capture of captain Fortundi by the Moors. Writes by a messenger going into France. At the suggestion of Francis it was

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proposed that himself and the Emperor should meet at Turin to discuss concerning the Turks. If the Emperor would take 60,000 cr. for the redemption of the children, Francis said he was willing to go into Austria with an army of 50,000 men. The duke of Milan has been here, and is reconciled to the Emperor by the Pope. The Emperor wishes to have from him a sum of money, which the Duke says is impossible. I hear nothing of the duke of Ferrara. There is no hope of reconciliation with the Florentines. The Pope is very well. The Emperor's hospice is next to the Pope's, and they are only separated by a wall, and a door through which they can communicate with each other.

The Turk has left for Hungary, and, as some say, is going to Belgrade. It is thought the Emperor, after being crowned at Rome and visiting Naples, will go to Austria in the spring. Encloses a paper containing further news. Bologna, 28 Nov. 1529. *Sealed.*

Hol. Add. Endd.

28 Nov. **6066.** FRANCIS I.

Rym. XIV. 352. Bull of Clement VII., absolving Francis I. from his oath not to alienate the goods and rights of the crown of France. Bologna, 3 kal. Dec. 1529.

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28 Nov. **6067.** TREATY OF CAMBRAY.

Galba, B. IX. 230. B. M. Oath of Henry VIII. to the treaty of Cambray, at Greenwich, Sunday, 28 Nov. 1529.

Draft, Lat., pp. 7.

28 Nov. **6068.** CHARLES V. and KATHARINE OF ARRAGON.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 272. B. M. "Relacion de las cartas de Micer May para responder."

* * * As to the queen of England, the Pope has promised to proceed without talking of further suspension, although he is informed the king of England is much dissatisfied, and threatens him. (*In margin:*—"Syga.") Hears that the Parliament there is prorogued, which must be to keep the matter in suspense, and to frighten the Queen. (*In margin:*—Mention this to Granvele.) Among those who have given counsel for the King there is one Mark Gabriel, who was a Jew, for whom he has sent everything that he could desire that he may come to him. Thinking it desirable to stop him, May has written by Escalenga and Antonio de Leyva, and to Venice. (*In margin:*—He has done well.)

Modern copy, Spanish, pp. 6.

30 Nov. **6069.** INSTRUCTIONS FOR AMBASSADORS WITH CHARLES V.

Arch. XVI. 181. Henry VIII. to Sir Nich. Carew, master of the King's horses, Dr. Sampson, dean of the Royal chapel, and Dr. Benet, ambassadors with the Emperor.

Is advertised by Paulus de Cassalis, lately sent to him as nuncio from the Pope, that on his journey to England he encountered cardinal Farnesius, who made overture to him to further the King's great matter at the meeting of the Emperor and the Pope at Bonony. The King (considering that the said overture is likely to advance his affairs, and that the Emperor, having need of his amity in consequence of the state of affairs in Italy and Turkey, "will not make difficulty to persuade the Queen," as the King's mind is fixed, a great number of the clerks of England, France, and Italy having "condescended in to our opinion,") has thought good to dispatch instructions to

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his ambassador [ambassadors?] with the Pope, commanding them to act with the said Cardinal, "dissembling any knowledge to be had from us," so that the Emperor may not conjecture "that we, diffiding in the justness of our matters, should now have recourse to him [the Cardinal] as shote anker, to attain by his means our mind and purpose." Advertises them of these things, in order that they may be prepared on any motion of the Emperor or his council to introduce good reasons and persuasions. They are to advertise the Emperor that yesterday the King swore to and confirmed the peace between them. Under the signet at Greenwich, 30 Nov. *Signed.*

"An impression of the King's privy seal is affixed."

Orig. in the possession of Richard Carew, Esq., of Beddington.

6070. MEMORANDA OF JOHN HACKETT.

R. O. In 19 Hen.VIII. he informed my lord Cardinal of the costs he had incurred when resident for a twelvemonth in lady Margaret's court, and that he could not support his office honorably on 100*l.* a year. Wolsey then encouraged him to persevere, and his charges would be considered. Five days afterwards, Wolsey, being at Calais, 20 July 19 Hen.VIII., delivered to him the King's patent of another 100*l.* a year for life. Nevertheless, as will appear by the reckonings of Wyatt and Tuke, he received nothing from Easter 18 to Mich. 21 Hen.VIII., except at the rate of 100*l.* a year, so that there is 250*l.* due to him. Moreover, the 50*l.* which he received by Wyatt at his first despatch to the lady Margaret in April 17 Hen.VIII. have been deducted from his reckoning. Meantime he has grown more white hairs in his head than nobles in his purse. *Signed:* John Hackett.

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6071. NORFOLK to CARLISLE HERALD.

Cal. B. II. 3. B. M. Sends him Henry's letter to the king of Scots, which he shall deliver with diligence, and, when he can obtain licence, desire him on the King's behalf to show himself more gracious to Angus, and state that Northumberland and Dacre, who are appointed wardens of the Marches, on going to the North (which will be after Parliament breaks up), will send to him to arrange a day for the meeting of commissioners for redress of Border offences. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* "To my well-beloved Carlisle heral at arms, reseant with the king of Scots."

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3. Wm. Dawe, yeoman of the Guard. To have the fee of the Crown of 6*d.* a day, *vice* Walter David. Grafton, 22 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 Nov.—P.S.

4. Nicholas Goode. Lease of the manor of Shawe, in Windsor, Berks, for 21 years, at 20*l.* for the first year, and 23*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* thereafter. Windsor Castle, 11 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Nov. — P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 1.

5. John Worth, gentleman, of Compton Pole, Devon. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Windsor Castle, 11 Oct. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 Nov.—P.S.

5. Ric. Dey, groom of the Chamber. Reversion of the corrody in the monastery of Malmesbury, Wilts, now held by John à Guillams. Greenwich, 24 Oct. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 Nov.—P.S.

5. Wm. Woode and Hen. Acres, sewer of the Hall. Grant, in survivorship, of the corrody in the monastery of Trentham; upon the surrender of Wm. Woode. Greenwich, 2 Nov. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 Nov. —P.S.

6. Robt. How. Pardon for having killed Ranulph Bawne in self-defence. Westm., 6 Nov.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

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9. Sheriff Roll.

Cumb.: Sir Christ. Dacre, *Thos. Wharton, John Lamplewe.

Northumb.: Ingelram Percy, Thos. Eryngton, *Sir Philip Dacre.

York: Thos. Strangwys, John Norton, *Sir Ralph Ellerker, jun.

Notts and Derb.: Sir Hen. Sacheverell, *Sir Thos. Cokkayn, John Hercy.

Lincoln: Sir John Thymbylby, *Sir And. Bylesby, Wm. Husse.

Warw. and Leic.: John Haryngton, Sir John Villers, *Ric. Verney.

Salop: Ric. Maynwaryng, Thos. Lakyn, *Roger Corbet.

Staff.: George Gresseley, Ric. Asteley, *Thos. Gifford.

Heref.: Wm. Clynton, *Sir Edward Croft, Thos. Waldwyn.

Glouc.: *Wm. Throkmorton, Robt. Wytney, Sir Edmund Tame.

Oxon and Berks: John Brome, *Wm. Stafford, Hen. Bruges.

Northampt.: Sir Thos. Tresham, *Sir John Clerke, Ric. Cave.

Camb. and Hunts: Thos. Hutton, Thos. Checheley, *Anth. Hansard.

Beds and Bucks: *Sir John Seynt John, Sir John Dyve, Sir Robt. Legh.

Norf. and Suff.: Thos. Jermyn, *Sir Edmund Bedyngfeld, Thos. Straunge.

Essex and Herts: *John Bolles, John Broket, Robt. Forster.

Kent: *Sir Edw. Wotton, Wm. Waller, Ric. Fane.

Surrey and Suss.: *Sir Roger Copley, John Palmer, Sir Wm. Pelham.

Hants: Robt. Bukley, *Leonard Norres, Ralph Pexsall.

Wilts: Wm. Ludlowe, *Ant. Erneley, *John Horsey of Marton. (*Teste* 16 Jan.)

Somers. and Dors.: *Sir Edward Gorges, Sir Thos. More, Wm. Uvedale.

Devon: *John Chamond, And. Hillarsdon, Sir John Shelston.

Cornw.: Thos. Seyntabyn, *Wm. Goddolfhan, John Carmynowe.

Rutland: *Edw. Catesby, Geo. Makeworth, Ant. Colly.

Worc.: (blank).

Westmor.: (blank).

Berks: *John Doone, Sir John Talbott, Robt. Nedeham.

Lanc.: (blank).

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Signed by Hen.VIII. at the beginning and end.

9. John Asshton, one of the King's auditors. Lease of lands called Redes, in Wrytell, Essex, part of the late duke of Buckingham's lands, at various stated annual rents. *Del.* Westm., 9 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 15.

9. Wm. Glover, of Monmouth, Wales. Pardon for felony. York Place, 4 Nov. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 9 Nov.—P.S.

10. Robt. Davinport, yeoman of the Guard. To be bailiff of the lordship of Wolford, Warw., in the King's hands by the minority of Peter, s. and h. of Sir Wm. Compton. York Place, 6 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

10. Wm. Buttes, M. D. Wardship of Joanna, Bridget, Anne, and Mary, ds. and hs. of Hen. Bures; also an annuity of 40 marks out of the estate, during their minority. Greenwich, 31 Oct. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

10. Otho Craswall, yeoman, of Marston, Hereford. Pardon for the murder of Ric. Farington *alias* Tyler. Greenwich, 2 Aug. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

10. Rauf Vaux, yeoman of the Guard. To be bailiff of the lordship of Cheping Norton, Oxon; in the King's hands by the minority of Peter, s. and h. of Sir Wm. Compton. York Place, 6 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

11. Ingell Takylson, shoemaker, of Ipswich. Pardon for coining counterfeit pence and halfpence of tin, to the value of 12*d.*, at Ipswich, in Dec. 19 Hen.VIII., of which he was found guilty in the same year; his wife Margaret having uttered the same. Greenwich, 26 Oct. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 11 Nov.—P.S.

11. John Legh. Inspeximus and confirmation of charter, 22 July 53 Hen. III., inspecting and confirming a charter of Thos. s. of Thos. de Multon, granting in tail to Edm., his son, his land in the town of Isall and Blencrayke. Westm., 11 Nov.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 31.

11. John Broking, yeoman of the Guard. To be bailiff of the lordship of Tyso, Warw., in the gift of the King, by the minority of Peter, s. and h. of Sir Wm. Compton. York Place, 8 Nov. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 11 Nov.—P.S.

11. Gilbert Gresse. Grant, in reversion, of 6*d.* a day, on the death or forfeiture of Wm. Dussheborne, Robt. Leyghton, Wm. Alee, John Davyd, Thos. App Guilliam, Adam Holand, John Thomas, John Sandford, John Flammok, John Rolt, John Southall, Wm. Gysnam, John God, or John Parker. Westm., 10 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 11 Nov. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

12. Robt. White, clk. Pardon for having killed Roger Glosse while shooting at "le Buttys," at Westcontokeshed (W. Quantockshead), Somers. Westm., 12 Nov.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 5.

12. John Bowyer, armourer, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Windsor Castle, 14 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Nov.—P.S.

* Those names marked with an asterisk are pricked by the King.

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12. Laur. Browne, locksmith, of St. Clement's Danes, London, native of the duchy of Gulek, in Germany. Denization. Greenwich, 27 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

13. John Brewyn, of Farnam, Surrey, and Agnes his wife, executrix of Hen. Guenby, clothier, of Farnam, Surrey. Reversal of outlawry and waive; having been incarcerated in the Fleet prison for debt, at the suit of John Aleyn, alderman of London. Westm., 13 Nov.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

13. Thos. Cheselet, late of Myre, *als.* Were, Wilts, tailor. Pardon for having on 21 Feb. 10 Hen. VIII. stolen certain silver plate from Alice Kymer, at Fisherton Anger, Wilts. Cheselet sought sanctuary in the church of St. Mary and St. Peter de Millon, of the order of Friars Preachers, of Fisherton Anger, on 21 July 11 Hen. VIII., when and where he confessed the theft to Wm. Chawsey, coroner. Windsor Castle, 14 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 13 Nov. —S.B.

15. Leonard Chamberlain, of Wodstoke, Oxon. Pardon. Woodstock, 2 Sept. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 15 Nov.—P.S.

16. John Forest *alias* Watys, servingman, of Scotland. Denization. *Del.* Westm., 16 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

17. Ric. Throwgoode, grocer, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clifford, deputy of Berwick. Greenwich, 12 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 Nov. —P.S.

18. Walt. Grymston. Wardships of John, s. and h. of Wm. Hutton; John, s. and h. of John Newton of Skekkelyng; Geo. s. and h. of Thos. Gower; and Chas. s. and h. of John Rede. *Endd.:* 18 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 1. (*Undated.*)

18. Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, treasurer of the Household, and Ric. Page, gentleman of the Privy Chamber. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of solicitor for the subsidies on kerseys, in the ports of London and Southampton; with an annuity of 100*l.* out of the said subsidies, on surrender of patent, 17 Mar. 19 Hen. VIII., granting the same, and the receiver generalship of the said subsidies, to Sir John Wallop and the said Richard. Greenwich, 17 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 18 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 20.

18. Robt. Markham. Grant, in reversion, of the office of serjeant-at-arms, now held by James Conyers. York Place, 9 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 18 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 24.

19. Anth. Chute. To be gunner in the Tower of London, with 12*d.* a day, *vice* Anth. de Mounfrey *als.* Mamon. York Place, 14 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 19 Nov. —P.S.

19. John Cleget, of the King's Exchequer at Calais. To have the duties for drying nets upon the King's ground in the marches of Calais. York Place, 14 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 19 Nov.—P.S.

20. Robt. Leyghton, door-ward of the Tower of London, and Thos. Leyghton. Next presentation to the hospital or priory of Holy Trinity, St. Mary, and St. John the Baptist near Ludlowe, Heref. dioc. Greenwich, 28 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 24.

20. Thos. Moth, salter, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. York Place, 20 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. —P.S.

21. Agnes duchess of Norfolk. Wardship of Katharine, one of the ds. and hs. of John Broughton. York Place, 20 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 21 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 27.

21. Wm. Rooyt, serjeant-at-arms. To be serjeant of the King's staghounds, with 7½*d.* a day, *vice* Thos. Carmynowe. Greenwich, 31 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22* Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 27.

22. The mayor and burgesses of the town of Marlebergh. Inspeximus and confirmation of patent 26 May 3 Hen. VI., inspecting and confirming the following:—patent 20 May 2 Hen. V.; inspecting and confirming patent 5 July 1 [Hen. IV.]; inspecting patent 18 May 1 Ric. II., confirming charter 13 March 10 Edw. III., confirming charter 15 April 5 Edw. II., confirming charter 13 Feb. 13 Hen. III., confirming charter 20 June 6 John, granting the borough of Marlebergh certain privileges in relation to fairs, &c.; charter 28 May 9 Hen. IV., granting the burgesses exemption from murage and other dues; charter 13 Feb. 13 Hen. III., and charter 11 March 30 Hen. III., being grants of fairs. Westm., 22 Nov.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 27.

22. Sir Geo. Darsey, and Dorothy his wife. Inspeximus and confirmation of charter 19 Sept. 8 Edw. IV., granting to Wm. de Melton, archbp. of York, and his heirs, a market and two fairs at his manor of Kellum, York. Westm., 22 Nov.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 32.

22. Wm. Newdegate. Grant of the manor of Willyngall Rokell, and certain other lands in Essex, which belonged to Ric. Bedell, who abjured the realm on account of the murder of John Vavasor; the said William to hold the same during the life of the said Richard. Greenwich, 17 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 25.

22. John Hyckeman, husbandman, of Westlegh, Devon. Pardon for having committed a felony upon the premises of John Lake, of South Molton, Devon. Greenwich, 2 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Nov. —P.S. *Pat.* (2 *Nov.*) *p.* 2, *m.* 25.

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22. Walt. ap Howell. To be searcher of the lordship of Mark and Oye, in the marches of Calais; with 4*d.* a day. York Place, 14 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Nov.—P.S.

23. John Wellysburne. Grant of two messuages and certain land in Naburne, York, lately belonging to Francis viscount Lovell, temp. Hen. VII. Greenwich, 24 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Nov. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 27.

23. Thos. Harreys, fishmonger, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfeld. Greenwich, 14 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Nov.—P.S.

23. Elizabeth, widow of Sir Wm. Compton. Licence to marry Walt. Walshe, page of the Privy Chamber. York Place, 22 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 24.

24. Thos. Portyngton, s. and h. of John Portyngton, kinsman and heir of Ric. de Barneby. Inspeximus and confirmation of patent 20 Mar. 19 Hen. VII., inspecting and confirming patent 7 July 7 Hen. V., inspecting and confirming charter 25 July 27 Hen. III., granting the said Ric. de Barneby free warren in all his demesne lands in Yorkshire. Westm., 24 Nov. — *Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

24. John Bowdon, of Nymett Episcopi, Devon. Reversal of outlawry. Westm., 24 Nov.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 5.

24. Henry Norres, squire of the Body. To be keeper of the manor and park of Langley, with 6*d.* a day, *vice* Sir Wm. Compton. Also to be steward and receiver of the manor of Mynsterlovell, Oxon, with 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* a year as steward, and 26*s.* 8*d.* a year as receiver, *vice* Sir Wm. Compton; to be steward of the manors of Boreford, Shipton, Langley, and Spillysbury, with 8*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.* a year, *vice* Sir Wm. Compton; to be bailiff of the hundred of Chadlyngton, with 2*d.* a day; to have the offices of four bailiffs in the forest of Wichewoode *alias* Gight Walkes in Wychewoode, with 4*d.* a day in each office; to be ranger of Wychewood forest, with 6*d.*, as enjoyed by the said Sir William or Robt. Whithill; also the office of "laundership" of Wychewode forest, with 6*d.* a day, *vice* Sir Wm. Compton; to be keeper of Chadworth woods, Glouc., *vice* Sir Wm. Compton; and to be keeper of Cornebury park, with 3*d.* a day, *vice* Sir Wm. Compton. The fees attached to the above offices commence from 1 July 20 Hen. VIII., since which time the said Henry has performed the duties at his own expence. Greenwich, 18 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 12.

24. Henry Norres, squire of the Body. To be keeper of the manor of Pleasaunce, in East Greenwich, Kent, and keeper of the great and little garden, and the orchard there, and keeper of East Greenwich park with the tower there, with certain daily fees in each office, *vice* Sir Wm. Compton or Wm. Cary. Greenwich, 18 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Nov. — P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 10.——Copy.—R. O.

24. John Bryket, yeoman of the kitchen for the mouth. Annuity of 10 marks. York Place, 14 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

24. Wm. Boleyn, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Wynwike, Cov. and Lich. dioc., at the King's disposal by the minority of Edw. earl of Derby, *vice* Thos. Wynter, resigned. York Place, 20 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 5.

24. Leonard Grey. Grant of the manors of Sporteley, York, and Barowe, Linc. Greenwich, 18 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Nov.—P.S.

25. Thomas Boyland, tanner, late of Henley-on-Thames, Oxon. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Greenwich, 18 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Nov.—P.S.

30. Sir Res Mansell. Lease of 24 acres of land, and 96 acres of pasture, in the tenure of John Dere, Hoskyn Dere, and John Stephyns; 12 acres of land, and 227 acres of pasture, and a close called "le Parke," in the tenure of John Mathew and Agnes Cradock, and a cow-house, called a sheep-house, and "*unam shopam subtus Guyhald de Llanwite*," &c., all situated in the lordship of Boviarton, Glamorgan, parcel of the lands of the late duke of Bedford, at certain stated rents. *Del.* Westm., 30 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. —S.B.

30. Richard Lute, draper, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfeld. Greenwich, 30 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII. —P.S.

6073. Embassy to France.

R. O. St. P. VII. 219. Instructions to George Boleyn, gentleman of the Privy Chamber, and John Stokesley, D.D., sent to the French king.

On their arrival at the French court they shall confer with Sir Francis

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Brian on the repair of Albany into Scotland, to interrupt the alliance between Scotland and the Emperor; on which subject, though Brian has been continually solicitous, the King has received from him no direct answer. They shall tell Francis that Brian is recalled to look after his own causes, and they are sent in his place; and they shall say that, considering the inconvenience like to ensue to France by the proposed alliance, the King has been anxious to learn what chance there might be of good effect by Albany's passing into Scotland, and they shall desire a consultation to be held with the Duke on the subject, guarding themselves from the supposition that the King wishes for it upon any other grounds than the benefit of France. If it be resolved on, it must be kept as secret as possible, taking care it does not come to the knowledge of the French king.

They shall also advise upon the question of a General Council, which is to be by them mutually prevented, considering the influence the Emperor has over the Pope. Upon the King's great matter they shall say, the King has sent Stokesly, who shall declare his opinion and that of other learned men, and shall say that, as De Langy at his late being here had said that divers in those parts were of similar opinion, he had special charge to consult them, and he shall do his best to obtain opinions favorable to the King. They shall also desire the French king to allow them to see the originals of the treaties and conventions made at Cambray, as copies only have reached England, sent to the French ambassadors here, containing many contradictions; and the same secresy has been observed in the court of the lady Margaret. *Signed by the King at beginning and end.*

Mutilated. In Derby's hand.

6074. [Benet] to Henry VIII.

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St. P. VII. 217.

Concerning the advocation of the cause, for the which you greatly charge the Pope, "insomuch that cardinals Ancona and S. Quatuor and the whole 'signature' was in the opinion that it should be suspended and not avoked," and yet that the Pope had avoked it to satisfy the Emperor, I am sorry to find you were thus misinformed. This is not only untrue, as may appear by my letters which I wrote to the cardinal of York on 9 July, stating that the whole 'signature' were of opinion that the Pope ought to avoke the cause, but that if ever the Pope wished to please your Grace, he did so in this case, for he expressly commanded Ancona and S. Quatuor to persuade the Emperor's ambassador and the king of Hungary's to be contented that the cause should be only suspended. Without their consent this could not have been attained. For that purpose he sent Jacopo Salviati to induce the said ambassadors to comply, but they refused. On this the Pope called Sir Gregory and me to witness before the Bishop, and as the thing was so notorious we cannot deny it. Nothing has more grieved me than that you should be misinformed, and charge the Pope with that which he can so easily disprove. I beseech you to pardon me for writing so plainly. I assure you I do it not to excuse the Pope, but to explain the truth, and feel myself bound to this course by the fidelity I owe you.

At Paul's arrival here, he delivered me, in the presence of Mr. Carew, this letter enclosed, which I sent by him to my lord Cardinal, supposing at that time he had been in credit and authority with your Grace, as he was at my departing; signifying unto him the summary of what was done in your cause since my coming hither, and what was to be hoped of the Pope in time to come. I am sorry that I did so. I send it now to your Grace.

The following paragraph is added at the end of the letter:—

For avoiding of many inconvenients, which we were persuaded were likely to follow, he (the Pope) did avoke the cause at our suit, as an experiment, to content the Emperor and the king of Hungary's ambassadors; but

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only for a time. "For the Pope['s] council said that, following this device, the Pope could not do it without their consents, but that he should have grieved expressly the party adverse."

Draft, Hol., pp. 4.

R. O. 2. Fair copy of the same.

Add. in a different hand: "To the moost Cristyn kyng oure soveraigne Lorde." *Endd.:* "Doctor Knyght." *Hol.*

1 Dec. **6075.** CARDINAL WOLSEY.

Herbert's Henry VIII., in Kennett, II. 125.

Articles against cardinal Wolsey by the Lords.*

1. For obtaining legatine authority in England, to the injury of the King's prerogative and the immunity possessed by the Crown for 200 years. 2. For making a treaty with the French king for the Pope without the King's knowledge, the King not being named therein, and binding the said French king to abide his award if any controversy arose upon it. 3. For having, when in France, commissioned Sir Gregory de Casalis, in the King's name, to conclude a treaty with the duke of Ferrara without any warrant from the King. 4. For having in divers letters and instructions to foreign parts used the expression, "the King and I," and "I would ye should do thus," "the King and I give unto you our hearty thanks," using himself more like a fellow to your Highness than a subject. 5. For having caused his servants to be sworn only to himself, when it has been the custom for noblemen to swear their households first to be true to the King. 6. For having endangered the King's person in that he, when he knew himself to have "the foul and contagious disease of the great pox broken out upon him in divers places of his body, came daily to your Grace rowning in your ear and blowing upon your most noble Grace with his perilous and infective breath;" and when he was healed, he made the King believe that it was only an imposthume in his head. 7. For giving away as legate by prevention divers benefices, both spiritual and temporal. 8. For making ambassadors come first to him alone, so that it may be suspected he instructed them after his own pleasure contrary to the King's command. 9. For causing all manner of letters to the King from beyond sea to be sent to him first, so that the King knew nothing except what the Cardinal chose to show him, and was compelled to follow his devices. Also when the Council have suggested doubts which have been afterwards verified, he, to abuse them, used these words: "I will lay my head that no such thing will happen." 10. For compelling spies to give information to him in the first place. 11. For granting licence under the Great Seal to export grain after the prohibition for his own profit. 12. For writing to ambassadors abroad, in his own name, and without the King's knowledge, and causing them to write again to him, so as to conceal their information. 13. For discouraging the hospitality kept in religious houses, by taking impositions of the heads of those houses for his favor in making abbots and priors and for visitation fees, "which is a great cause that there be so many vagabonds, beggars, and thieves." 14. For surveying and reletting at increased rents the lands of the houses he had suppressed, putting out copyholders, or compelling them to pay new fines. 15. For arrogant demeanour in the council chamber, letting no man speak but one or two great personages. 16. For delaying suitors, whom he took pleasure

* According to Herbert, these Articles were preferred against him in Parliament. It is remarkable, however, that no Act of attainder is found on the Rolls of Parliament. An Act was passed this session, that no one should be injured by the attainder of cardinal Wolsey; but it refers only to his conviction in the court of King's Bench, and not to any parliamentary process.

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in making attend on him at his own house; so that it has been affirmed ten of the wisest men in England would not be sufficient to order in reasonable time the matters he would retain to himself. 17. For appropriating by his legatine authority the goods of spiritual men when they had any riches, and, when executors remonstrated, putting them in fear by refusing to meddle. 18. For compelling all the ordinaries in England to compound with him that he might not usurp half or the whole of their jurisdiction by prevention, and to extort treasure, "for there is never a poor archdeacon in England but that he paid yearly to him a portion of his living." 19. For shamefully slandering many good religious houses, by which means he suppressed 30, exceeding even the powers given him in his bull, which enabled him only to suppress houses that had not more than 6 or 7 in them. He then caused offices to be found by untrue verdicts that the religious persons had voluntarily abandoned their houses. 20. For examining matters in Chancery after judgment had been given on them by the common law, and compelling parties to restore to the opposite party what they had recovered by execution in the common law. 21. For granting injunctions by writ when the parties were never called, nor bills put in against them. 22. For suspending pardons granted by the Pope until he had a yearly pension out of them. 23. For putting out many farmers of his lands, and grantees of the archbishopric of York, &c. 24. For inducing houses of religion to compromit their elections to him, and obtaining from them so much goods as almost to ruin the houses. 25. For taking from religious houses one twenty-fifth of their livelihood at visitations. 26. For threatening the judges, to prevent a decision. 27. For making his son Winter spend 2,700*l.* a year, which he takes to his own use, and gives him only 200*l.* to live on. 28. For violating his promise to the King, when he asked his assent to be legate *de latere*, not to do anything in prejudice of the King or Bishops. 29. For slandering the clergy of England by writing to Rome that they had given themselves *in reprobum sensum.* 30. For appropriating most of the goods of Dr. Smith, late bishop of London, bishop Savage of York, Mr. Dalby, archdeacon of Richmond, Dr. Tornyers (Toneys ?), Ruthal bishop of Durham, and Dr. Fox, bishop of Winchester. 31. For removing into Chancery the indictments against his officers for taking 12*d.* in 1*l.* for probation of wills, and rebuking Mr. Justice Fitzherbert. 32. For promoting dissension amongst the nobles. 33. For compelling the King's subjects to serve him with carts for carriage, corn and other victuals, at the King's prices and under. 34. For keeping great estate at court in the King's absence. 35. His servants have taken cattle and other victuals at as low price as the King's purveyors. 36. For preventing the King's officers from taking wheat, as was the custom, out of the liberty of St. Albans. 37. For forbidding persons who had been before him in the Star Chamber to sue to the King for pardon. 38. For committing to the Fleet one Sir John Stanley till he released a farm which he held of the abbot of Chester, to one Leghe of Adlington, who married one Lark's daughter, "which woman the said lord Cardinal kept, and had with her two children; whereupon the said Sir John Stanley, upon displeasure taken in his heart, made himself monk in Westminster, and there died." 39. For interfering with the King's clerk of the market, who, when the King came to St. Albans, presented to the household as usual the prices of all manner of victuals within the verge. He was commanded to set the said prices up, according to custom, on the gates of the household, and in the market-place of St. Albans; but Wolsey ordered them to be taken down, though they were sealed with the King's seal, and his own prices set up sealed with his seal. He also would have set the clerk of the market in the stocks. 40. For stamping the Cardinal's hat under the King's arms on the coin of groats made at York. 41. For committing to the Fleet Wm. Johnson, who had a lease of the parsonage of Crowley from Sir Edw. Jones, clerk, and disputed a

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claim to that parsonage raised by the dean of Cardinal's College, Oxford, on the ground that it belonged to the parsonage of Chichley, appropriated to the suppressed priory of Tykeford. 42. For issuing an injunction out of Chancery to one Martin Docowra, to avoid possession of the manor of Balsal, in Warwickshire, in favor of Sir George Throgmorton, until the matter depending between the prior of St. John's and the said Docowra were discussed. The latter has never been called to make answer in Chancery. 43. For prohibiting two bishops from visiting the university of Cambridge to prevent the spread of Lutheran heresies. 44. They beg the King to make the Cardinal an example. 1 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII.

Signed: T. More—T. Norfolk—Char. Suffolk—Tho. Dorset—H. Exeter—G. Shrewsbury—R. Fitzwater—Jo. Oxenford—H. Northumberland—T. Darcy—T. Rochford—W. Mountjoy—Will. Sandys—William Fitzwilliam—Henry Guldeford—Anthony FitzHerbert—John FitzJames.

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2. Copy of part of the above.
In a modern hand, pp. 6.

6076. CARDINAL WOLSEY.

MS. Jesus Coll., Oxon. (Fol. 170.)

"Cardinal Wolsey, in his disgrace, employed Cromwell in soliciting his affairs at Court, to get his pardon, &c., and thanks him for his care therein in many letters with his own hand.

"When he was commanded to York, he desired the King's letters of recommendation to the nobility in the North, which he would have favorably indited, and Mr. Secretary* to be moved therein, of whom he expects some help for his old deserts, &c.

"[These letters I find were so favorably penned that the Cardinal, in a letter of the King to the lord Dacres, is called, Our right trusty and right well beloved the L. Card[l], &c.]

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"When he was at Asher he writes thus to Cromwell:—My fever is somewhat assuaged, and the black humour also. Howbeit, I am entering into the kalends of a more dangerous sickness, which is the dropsy, so that if I be not removed to a drier air, and that shortly, there is little hope, &c.

"Lady Anne."

"He entreats Cromwell to solicit the King to be gracious to him, and to practise that the lady Anne may mediate for him.

"He styles Cromwell—My only comfort; and—My only help; and—Mine own good Thomas; and—My only refuge and aid.

"From Asher."

"He writes to Cromwell that he hopes that for his maintenance, and to do good to his servants and bestow alms (which York will not do), the King (if he take from him Winchester) will allow him a pension out of it. For God be my judge, I never thought, and so I was assured at the making of my submission, to depart from any of my promotions; for the rigour of the law, for any offence that can be arrected unto me, deserveth no such punishment; and so, trusting in the King's goodness, I am come to this point. I hope his Grace will consider the same accordingly. I have had fair words, but little comfortable deeds, &c. Those noblemen did otherwise promise on their honours to me, upon trust whereof I made the frank gift of mine whole estate.

"If it might be possible to retain Winchester, though the King had the most part of the profits, &c., or else there might be some good sum made for the retention of the same.

* "This was, I think, Steph. Gardyner." Certainly.

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"In another letter :—

"As touching the Articles laid unto me, whereof a great part be untrue, and those which be true are of such sort that by the doing of them no malice nor untruth can be justly arrected unto me, neither to the Prince's person, nor to the realm, &c. This may be urged to the King.

"Mint at York." "As touching the coin at York with the letters and badges in the same, ye may commune with *Pawlet*, &c. officer of the Mint, how the usage hath been of the Mint.

"Powlet."

"He complains of the wrong information of the earl of Northumberland.

"He thanks Cromwell for getting his pardon and restitution to York sealed.

"He hopes that the King (to whom he hath given all his goods and revenues) will pay his debts, which may be done with the arrearages of my pension out of France for the year bypast.

"He intreats Crumwell to sue that his Colleges be preserved, for (saith he) they are, in a manner, opera manuum tuarum.

"July 12." "Cromwell to the Cardinal.

"As touching the process against your Grace out of the Exchequer and all other matters and suits brought against you, I have pleaded your pardon, which is allowed in all the King's courts, and by the same your Grace discharged of all manner causes at the King's suit.

"Cromwell looks for reward." "Cromwell tells the Cardinal this soliciting his cause hath been very chargeable to him, and he cannot sustain it any longer without other respect than he hath had heretofore. I am 1,000*l.* worse than I was when your troubles began.

"Card^l's Colleges." "As touching your Colleges the King is determined to dissolve them, and that new offices shall be found of all the lands belonging to them newly to intitle his Highness, which be already drawn for this purpose. But whether his Highness, after the dissolution of them, mean to revive them again, and found them in his own name, I know not. Wherefore I entreat your Grace to be content, and let your Prince execute his pleasure.

"July 12." "Rafe Sadler to the Cardinal.

"Crom. reward." "That his Master [*i.e.* Crumwell] hath accepted his token, which yet was not so great a reward as he expected (the Cardinal alleged his necessity, &c.) He saith that there is none.

"1530." "Cromwell to the Cardinal.

"May 17." "That the King hath received his letters, and is very sorry that he is in such necessity, yet that, for relief, his Majesty hath deferred it till he speak with his Council. The duke of Norfolk promiseth you his best aid, but he willeth you for the present to be content, and not much to molest the King (concerning payment of your debts, &c.,) for, as he supposeth, the time is not meet for it. His Grace [*i.e.* the King] showed me how it is come to his knowledge that your Grace should have certain words of him and other noblemen unto my lord of Norfolk since the time of your adversities, which words should sound to make sedition betwixt him and my lord of Norfolk.

"Lady Anne." "Mr. Page received your letter directed unto my lady Anne, and delivered the same. There is yet no answer. She gave kind words, but will not promise to speak to the King for you.

"Certain doctors of both the universities are here for the suppression of the Lutheran opinions. The King's highness hath caused the said doctors at divers times assemble, and hath communed with them. The fame is that Luther is departed this life. I would he had never been born.

"August." "Cromwell write's to Cardinal Wolsey :—

"Entreating him to have patience, &c. that there shall be some offices sent into York and Nottinghamshire to be found of your lands belonging to your

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archbishopric. This will be very displeasant to you, but it is best to suffer it, for, if they should not be found, you could not hold your bishopric quiet, notwithstanding your pardon; for your restitution made by your pardon is clearly void, for that the King did restitute your Grace before he was entitled by matter of record. When these offices shall be found, your pardon shall be good and stand in perfect effect.

"... had a new restitution granted."

"He tells him that his modest behaviour and humility hath gained him the love and good report of the country where he now lives, and also in the Court, yet his enemies deprave all. Sir, some there be that do allege that your Grace doth keep too great a house and family, and that ye are continually abuilding. For the love of God, therefore, have a respect, and refrain, &c.

"Octob." "Cromwell writes to the Cardinal:—

"I am informed your Grace hath me in some diffidence, as if I did dissemble with you, or procure anything contrary to your profit and honour. I much muse that your Grace should so think, or report it secretly, considering the pains I have taken, &c. Wherefore I beseech you to speak without feigning, if you have such conceit, that I may clear myself. I reckoned that your Grace would have written plainly unto me of such thing, rather than secretly to have misreported me, &c. But I shall bear your Grace no less good will, &c. Let God judge between us. Truly your Grace in some things overshooteth yourself; there is reg[ard] to be given what things ye utter, and to whom, &c.

"I find by these letters that Cromwell kept certain scholars in Cambridge, for he entreats the Cardinal to prefer them to benefices which should fall in his archbishopric.

"Octob." "The Cardinal strives to clear himself to Cromwell, protesting that he suspects him not, and that may appear by his deeds, for that he useth no man's help nor counsel but his, &c. Indeed, report hath been made to him that Cromwell hath not done him so good offices as he might concerning his colleges and his archbishopric; but he hath not believed them, yet he hath asked of their common friends how Cromwell hath behaved himself towards him, and, to his great comfort, hath found him faithful, &c. Wherefore he beseecheth him with weeping tears to continue stedfast, and give no credit to the false suggestions of such as would sow variance between us, and so leave me destitute of all help, &c.

"Madame Anne." "None dares speak to the King on his part for fear of Madame Anne's displeasure.

"The Cardinal takes the suppressing and dismembering of his colleges very heavily.

"He heartily and earnestly solicits Cromwell and others to aid the said colleges, that what the Pope and the King have done and confirmed may not be made void, which thing should be against all laws of God and man.

"This is said before."

"Minute." "He writes to the King humbly and on my knees with weeping eyes to recommend unto your excellent charity and goodness the poor college of Oxford. [This letter was to be presented by the Dean and Canons thereof.]"

2 Dec. **6077.** JAMES V. to HENRY VIII.

Cal.B.VII.155. B. M. St. P. IV. 571.

Understands by his writings, received from Sir Thos. Clifford, Henry's entire good will to him. Redress upon the Borders is the thing he most ardently desires. With regard to his intercession for Angus, begs him to remember the many writings and instructions he has sent him, containing the just process of forfeiture passed upon Angus, his brother, and uncle, for

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their crimes against James; especially those sent by Magnus, who left no persuasion untried with him. Thinks Henry should not urge him so far. Edinburgh, 2 Dec. 17 Jac. V. *Signed.*
Add.

2 Dec. **6078.** THE LORDS OF THE COUNCIL [OF SCOTLAND] to HEN. VIII.
Cal.B.VII.154. B.M.
Have received his letter from Sir Thos. Clifford, captain of Berwick. Are not inclined to any reconciliation between Angus and the King. Edinburgh, 2 Dec. 1529. *Signed:* Gawan archebischop of Glasgw.
P. 1. *Add.:* "To the kingis grace of Ingland."

2 Dec. **6079.** SIR THOMAS MORE.
S. B.
To the treasurer and barons of the Exchequer, the general surveyor of lands, the auditors of the accounts of the Hanaper of Chancery, of the chief butler, and others.
Warrant to allow to Sir Thos. More, as lord chancellor, the yearly sum of 142*l.* 15*s.* from 25 Oct. 21 Hen.VIII.; and for his attendance in the Star Chamber, 200*l.* a year. Also the chief butler is to allow him 64*l.* a year for the price of 12 tuns of wine; and the keeper of the Great Wardrobe, 16*l.* a year for wax. *Del.* Westm., 2 Dec. 21 Hen.VIII.

6080. WOLSEY to CROMWELL.
Vesp. F. XIII. 76. B.M. St.P. I. 349.
As you love me, repair here this day, at the breaking up of the Parliament. I have to communicate to you touching my comfort, and need your advice on certain things requiring expedition, to be solicited there. Asher, this Saturday morning.
I have certain things to communicate to you respecting yourself which you will be glad to hear. Mr. Agusteyn told me you had written to me a letter advertising me of the coming of the duke of Norfolk. No such letter reached me.
Hol. Add.

5 Dec. **6081.** DATES OF PAPAL DOCUMENTS.
R. O. Rym.XIV.353.
Notarial attestation of the oath taken by Th. Pighinutius de Petra Sancta, of the mode of computing the Dominical year in Papal breves. Bologna, Sunday, 5 Dec. 1529.
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7 [Dec.?]* **6082.** For THOMAS WYNTER, Dean of Wells Cathedral.
Constat and exemplication, at the request of William Clayburgh, one of the masters of Chancery, and Thos. Donyngton, clerk before the King in Chancery, of patent 16 July 20 Hen. VIII., granting to the said Thos. Wynter the custody of the hospital of St. Leonard, York.
Pat. 21 *Hen.VIII. p.*2, *m.* 24.——*Vacated on surrender by the said William and Thomas in behalf of the said Thos. Wynter,* 7 . . . . . 21 *Hen.VIII.*

8 Dec. **6083.** CREATIONS OF PEERS.
R. O.
28 June, 27 (17) Hen. VIII.—Henry Fitzroy as earl of Nottingham, duke of Richmond and Somerset. The earl of Devonshire as marquis of Exeter. Lord H. Brandon as earl of Lincoln. Lord Rosse (Roos) as earl of

* See 11 Dec. *post.*

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Rutland. Sir Hen. Clifford as earl of Cumberland. Sir Rob. Ratcliff lord Fitzwalter as visc. Fitzwalter. Sir Th. Boleyn as visc. Rochford.

22 Feb. 19 Hen. VIII. 1529 (1528 ?)—Sir Pierce Butler as earl of Ossory.

Conception of Our Lady, 20 (21 ?) Hen. VIII.—Visc. Rochford as earl of Wiltshire and Ormond, &c. Visc. Fitzwalter as earl of Sussex. Lord Hastings as earl of Huntingdon.

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8 Dec. **6084**. FOR ROBERT VISCOUNT FITZWAUTER, K.G.

P. S. Charter, granting, in tail male, the title of earl of Sussex; with an annuity of 20*l.* York Place, 8 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 19.

8 Dec. **6085**. FOR THOS. VISCOUNT ROCHEFORD, K.G.

P. S. Charter, granting, in tail male, the title of earl of Wiltshire in England, with an annuity of 20*l.* out of the issues of Wilts and Devon; and the title of earl of Ormond in Ireland, with an annuity of 10*l.* out of the farm of the city of Waterford. †Witnesses: W. archbishop of Canterbury, Thos. duke of Norfolk, treasurer of England, and Chas. duke of Suffolk, marshal of England; Thos. marquis of Dorset, and Hen. marquis of Exeter; John earl of Oxford, chamberlain of England, and Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, steward of the Household; Arthur viscount Lyslé, William lord Sands, the King's chamberlain, George lord Bergavenny, Sir William Fitzwilliam, treasurer of the Household, and Sir Henry Guldeford, comptroller of the Household, and others. York Place, 8 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 8 Dec.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 19.

Dec. **6086**. GEO. LORD HASTINGES.

P. S. Creation as earl of Huntingdon, with an annuity of 20*l.* York Place, 8 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., same day.

8 Dec. **6087**. CHARLES V.

R. O. Oath to observe the treaty of Cambray. Bologna, 8 Dec. 1529. *Signed.*

Fr., vellum.

R. O. 2. Notarial attestation of the above oath taken at the monastery of St. Francis, Bologna, 8 Dec. 1529.

Vellum. Seal attached.

9 Dec. **6088**. EDWARD FOX, clk.

P. S. Presentation to the hospital of Shurborne, void by the resignation of Thos. Wynter; at the King's disposal by the voidance of the bishopric of Durham. York Place, 4 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 9 Dec.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 9.

10 Dec. **6089**. GHINUCCI BISHOP OF WORCESTER to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 224. I wrote to your Majesty ten days ago. It is rumored that the Venetians shall pay the Emperor 100,000 ducats, and the duke of Milan 300,000 by instalments. No news of the duke of Ferrara. Bologna, 10 Dec. 1529.

Hol., Lat. Add. Endd.

† Supplied from the Patent Roll.

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10 Dec. **6090.** ERASMUS to FRANCIS, TREASURER OF BESANÇON.

Er. Ep. 1240. Three months ago sent a servant to England to inquire what truth there was in the rumor that the great Cardinal of England had been thrown into prison, and was even in danger of his life. Oh, the slippery turns of this world! Friburg, 10 Dec. 1529.

Lat.

11 Dec. **6091.** For THOS. MAGNUS, clk.

P. S. Custody of the hospital of St. Leonard, York, *vice* Thomas Wynter, clk. York Place, 7 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 11 Dec.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *ms.* 5 *and* 23.

ii. Mandate to the Mayor and Sheriffs of the city in pursuance of the above. 13 Dec.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 23.

12 Dec. **6092.** CAREW and SAMPSON to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 225. Are at great expence. All things are very dear, in consequence of the destruction of the country. The admiral of France, the bishop of Tarbes, and Morette are here. Betwixt Vercelli and Pavia for the space of fifty miles the whole country has been wasted. We saw no man or woman laboring in the fields. All the way could be found only three women, gathering wild grapes. The people and children are dying of hunger. Were well received at Turin by the duke of Savoy, and have received a safe-conduct from the Emperor. At Reggio we were housed by a friend of Gregory Casale. Bologna, 12 Dec. *Signed.*

Add. Endd. by Gardiner.

12 Dec. **6093.** CALAIS.

R. O. Writ to the mayor and escheator of Calais, to inquire touching the decay of houses within the town and scabinage, and to inquire the number of watchmen and other services now lacking by reason of such decay. The houses so decayed to be taken into the King's hands. Westminster, 12 Dec. 20 Hen. VIII.

ii. Inquisition made 12 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII.

Partly defaced and gall-stained.

13 Dec. **6094.** THOS. WYNTER.

R. O. Indenture, dated 13 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII., between Sir Antony Browne, knight for the Body, and Thos. Wynter, archdeacon of York, by which the latter makes over to Sir Antony his interest in a lease granted to him by Wolsey as bishop of Durham, on 10 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII., of a great house with a furnace for melting lead, near Gateshead, with all the Cardinal's mines within the bishopric, both within and without the country called Wardall, and all the ores of silver, iron, lead, copper, and other metals, subject to a rent of 5*l.* a year, for thirty years.

R. O. 2. Two drafts of Wolsey's lease of the twentieth year, above referred to, with corrections by Cromwell.

14 Dec. **6095.** THE DIVORCE.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 282. B. M. Extracts from letters of Micer May, 14 Dec.

* * * The cause of England is prosecuted without loss of time. More substantial decrees (*autos*) are wanted, and he has written to Spain for them. He has asked of the Pope the breves

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of the new inhibitions and of the separation, and the Pope has determined to give them; but the reporter (*relator*) spoke to the Consistory, and, on account of the absence of the cardinals of Ancona and Osma, the matter was not heard. (*Apostyle* :—The Pope should be told that this concerns [not?] the Queen only, but his own authority, and might give occasion to the King to do something therewith.) * * *

The king of England has written anew for the giving of cardinals' hats to the auditor of the Chamber and Casal. It was talked about in Consistory, but is given up. He has taken very great trouble to set both Pope and Cardinals wrong; but has succeeded ill with the latter, as they fear the Auditor being made Cardinal. * * *

Sp., pp. 8. *Modern copy.*

15 Dec. **6096.** BISHOP OF BAYONNE to MONTMORENCY.

Colbert MS. 468, v. p.559.

The bearer, whom you know, is returning to the Pope, and will give you news. I have not seen for a long time any one more affectionate to his master than he is to the King (Francis). Henry will not be pleased if he is detained at the French court. Complains of Montmorency's neglect in writing to him. I have excused it by speaking of returning when my brother comes, but even now I do not know when that will be. At last the king of England sees clearly that he must pass through the Pope's hands. That is the reason of the bearer's return. London, 15 Dec.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 2.

16 Dec. **6097.** IRELAND.

Commission to John archbp. of Armagh, primate of Ireland, and John prior of St. John's of Jerusalem in Ireland, treasurer there, to receive bulls of Clement VII., promoting, at the King's recommendation, John Aleyn to the see of Dublin, and to take his fealty. Westm., 16 Dec.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 1*d.*

6098. [WOLSEY to CROMWELL.]

Cott. App. XLVIII. 24. B. M. St. P. I. 352.

"Myn onely ayder in thys myn intollerable anxiete and hevynes," I thank you for your kind letters. Now that the Parliament is prorogued, and that the King intends, before he leaves York Place, to make an arrangement for Wolsey's entertainment, asks him to make arrangements most to Wolsey's comfort with Mr. Secretary (Gardiner), Norfolk and Suffolk, reminding them what was promised to him, relying upon which he made his submission, and put himself in the King's hands, who by the rigor of his laws could not have had so much as he now has. Trusts that their determination will be honorable as well as charitable. Wishes to know how he has sped today. If he does not come tomorrow, hopes he will bring on Monday the resolution of everything. Trusts that Mr. Nores will show his old love towards him. Mr. Secretary has promised to do his best. Forbears to send any one to solicit his causes, leaving them entirely in Cromwell's hands. Asher, this afternoon.

Hol., mutilated, pp. 2.

19 Dec. **6099.** THOMAS CROMWELL to WM. BRABAZON.

R. O.

Desires him to ride with Cowplande, the bearer, into the North, and assist him in carrying out his instructions. London, 19 Dec. *Signed.*

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21 Dec. **6100.** JOHN CLERKE, Canon of Cardinal's College, to CROMWELL.

R. O. In acknowledgment of his kindness to him and his brother Richard, sends him as a token a pair of Oxford gloves by Mr. Auditor. Oxford, St. Thomas' Day.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the Right Worshipful Mr. Cromwell. *Endd.*

23 Dec. **6101.** TREATIES.

Vit. B. XI. 227. B. M. Articles of the treaty concluded between the Pope, the Emperor, king Fernando and the Venetians, after the Emperor's descent into Italy, and his agreement with the duke of Milan.

1. The Venetians shall restore to the Pope Cervia and Ravenna, and the Pope will pardon their adherents. 2. They shall deliver to the Emperor Trani, Monopolis, and the other cities they hold in the realm of Naples. 3. The Emperor will restore the privileges granted to the Venetians by former kings of Naples, and their palace in the city. 4. The Venetians shall pay the 200,000 ducats due by the last treaty, if the towns mentioned therein are restored in a year. 5. The Pope promises in the name of the Venetians to pay 50,000 ducats, which the Emperor also claims. 6. The Venetians shall pay 5,000 ducats yearly to the banished men. 7. The Venetians shall pay the Emperor 100,000 ducats in addition to the above sums. 8. K. Fernando shall allow the patriarch [of Aquileia]* to enjoy his rights as determined by arbitrators. 9. The duke of Urbino shall be comprehended. 10. The Venetians shall forgive count Bronoro de Gambara and his brother, and permit them to remain in the Emperor's service. 11. Free mercantile intercourse. Neither party shall allow ships to leave their ports without taking security that they will not injure the subjects of either party. Neither shall receive the other's rebels. 12. The Emperor and King Fernando shall give a general pardon from the commencement of the war between Maximilian and the Venetians, for which the Venetians will pay 50,000 ducats.

ii. They have concluded a perpetual defensive league, on behalf of Italy, against all kings, princes, and potentates, viz. :—

1. The Emperor concedes that the duke of Milan shall keep 500 spears for the defence of the duchy, and promises that he will assist the Duke and the Venetians if necessary. The Venetians will also keep 500 spears and assist the Duke. 2. The Duke and the Venetians are bound to supply 15 galleys to defend the kingdom of Naples. 3. Friends and confederates to be comprehended, except those who are open enemies to one of the principal contrahents. On behalf of the Pope, the Emperor, and don Fernando, there have been named and included Genoa, Sienna, Lucca, the duke of Savoy, the marquises of Montferrat and Mantua. 4. The duke of Ferrara shall be taken as a confederate if he agrees with the Pope and the Emperor. 5. The treaty to be ratified in a fortnight by the Pope, the Emperor, the duke of Milan and the Venetians; and in a month by Fernando and others.

Bologna, in the house of Card. Gattinara, the Emperor's chancellor. 23 Dec. 1529.

Commissioners: "Hier. ep. Wasion. nuncius et procurator." Card. Gattinara. Louis de Prat. H. Perrenot. The Commendator Major. John Andreas Burgus, ambassador of K. Fernando. Gasper Contarinus, Venetian ambassador. George Andreacius, ambassador of the duke of Milan.

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Egerton MS. 543, f. 63. B. M. 2. Copy of the same.

Lat., pp. 11.

* Omitted in MS.: supplied from the Egerton copy.

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R. O. 3. Articles of agreement between Charles V. and Francis Sforza, duke of Milan. Bologna, at the house of cardinal Gattinara, 23 Dec. 1529.
In English, pp. 3. *In the same hand as* § 1. *Endd.*

Egerton MS. 543, f. 31. 4. Acceptance by Sforza of the Emperor's offers. Bologna, 23 Dec. 1529.
Lat., pp. 5.

24 Dec. **6102.** AWARD.

R. O. Award made by Nicholas Lambert, alderman of London, Robt. Palmer, mercer, of London, and Thos. Cromwell, in a suit between Nicholas Gibson and Edward Dawes, grocers, of London, who gave bonds to abide their arbitration on the 24 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII.
Pp. 2. *Imperfect. Draft, corrected by Cromwell.*

26 Dec. **6103.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to [HENRY VIII.]

R. O. Was with the Pope on Christmas Day, who showed him that the Emperor had informed him of all the things that Casale had told the Emperor, and, as it appeared by the Pope's words, had magnified and even added to what he had said of the Pope and Cardinals. Casale, however, stood to what he had said. Noted that the Emperor had complained of the long delay in the Queen's cause; to which the Pope had answered, that it was necessary to proceed with caution wherever the case was not clear. He would therefore learn all that was said about this matter, and many things which make for the King; for all the divines are against the power of the Pope, while of the doctors of canon law, some are against it; and those who are not, consider that the dispensing power can only be used for a very urgent cause, as, for example, to prevent the ruin of a kingdom. The Pope's function is to judge whether such a cause has arisen; but no such enquiry was made or judgment given when the dispensation of Julius was granted. Here the Emperor asked if there had not been very serious wars between Spain and England, and whether great calamities would not have ensued if this affinity had not been contracted. The Pope replied, it was all the more serious mistake if these causes had not been submitted to the Pope's judgment, and the Emperor must not be surprised if he could do no more for the Queen. On this, the Pope said, the Emperor looked quite confounded; but he was afraid he would think that he had said this with reference to a former conversation that he might satisfy Henry. Writes exactly what he was told by the Pope, whether the facts be so or no. Knows only that his Holiness took that day the Eucharist, and that he wishes the Emperor could be induced to let him satisfy your Majesty. Urged him, when the Emperor returned to the subject, to set forth more fully the justice of the King's cause, lest he should give the King occasion to suspect him. 26 Dec.
Hol., Lat., pp. 3. *Endd. by the King:* "Litteræ in Pontificis dicta declaratoriæ quæ maxime causam nostram probant."

27 Dec. **6104.** [RICHARD CROKE] to FOXE.

Vit. B. XIII. 9. B. M. Mentions his want of money and the scarcity in Italy, of which Sampson has probably written.
Urges him to obtain money for him. Rome is full of robbers. Four or five murders are committed every night. Many people now are anxious to obtain the Pope's blessing. Croke wants to keep as far from his hands as possible. Has not received the money which Foxe told him would be ready for him at Lyons or Bologna. Foxe was mistaken in his opinion of

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Sampson. Does not know what to do unless the King writes to tell Sampson to supply him, or unless the bishop of Worcester lends him more money. Begs him not to forget him. Has invented a cipher, which he incloses. Gregory's letters will show him what Croke has done in his affair. "Sed heus tu ne nimis falso gaudio crepes; egit adhuc ille nihil. Id ab eo hesterna nocte arte intellexi, et ex Wigorniensi responsum ejus ejusmodi ad me esse quale tu mihi posses dare, (nunquam interpellato rege), quoniam ego pecun[iam] postarum postulo, egi cum rege qui jussit ut cum Turca pro te agerem." Has not mentioned Foxe's other dispensation to the bishop of Worcester, and is sorry that he has mentioned it to Gregory. "Immo puto nos tuto potuisse neque o . . . . . communicasse Wigorniensi. Est enim homo synceræ fidei et . . . . . reliqua dispensatione se suas partes interpositurum jam . . . . . sibi, gravitas cujus tanta est ut neminem inani sp . . . . . ." Advises Foxe to thank him both for himself and Hawkins. He will not go to Rome before March. 6 kal. Jan.

Lat., draft, pp. 2.

27 Dec. Vit. B. XIII. 12. B. M.

6105. [RICHARD CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

The bishop of Worcester says that he has treated through friends with a theologian of great learning, and is expecting his writings every day. Neither dares nor thinks it advisable to do anything in the King's cause during the presence of the Pope and the Emperor. On their departure, will treat with the Jews as Stokesley advised, and with the theologians, of whose favorable opinion he does not despair, as they are all Thomists. The bishop of Worcester is very diligent. To prevent suspicion of their connection, they will not live together, either here or at Rome, but he wishes Croke to live at his house there during the Pope's absence. He has hired Croke a house here near his own. He advises him to go to Padua and Venice before going to Rome, and promises to assist him in obtaining the office of penitentiary, if it is vacant, for he will then have access to the libraries as the Pope's servant. Sends Stokesley's instructions to him about the authors to be consulted, that the King may see his diligence, and may see what a labor is imposed on Croke's poverty, as he will have to copy out two or three times the passages which will help the King's cause, leaving copies with the Bishop. Complains of his poverty and the expence of living. The Bishop advises him to live alone at Rome, and have intercourse with no one but him ". . . . . oratoribus tuis committenda putavi."

P.S.—Having sent off letters to the King's ambassadors, has been obliged to wait at Bologna for letters to introduce him to the libraries at Padua and Venice, and for letters which the bishop of Worcester expects from Rome, and also for money to meet his expences at Rome, where Dr. Benet tells him that he could never buy a chicken or enough bread for one servant for half a ducat. His firing has cost him a ducat a day here, and he can scarcely buy sufficient provisions for three ducats; while the Bishop says that everything at Rome is thrice as dear. Has asked the ambassadors to lend him money, but they reply that they fear that their money will not suffice for the heavy expences at Bologna, and complain that they are destitute in consequence of the dearness of provisions and the dishonesty of the bankers. Is therefore trying the Bishop, who immediately promised to lend him 100 pieces, but, being deceived by the bankers, could not lend them so soon as he wished. He is, however, eager to assist him, and assures him that he would lose his life rather than allow the King's cause or his servants to be neglected, and would divide his last loaf with them. Hears that he has always treated the English well. At Bologna, in readiness to start for Padua. 6 kal. Jan.

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6106. [RICHARD CROKE] to ———

Vit. B. XIII. 6 b. B. M.

[Arrived at] Bologna, Dec. 19, after many difficulties, caused by a slight fever from which he suffered, and by the dangers of the road. Crossed the Alps four days after leaving Lyons, though they were detained at Mont Cenis one day by a high wind. The mountains between Savona and Tarensium were most difficult and dangerous. The road had been infested by Spaniards, who had killed and plundered the couriers of the duke of Savoy; but the recent agreement of the duke of Milan with the Emperor has removed this danger. The expence of lodging and posts is much increased. The courier told him that between Cestria and Parma horses could not be hired for less than a gold piece, but from Loana to Cestria they were only half a crown, equal to a franc. But even there, although the horses were very bad, a gold piece was asked for them, and no reason given for the extortion. The horses were no less dangerous than the roads. Simon broke his arm by a fall. [Croke] was much shaken, which caused fever and diarrhœa. Has lost about 15*l.* by the ducats of Mirandola, which are so adulterated that he could never get more than a crown and a half for them. "Narraverat mihi D. Vigorniensis obtrusisse [i]lli maxima jactura illos Turcam (*sic*). Tu scis non posse ferre [ta]ntam jacturam et nollem libenter conqueri de Turca." Some means must, therefore, be found that Croke may not lose by them. "Egi . . . [de re]bus tuis cum Gregorio de Casalis qui de dispen[satione] horarum canonicarum dubitat, et putat rem esse . . . . . d de alia dispensatione nihil hæret de qua . . . . . dubitabamus. Egi de dispensatione horarum canonicarum cum D. Wigorniensi tam pro me quam te. Ille difficulter concessurum p[utat Pontificem] quod nihil tale hactenus concesserit, et narravit aliquid impetrasse Wilso[num de] orationibus canonicis, sed ignorare quidnam id sit; si Pontifex alicu[i concesserit] nihil dubitat impetraturum tam mihi quam tibi. Si non concessit, fallendum ho . . . . . Paschate quam alias oremus ut liceat secundum brevissimum ipsorum modum . . . . . totum annum dicere, simulque liberos a matutinis Virginis esse non comm . . . . . aliam dispensationem tuam episcopo admonuique Gregorium non esse communicandam, quoniam tu ita jusseras, quamquam ea res hic nullius habetur momenti." Gregory promised to speak about your dispensations to the Pope today. Will try and obtain Hawkins' request. The Bishop treats him very well, but does not think it advisable for him to live in his house. He has, however, found him a house near, and wishes him only to come to him at night. Are going to Venice and thence to Rome. Trusts to his correspondent and Stephen. The bishop of Worcester tells him that everything is three times as dear as usual. "Pontifex Maximus et Cæsar in unis cubant, vivuntque, ed[untque] Cardinales episcopique hic omnes, sed et ipse summus Pontifex et Cæsar barbati incedunt. Cardinalium magna pars violacea est, non rubea." Has not yet seen the Emperor or the Pope; nor even the English ambassadors, lest he should be recognised. Men are daily raised to attack the Florentines, and artillery is being collected from all Italy. All the princes and states except Venice are sending forces to the Emperor. An inhabitant of Bologna, who was lately sent to Castel Franco and Modena to procure artillery, and received money from the peasants to excuse them from providing carts, was hung by the Spaniards, immediately on his return to Bologna, from the capitol, before the eyes of the Pope.

Lat., draft, pp. 2.

6107. [RICHARD CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 6. B. M.

At Turin found that the couriers of the duke of Savoy had been robbed, and some of them killed. Could get no one to go . . . . . with him, and was obliged with others to turn aside to Mount Callirrhous, and to

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entrust his life not only to the mountains, but also to the dangerous rivers, which are continual between Saona and Tarensium. The journey to Bologna was therefore much slower and more expensive than he expected. Would not have arrived safe but for the faithfulness of his courier. Has sent an account of his expences to Fox, which are 40*l.* more than his allowance. Advises the King not to allow the ducats of Mirandola, otherwise called St. Paul's, to enter England, as they are so adulterated that they are hardly received in Italy. Commends the bishop of Worcester's prudence. Dares not write much, as he has no ciphers, for the Spanish soldiers open and read everything. Is going tomorrow to Padua, then to Venice and Rome. Asks for a supply of money, as he has scarcely ten days' diets left. The bishop of Worcester has lent him 100 ducats in the King's name.

Lat., draft, mutilated, p. 1.

[27 Dec.] **6108.** GEO. MANNERS to CROMWELL.

R. O.

I send my servant for a horse I should have of my lord Cardinal, and desire, if you are now at Assher with him, that you will have it delivered to my servant, who will wait upon you wherever it is. James of the Stable made his excuse to me, and said he had none so good in his keeping as my horse was, and that Mr. Lyle had horses in his hands, of which I should have one for mine. These horses were delivered to my lord Cardinal's officers before I came from Lambeth. I should be content to have in exchange the horse that bare my Lord's vallance, or that Fox rode into the North. Knolle, St. John's Day. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.*

29 Dec. **6109.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 421.

Will add nothing to what he has written to the King, except to state again that he never saw this King, or those who have influence with him, in such a favorable mood. This has been much promoted by what the French theologians have done, as reported by the ambassadors; but there is one Beda of this number, who is a very dangerous merchant, and it would be needful not to have many such in good company, as I will tell you further. I think the ambassadors will be shortly recalled; meanwhile any good cheer that may be shown to them will not exceed that which is done to me here; and I imagine they will show no less to De Vaux, who has such good will to them. But I trust he will come at the time when ceremonies are converted into good cheer, and when good will rather increases than diminishes.

For three days, this interview at Turin has been the universal talk, which would be a flea in the ear to the chief councillors, if it were not for this demonstration made by your theologians, which is enough to abolish everything. To say the truth, I think it was not a thing that should have gone so far without being intimated here, especially considering that, as I wrote long ago, the inkling they had got of it had given them a headache, which might easily have been taken away by informing them before it came to them otherwise. I pacified them, as I told you, by telling them that it was sought rather on the Emperor's side than ours, in which I was supported by La Pommeraye; but now that I should have liked still to defend myself from this stick, I have lost all my credit; for this King is informed for certain that your ambassadors made the overtures to the Pope, in order that he might propose them to the Emperor, and did so with such urgency that the Pope was compelled to tell De Tarbe that he should not make him convey a message which he would disavow afterwards (*qu'il ne luy feist point porter parolle, dont après il fust desavoué.*) De Tarbe replied, that he was ready to stand by it (*la continuer*) in presence of both of them, and thereupon the Pope had requested both of them to undertake a journey to

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the court to conclude this affair. You may judge what suspicions people might take from this. The Imperial ambassador has asked me if this King would not also be at the meeting, which would be only reasonable, as Francis has requested the attendance of the others, so that an enterprise against the Turk might be made by common consent. I am endeavoring to find out from the ambassador what is the intention on the Emperor's part, about the performance of the things promised. His answers are as favorable as possible, but the words of the Emperor, which I have reported to Francis, are rather strange. London, 29 Dec.

Fr. Add.: "Monseigneur le Grant Maistre et Mareschal de France."

29 Dec. **6110.** THOMAS RUSSHE to CROMWELL.

R. O. At my departure from London at the Horse Head, without Aldgate, I found Mr. Audeley ready to ride homeward, and accompanied him to Colchester. On the way he told me he and Mr. Bonham were commissioned to enter into Wykes because it was holden of the duchy, and no licence had been obtained under the duchy seal. He thought the King would take all the monasteries suppressed, as my lord Cardinal's forfeiture dated from the first time of his offence, and that all leases would be void. If so, let me know to come and sue remedy, lest any grant pass the King. You would be astonished at the lies told of you and me in these parts. Commend me to Bonevise. Ipswich, 29 Dec.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Thomas Crumwell, gif this at London.

6111. EMBASSY TO CHARLES V.

R. O. Instructions to the earl of Wiltshire, keeper of the privy seal, &c.,* sent ambassadors to the Emperor.

1. They are to go to the Emperor wherever he is, with all possible speed. 2. On their coming to his presence Wiltshire is to deliver his letters of credence, and, after the usual compliments, the letters written in the King's own hand, showing the chief cause of his mission, and declare as follows :—

The King has understood from his ambassadors the Emperor's desire for a renewal of amity, which was confirmed by letters under the Emperor's own hand. He now holds the Emperor his sure and firm friend, and wishes to declare to him the secret of his heart, which he could not effectually do by letters or instructions, and which the Earl will declare. Two causes have hitherto prevented him declaring to the Emperor the secrets of this his great matter :—first, the declaration of war, which would have made it dishonorable to show his intention to his enemy; and, second, he could not show it, even to a friend, without ripe deliberation. But, as the Emperor has himself broached the subject with the King's ambassadors, the King, trusting in his old friendship, wishes to open to him the depth of his conscience in this weighty cause. He hopes the Emperor will not believe that any earthly consideration would have affected his judgment in such a matter; for he would not have gone against the Emperor's wishes without the advice of the most learned and virtuous men that could be found in England, Italy and France. The Earl shall then say that he has no doubt he shall be able to give the Emperor satisfaction when he is pleased to hear the whole matter disclosed. This will be enough for the first audience.

On the day appointed for his second interview, Wiltshire shall relate to him in French the whole matter of the cause; viz., that, as the Emperor knows, the Queen, whom Henry has hitherto regarded as his wife, was wife

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of his brother Arthur, and by him was carnally known, whatever may be said to the contrary, for it has been proved by the depositions of a great part of the nobility ;—that the King, being informed by many great clerks, both of England and elsewhere, that the hindrance to his marriage was such that no dispensation was valid by the laws of God, and being confirmed in this by his own study and learning, he could not quiet his conscience remaining longer with the Queen, whom, for her nobleness of blood and other virtues, he had loved entirely as his wife, until he saw that their union was forbidden in Scripture. Unless, therefore, he would wilfully destroy his soul, there are so many reasons to persuade the dissolution of his marriage, that he cannot abide in it, viz. :—

1. The Levitical law is plain against the marriage, which says, "*nullus accipiet uxorem fratris et turpitudinem fratris tui non revelabis*," while another passage of Scripture declares that no one shall add nor take away one jot or one tittle from the Word of God ; for which reason the King wonders at the hardihood of those who venture to add interpretations and glosses, especially such a one as this, *mortui sine liberis*, which was a case only allowed in Deuteronomy for the purpose of raising up seed in Israel, and applied only to those who lived together. This argument is further illustrated from other passages of Scripture. The King hopes the Emperor will do justice to his conscientious scruples, for it would have been much more easy for him to have satisfied the world by keeping the Queen as his wife, by which he would have been all the more firmly joined with the Emperor.

2. Moreover, if it had been a case in which the Pope could dispense, the bull on which the Queen chiefly relies was acknowledged to be insufficient both here and at Rome when the King's agents were there (although the King does not trust the Romans to adhere to their opinion), for it suggests falsely that the King desired the marriage for the sake of peace,—a matter of which he was then incapable of judging, being then under 12 years old. Further, he had no part in asking for the said bull, as appears by the deposition of the late bishop of Winchester, who then governed. Moreover, there was no war nor danger of war when the Pope gave this dispensation for the sake of peace, for peace had already been established between the two kingdoms some time before. Further, if the Queen's agents at Rome had believed the bull to be sufficient, they would have insisted more upon this point, and not have alleged a new brief, which had neither been heard of nor seen before the faults of the said bull were perceived. Thus the Emperor will see that the insufficiency of this bull is suspected by all parties.

As to the brief, it may be clearly proved to be of no effect :—first, because, it bears the same date as the bull ; and, secondly, because it supplies the defects of the bull, which have only been lately discovered. Moreover, it is more likely that princes of high wisdom and policy would have renewed their treaties and promises under lead, than have supplemented them with a piece of parchment sealed only with wax, which could be and perhaps is removed from one to another. Moreover, it has always been the custom of the court of Rome to register every brief of importance ; and, on search being made, a register was found for the time of pope Julius, containing memoranda of several briefs granted in like cases the same year, but without a word about the brief in question ; while, in England, which, after Rome, would be the most likely place to find it, there is neither the original nor a copy, although of the bull there is a copy and register both at Rome and here. There is, besides, another reason, which clearly proves the brief to be false, viz., its date, by which, according to the ancient style of the court of Rome, it appears to have been of the time of Julius, and even during the life of prince Arthur, which falsehood is inexcusable,—besides others too long to express in instructions. Henry, therefore, hopes the Emperor will maintain his old friendship

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with him, seeing that the King does not wish to trouble any others in the possession of their realms, and that he will not allow the Pope or any other to disturb their renewed friendship.

If the Emperor, after this declaration made by the Earl, &c.*

And if the Emperor refuse to hear the arguments in this matter, &c.*

And if by chance the Emperor, during the disclosure of the King's matter, &c.*

And if the Emperor, well noting such reasons and allegations, &c.*

The Earl must not forget to take an opportunity in conversation with the Emperor of showing him how he will bind himself to the King and the whole realm of England, if this matter is decided with his consent; while, on the other hand, his opposition to the King's purpose will diminish their friendship, and give Henry just cause to complain of ingratitude. All these things, however, before saying them to the Emperor, the Earl and the ambassadors are to temper and qualify in such fashion that he may not take them for threats, or infer that the King himself wishes a breach.

And if these matters thus passed in communication with the Emperor, &c.*

And if it happen that the Emperor, by manner of communication, &c.*

And if the Emperor discussing the matters, &c.*

And if the Emperor does not move to take some certain way, &c.*

And if it happen that at the arrival of the Earl, &c.*

And forasmuch as the said Earl conducting thither, &c.*

And if he (or it?) be required, &c.*

If, after trying various ways and means with the Emperor to induce him to consent to the King's purpose, he cannot prevail, then the said Earl, along with the elect of London and the Almoner, shall take his leave without awaiting letters of recall, leaving behind them Dr. Benet as ambassador with the Emperor, and return with all diligence. In doing which, as the Emperor does not understand Latin, it will be needful that Wiltshire prepare beforehand certain formal words, so couched as not to give offence, or cause suspicion of a rupture. He may, however, signify to the Emperor that although the King has not been able to gain his consent, he cannot forbear to discharge his conscience, which he has done his utmost to do, with the consent of his friends. If the Emperor reply that he would be satisfied if the King would in this matter follow the common order of law, and leave it to the Pope's judgment, the Earl shall say that there are so many reasonable causes to refuse this, that the King thinks the Emperor will admit it could not be indifferently determined at Rome. For, first, the Pope and his ministers were so maltreated by the Spaniards and Germans at the sack of Rome that he dares not displease the Emperor. Moreover, the place is not indifferent, seeing that one party is Spanish, and fear of torments and loss of goods affects them more than zeal for truth. Further, a judge competent to decide such an affair should be well versed in Divine law, as well as that of the canons, in which the Pope has confessed himself ignorant, as appears both by divers letters addressed by himself to the King, and by the report of the King's ambassadors. How, then, could the King, without offence to God, having a clear conviction of his own right, submit to the determination of one who acknowledges himself to be ignorant of this science. It would be like plucking out his own eyes, and putting himself under a blind guide, of which the Scripture says, "that if the blind lead the blind they will both fall into the ditch." The King has, therefore, on mature deliberation, fixed his cause upon the express words of God, that the marriage is against the Divine commandments, and he does not see what judgment is needed to delay the

* These headings of paragraphs stand thus in the original.

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case longer, considering that the Scripture says, "*Ubi Spiritus Domini, ibi libertas,*" and the Pope's laws approve the acts of one who suffers the extremity of ecclesiastical censures, and conforms to the decision of his own conscience. It is clear, therefore, that he is not bound to wait any longer the decision of the Church,—as it is expressly written in the Decretals, in the chapter *Licet de regularibus.* The King is also encouraged by a wonderfully virtuous and wise man,* who says that he is not to be considered pious, but impious, who transgresses his Master's law for the sake of a servant, and fears more to offend man than God. He is resolved, therefore, to conform himself to the words of our Saviour, "Nolite timere eos qui occidunt corpus, animam autem occidere non possunt. Sed Eum potius timete qui potest corpus et animam perdere in Gehennam."

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2. A portion of the same instructions, beginning, "After which repair unto the Emperor's presence, the said Earl, after delivery of the letters written with his owne hand," &c.

3. The Emperor's answer, at f. 122 b.

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6112. RALPH SADLEYR to CROMWELL.

Titus, B. I. 370. B. M.

Immediately after your departure, went to Mr. Vice-Chamberlain at the court, as you commanded. He said he knew nothing more of my Lord's affairs than when you were last with him; but he, and Mr. Treasurer, and Mr. Secretary had consulted together and determined their intent, but had had no time to execute it, as the King did not come abroad today, and probably will not tomorrow. The Vice-Chamberlain will write to you as soon as he knows anything. He says that my Lord's hinderers and enemies have had time with the King before his friends, but he trusts their purpose will be prevented. Went to Mr. Secretary,† who said he knew nothing at all about my lord's Grace. I think he will do little or nothing to my Lord's avail, or to that of any of his friends, more than he may not choose for very shame, considering the advancements and promotion that he hath had at my Lord's hand. I have small trust in him. London, Thursday, 8 p.m.

P.S.—Wyllyamson says that while I was at court Mr. Holgill sent to your house, desiring you to speak with him tomorrow at the Savoy.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his right worshipful maister, Mr. Thomas Crumwell, be this given at Asshire.

6113. WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Lans. MS. 121. No. 12. B. M. Strype Eccl. Mem. I. pt. II. 31.

Although he is in very great indisposition, and cannot write long letters, cannot forbear putting him in remembrance, on the return of Thomas Cromwell, that after consultation taken by the King in regard to Wolsey, "which ye supposed should be on Sunday was sevynight, ye would not fail to advertise me at length of the specialties thereof." Begs that Gardiner will at this holy time write as he promised, and put him out of his agony.

"Written this morning at Asher, with the rude hand and sorrowful heart of yours, with heart and prayer, T. Car^lis^ Ebor. miserrimus."

Modern copy.

6114. WOLSEY to [CROMWELL].

Cott. App. XLVIII. 10. B. M. St. P. I. 351.

"The forberyng and puttyng ovyr of your comyng hyther hath so increasyd my sorwe, and put me in suche anxyete of mynd, that thys nygth my brethe and wynde, by sythyng, was so short that I was by the space of thre owers as one that shulde have dyde. Wherfor, yf ye love my lyf, breke

* Cranmer ? † Gardiner.

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awey thys evenyng and come hyther, to the yntent I may open my mynde unto yow, and instruct you of the same, wych I can not commyt to wryttyng, but yt ys necessary that the same be done by mutual conferens with yow by mowthe, and that I may have your cownsell opon the same. Yf thys tyme be put ovyr, yt shall not lye in your poore to provyde the remedye. Yf I mygth I wolde not fayle, rather then thys my spekyng with yow shulbe put ovyr and delayd, to come on my fete to yow. At the reverence of God, take sume payne now for me, and forsake me not in thys myn extreme nede; and wher as I can not, God shall rewarde yow. Now ys the tyme to [sh]owe whether ye love me or not. Wherfor in any wyse take [pains] in thys purpose some lytyl tyme: ye shal not tary here long. [A]t the wych your comyng I shal showe you [my] mynd in all [s]uche thyngs as ye have wrytten to me afore. I am now in no good poynt to wryt at the leynth any thyng, nor shalbe abyll . . . . de any, yf I contynue in this cas, *nam dies mei finientur.* [I pray you] speke with Mr. Nores affore your comyng, of whom ye may [gather] some specialties. Yf the dessplesure of my lady Anne be [some]what asswagyd, as I pray God the same may be, then yt shuld [be devised t]hat by sume convenyent meane she be further laboryd, [for th]ys ys the only helpe and remedy. All possyble means [must be used for] atteynyng of hyr favor. I have, God knowys, [great need of friends] nowe to showe cheryte, pety . . . . . [I commit me] to your wyse handling."

Draft in Wolsey's own hand; mutilated, p. 1. *Headed in pencil:* Asher.

6115. CARDINAL WOLSEY.

R. O. Grant by Wolsey to George Boleyn, knt., viscount Rochford, son and heir apparent of Thomas earl of Wiltshire and Ormond, of an annuity of 200*l.* out of the lands of the bishopric of Winchester, with power to distrain for nonpayment.

ii. Similar grant of an annuity of 200 marks out of the abbey lands of St. Albans.

Drafts, corrected by Cromwell, pp. 3, *large paper.*

Dec. **6116.** SIR WM. BARANTYNE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Hoped to have seen him in these parts before Christmas. Will make him welcome if he will come to his house. Asks his favor in his suit for the ferme of the parsonage of Churchyll. Heard today that John Hacker has a new grant of it for 42 years from the dean of my lord Cardinal's College. Hears that the indenture is engrossed, but hopes Cromwell will stop its being sealed. It is very commodious for Barantyne, as it is within his own manor. Hasley, — Dec. *Signed and sealed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To his heartily beloved friend, Master Cromwell.

6117. EDW. BOUGHTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Asks his favor for his niece, Anne Banastre. Wishes him to ask Wolsey to call the parties before him, and order her husband to give her an honest living out of her own. Cannot make him sufficient recompence, but will be always glad to do him pleasure. Though his substance be drowned, will give Crumwell some wood for his chamber or other pleasure. Would have been with him tomorrow, but his wife is not well, and he himself is pained with the stone. Asks him to be good lord to the victuallers who shall come to him. Woolwich, Thursday night.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Cromwell. *Endd.*

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6118. EDWARD BOUGHTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Asks him to help him to obtain the 5*l.* due to him from the late abbot of Lesnes, for which he has received six loads of elm timber. Is content that Cromwell should take a noble to buy a pickerel for himself and his wife. Desires to be recommended to her, though unacquainted. Will be glad to see them at his lodging here. Woolwich, Sunday.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the worshipful Master Cromwell.

6119. BRIAN TUKE to the MAYOR OF SANDWICH.

R. O. Informs him that a ship, called the *Mary and John*, now in the Downs, the Camber, or Dover Road, which was laden with beans by Anthony Cavalare, deceased, belongs to the King, to whom Cavalare owed large sums of money. The mayor is therefore to arrest her . . . . . Sunday evening.

Hol., p. 1, *mutilated. Begins:* Master Mayor of Sandwich.

R. O. 2. Brian Tuke to the officers of the ports of Sandwich, Dover, Winchester, Rye, or Hampton. Revoking the order for the arrest of the above ship. London, ... [15]29.

Hol., p. 1, *mutilated.*

6120. QUEEN MARGARET to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Desires restitution to Matho Cristesoun, of Disart, and Walter Grot, of certain pieces of cloth and "pewder" detained from them by the mayor of Hull, by means, as he says, of the inhabitants of Berwick. Edinburgh, ——— 1529. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Sealed.*

6121. KATHARINE OF ARRAGON.

Cott. App. B. M. Accounts of Griffin Richardes, receiver general of Katharine of Arragon.

A parchment volume of 166 pages, much mutilated and defaced, and the leaves out of order. The chief portion consists of the accounts of Ric. Ratclyff, Thos. Thornehull, Edw. Tame, Ric. Decons, Edw. Busshy, and John and Wm. Poyntz, for lands in various counties.

There are abstracts of the expences of the Queen's household for the following years :—

f. 11 b. Household expences, from 16 March 15 Hen. VIII. to 16 March 16 Hen. VIII.

[Rewards], 325*l.* 13*s.* Costs and expences for the Queen's use, including 166*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for repairs at Haveringatboure, 600*l.* 1*s.* 5¾*d.* Fees and wages of knights, ladies, maids, and lawyers, 789*l.* 4*s.* 10*d.* Wardrobe of robes, 866*l.* 0*s.* 1½*d.* Wardrobe of beds, 55*l.* 8*s.* 0½*d.* Stables, 778*s.* 14*s.* 8*d.* Preparing the household in divers places, 30*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* "Batillagium," 32*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Rewards to persons bringing presents, 97*l.* 4*s.* Presents, 366*l.* 16*s.* 10½*d.* For the Queen's purse, 266*l.* 17*s.* 2*d.* Offerings to the Dean of the Chapel Royal, 27*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Other offerings, 5*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.* Alms, 195*l.* 7*s.* 7*d.* Laundress, 3*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.*—Total, 4,440*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*

f. 10. Expences of the household. —— March 16 Hen. VIII. to —— March 17 Hen. VIII.

Rewards, 550*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* Costs and expences for the Queen's use, including 230*l.* 13*s.* 0½*d.* for the repairs of Fodrynghey Castle, 618*l.* 14*s.* 9*d.* ½q. Fees and wages of knights, ladies, maids, and lawyers, 826*l.* 13*s.* 10½*d.* Wardrobe of robes, 877*l.* 10*s.* 3½*d.* Wardrobe of beds, 11*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.* Stables, 807*l.* 9*s.* 10*d.* Preparing the household in divers places, 32*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.* "Batillagium," 20*l.* 0*s.* 9½*d.* Rewards to persons bringing presents, 97*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Presents, 424*l.* 15*s.* 3*d.* For the Queen's purse, 185*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.* Offerings to the Dean of the Chapel Royal, 27*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Other offerings, 8*l.* 7*s.* Alms, 184*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.* Laundress, 4*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.*—Total, 4,677*l.* 8*s.* 11*d.* 2½q.

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f. 7 b. Expences of the household, from —— March 17 to —— March 18 Hen. VIII. [Rewards], 317*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.* [Costs and expences] for the Queen's use, 727*l.* 12*s.* 1¼*d.* Fees and wages of knights, ladies, maids, and lawyers, 904*l.* 8*s.* 9½*d.* Wardrobe of robes, 1,152*l.* 12*s.* 1½*d.* Wardrobe of beds, 56*l.* 17*s.* 11*d.* Stable, 778*l.* 19*s.* 11¾*d.* Preparing the household in divers places, 23*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* "Batillagium," 21*l.* 10*s.* Rewards to persons bringing presents, 101*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.* Presents, 413*l.* 14*s.* 6¼*d.* Money for the Queen's purse, 162*l.* 13*s.* 11*d.* Offerings to the Dean of the Chapel Royal, 27*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* Other offerings, 5*l.* 5*s.* 1*d.* Alms, 132*l.* 16*s.* 6½*d.* Laundress, 3*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*—Total, 4,830*l.* 6*s.* 1½*d.*

f. 5 b. Household expences, from March 18 Hen. VIII. to the same date 19 Hen. VIII. Rewards, 385*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.* Expences for the Queen's use, 384*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.* Fees and wages of knights, ladies, maids, and lawyers, 887*l.* 5*s.* 10½*d.* Wardrobe of robes, 768*l.* 8*s.* 10¾*d.* Wardrobe of beds, 14*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.* Stable, 754*l.* 1*s.* 2¾*d.* Preparing the household in divers places, 18*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.* "Batillagium," 47*l.* 11*s.* 11*d.* Rewards to persons bringing gifts, 100*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.* Gifts, 357*l.* 6*s.* 1¼*d.* Money for the Queen's purse, 194*l.* 8*s.* 5¼*d.* Offerings to the Dean of the Chapel Royal, 26*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Other offerings, 7*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.* Alms, 187*l.* 0*s.* 1*d.* Laundress, 2*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*—Total, 4,135*l.* 3*s.* 1½*d.*

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f. 2. Expences of the household Offerings, 32*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* Alms, 164*l.* 4*s.* 9*d.* Laundress, 65*s.* 8*d.* Money for the Queen's purse, 200*l.* 17*s.* 6½*d.* "[Pro consilio] in lege spirituali et al' conc' dominam reginam," 514*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.*

f. 8. Household expences, 20 March 20 Hen. VIII. to 20 March 21 Hen. VIII. Rewards, 179*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.* Costs and expences for the Queen's use, 157*l.* 11*s.* 9*d.* Fees and wages to knights, ladies, maids, and lawyers, 902*l.* 12*s.* 6½*d.* Wardrobe of robes, 759*l.* 2*s.* 10¼*d.* Wardrobe of beds, 5*l.* 13*s.* 11*d.* Stable, 665*l.* 5*s.* Preparing the household in divers places, 24*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* "Batillagium," x . . . . . Rewards to persons bringing presents, ciii . . . . . Presents, 349*l.* . . . . . Money for the Queen's purse, cxx. . . . . Offerings to the Dean of the Chapel Royal, 27*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Other offerings, 6*l.* 15*s.* 5*d.* Alms, 163*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.* Laundress, 3*l.* 7*s.* 5*d.* "Expensæ factæ pro consilio in l[ege] . . . . . [domin]am Reginam concernent' in dicta lege," 704*l.* x . . *s.* 9*d.*

f. 44. f. 65. There are two accounts of alms, pensions, and tithes paid by the Queen's receivers, both alike, and neither dated.

Alms to the convent of Shene, granted by the King's progenitors out of the lordship of Wareham, 7*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Alms granted by the King's progenitors to the convent of St. Margaret, near Marleburgh, 2*l.* 10*s.* Alms granted by the Queen to John Benton, anchorite of Marleburgh, 12 April 9 Hen. VIII., 13*s.* 4*d.* Alms granted by the King's progenitors to the rector of Kynges Langley, as tithes for land in the park there, 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Alms granted by the King's progenitors to the nuns of Staunford, 40*s.*, and to the Friars Minors of Grauntham, 40*s.* Alms granted by the Queen to the "Ancorissa" of Staunford, 13 July 7 Hen. VIII., 20*s.* Alms granted by the King's progenitors to the dean and college of Stoke, near Clare, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Alms granted by John late duke of Suffolk to the guild of St. Nicholas in Dedham, from the rent of a tenement there, 10*s.* Tithes of Baynardescastell to Walter Major, rector of St. Benet's, near Pawlis Wherff, 40*s.*—Total, 22*l.*

f. 51. In addition to the payments of wages and allowances to the officers of the Queen's lands, there are the following payments to other persons:—

To John Grigby, clerk of the Queen's Council and registrar of her Chancery, 5*l.* Hugh Carre, keeper of the Tower near the King's Exchequer, 4*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* Elys Hilton, keeper of Baynardescastell, 8*l.* 0*s.* 10*d.* Sir Thos. Nevell, retained of the Queen's Council, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* [Richard] Lytstere, the King's attorney, retained of the Queen's Council, 40*s.* William Rudhale, sergeant-at-law, retained of the Queen's Council, 40*s.* Chas. Bulkeley, the Queen's solicitor, 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* John Scott, Nic. Tichbourne, Edw. Knightley,

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John Baker and —— Mountague, apprentices at law, retained on the Queen's Council, 7*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* John Joynour, the Queen's attorney in the Common Bench, 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* John Ernelye, King's attorney, retained of the Queen's Council, *nil.* Wm. Rudhale, Queen's attorney, *nil.*

6122. "ABATEMENTS."

R. O.

In coats, 500*l.* In coats for captains and petty captains, 10*l.* In conduct money, 1,000*l.* In conduct money for captains and petty captains, 40*l.* In wages of 3,000 men for half a year, at 6*d.* a man, 13,662*l.* 10*s.* 30 captains, at 4*s.* a man, 168*l.* 30 petty captains, at 2*s.*, 84*l.* 4,000 Almains and their captains for the same time, 17,136*l.* 3,000 horsemen with captains and lieutenants, 24,640*l.* Ships for transporting them, by estimation, 3,000*l.* Conduct homeward of footmen, 1,000*l.* Total, 61,240*l.* 10*s.*

Item, of the Emperor, 30,000*l.* Of the King's debts and revenues, 50,000*l.* Of the subsidy, 200,000*l.* Total, 341,240*l.* 10*s.*

"So in surplusage, over 304,982*l.* 13*s.* mentioned in the rate, 36,257*l.*17*s.*"

P. 1. *In Tuke's hand.*

6123. HENRY [LORD] STAFFORD to HENRY VIII.

Cart. Ant. XIII. 19.
B. M.
Ellis, 2 Ser. II. 22.

Petition for restoration in blood as son of Edward Stafford, late duke of Buckingham, who was attainted eight years ago. The King had granted him 500 marks of land from Michaelmas after his father's death, for himself to live on, and for his wife's jointure; and at the delivery of the said lands, finding them to be under the value by ————*, the Cardinal, late Lord Chancellor, desired him to accept them, and he would continually sue to the King for a supplementary grant. Stafford accordingly continued to petition Wolsey on the subject till the next Parliament, when he told him he should either be content with the lands, or he should have none at all, but the King's high displeasure. At another time he was compelled by my lord Cardinal, after great cost done upon a house in Sussex in which he lived three years, to break up his household, and sell what he had there, when, having no fitting dwelling-place on the lands given him by the King, he was compelled to board at an abbey this four years' day with his wife and seven children. Protests that he does not covet the dignity of his father, nor to have any estate, arms, or lands other than the King shall give him.

6124. LORD LISLE.

R. O.

A file of 42 documents, consisting chiefly of receipts given by Sir Arthur Plantagenet lord Lisle, his receiver Anthony Wyndesore, and others, from 19 to 21 Hen. VIII., touching the following persons and places:—

Persons.—Rob. Dytton, Roger Davyson, bailiff, Wm. Wyatt, Humphrey Ferres, Th. Ardurne, John Osborne, John Southwell, bailiff, the abbot of Glastonbury, Walter Quyck, Ric. Day, Master Roynon, Wm. Orche, reeve, John Mottley, Th. Norreys, Wm. Shotford, John Pauly, Mr. Chasse, John Whiteblake, John Creche, Wm. Machyn, Master Nuton, Foscu, Th. Roo, of Chedder, lord Daubeney, Wm. Say, John Lane, Lisle's bailiff at Bristol, and others.

Places.—Sweynesthorp, Sygyngworthe, Drayton, Drayton-Basset, Bangley Park, the "Tolleboth" at Farysley, Tamworth, Rybbysford, Lympesham, Bereham, Norton-Becheham, Sandeford, Paynyswike, Murton-Valans, Meddesle, Longdon, Asshereyney, Trenesquyte, Avell, Tornock, Bempston hundred, Edysley, Chaddesley-Corbett, Bristow.

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6125. ANCIENT COPIES OF THE STATUTES.

R. O. Petition of John Lucas, Esq., to the King, setting forth that Will. Delahyde, a native of Ireland and student of the Inner Temple, London, had borrowed of the petitioner, "about Midsummer was twelve months," a book which contained Glanvylle's Works, with St. Edward's Laws, the Danes' Law, the West Saxon Law, the Marchen Law, Magna Charta, the Charter of Henry I., "the Observing of the Testament of William Conqueror by king William Rufus, divers other old statutes, the changing and transferring of the sees of bishoprics in old time, divers ancient stories of king Kanutus," &c., which was to be returned at Michaelmas; but Delahyde having died that summer of the sweating sickness, Jas. Dudall, who came into possession of his goods, refuses to restore it, having, as the petitioner thinks, conveyed it into Ireland. If it be not recovered it will be "a great loss to your Majesty and to your whole realm of England, by the loss of such necessary memorials as are contained in the said book, the like whereof your said subject, who hath seen very ancient things, did never see nor read, and he verily thinketh, without the said book they be not to be seen nor read; and for the most part of the contents in the said book, they were not unwritten since king Henry the Third his time." Prays that Dudall be summoned to appear before the Council on the subject.

On parchment.

6126. CHRISTOPHER COO.

R. O. Mutilated draft of an indenture between Christopher Jenye and Chr. Coo, in which the former covenants to give the latter his counsel when required, and that Coo shall peaceably occupy of him the farm of North Roughton. All ambiguities to be settled by Thos. Jermyn and Thos. Cromwell, Esq., by counsel of Sir Ric. Broke, chief baron of the Exchequer, and John Spylman, serjeant-at-law.

A roll of paper, imperfect at the beginning; with corrections in Cromwell's hand.

6127. CASE OF DIVORCE.

R. O. Henry Byrd, of Coventry, contracted marriage eight years ago, *per verba de præsenti*, with Margery Pysford; but the latter afterwards unlawfully contracted marriage *de facto* with Will. Norton, who thereupon obtained letters inhibitorial against them both, from the audience of Will. archbishop of Canterbury, to prevent its solemnization. On this the said William and Margery withdrew from Coventry to Balsall, Cov. and Lich. dioc., and were married at the chapel of Temple Grafton, without any licence from Ric. Shirley, curate of their own parish church of St. Michael's, Coventry, or any dispensation, or publication of banns. Bird then obtained a citation against them before John Cocks, LL.D., and brought three witnesses to prove the marriage, the parties making default. At Bird's petition, Cocks sequestered the said Margery in the house of Julian Nethermyll, mayor of Coventry; but she and Norton violated the sequestration, as they also did a second sequestration at the house of Will. Wygeston at Leicester. A third sequestration was then ordered, under pain of excommunication, in the house of John Heryng, in Paternoster Rowe, London, till the cause should be determined. Cocks then declared a true marriage between Henry and Margery, and separated the said William and Margery. The latter applied to Miles Spenser, canon of York, to obtain a commission from Rome to Geoffrey Wharton,* LL.D., then canon of St. Paul's, London; but the commission confirmed Cocks' sentence. The said William and Margery then obtained

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from John Clerici, auditor of the Rota, letters of inhibition to Cocks and Bird to proceed no further, and caused the latter to be cited before Clerici four or five years ago, during all which time the case has remained undecided, allowing the said William and Margery to go on living in adultery. The process on the last appeal to the Rota is said to have been burned by reason of the wars between the Pope and the Emperor.

Lat., pp. 10.

6128. SYON.

R. O. "Expences of the lady Abbess of Syon's counsel in riding to Fellsted in the xxjth year of king Henry the VIII."

At London, outward and homeward, 10*s.*; at Rumford, outwards, 4*s.* 4*d.*; Chemysford, outward, 7*s.* 8*d.*; Fellsted, (for shoeing,) 6*s.*; Chemysford, (homeward,) 5*s.* 10*d.*; Brondwod, 4*s.* 8*d.*; Romford, (homeward,) 5*s.* 10*d.*

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R. O. 2. Another copy.

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6129. FOR SIR MARMADUKE CONSTABLE.

R. O. Form of a bill to be signed by the King, granting him the manors of Atwyke, Sutcotes, Drypole, Sutton and Stanfery, Yorksh., on Wolsey's attainder.

P. 1, *large paper.*

6130. SHROPSHIRE.

Cleop. F. VI. 351. B. M. Extracts, in a modern hand, from the Book of the Benevolence of Shropshire, 21 Hen.VIII.

"Ex libro in recepto scaccarii in custodia D. Arturi Agard."

Sir Gilbert Talbot, Thos. Wildecote, commissioners.

Total, 503*l.* 7*s.*

6131. CARDINAL'S COLLEGE.

R. O. Copy of pleadings in a case of taking cattle in the manor of Excet, which belonged to Cardinal's College, Oxford.

Lat., pp. 3.

6132. ROYSTON PRIORY.

R. O. Lease by Robert White, prior of Royston, to Edmond Bredilhaugh, of Fornset, in Norfolk, of the manor and parsonage of Codenham, Suffolk. Dated —— 21 Hen.VIII.

Draft, pp. 5, *large paper.*

6133. E. NEVYLL to CROMWELL.

R.O. Understands he is good master to a poor man, Oswald Dagges, whom one Fransses has defeated of his inheritance. Had a conference with him, along with Master Recorder, in Stephen's Chapel, "werre the onkoll of this mane hade dellyver me xx^{ti} *li.*, for to common with the syde Fransses Alle." He was willing to take 80*l.*, which they thought too much.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the rythe worssipefull Master Cromwell, with my lord Cardenalles goode grasse. *Endd.*

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6134. [SIR ROB. WINGFIELD to HENRY VIII.]

R. O. John Bartelett, of your Highness' retinue, has presented to me, your deputy, and the council of this town, your letters patent granting him the passage between this and Dover. The mayor and his brethren complain that this is contrary to a charter granted to them by Edward III., and confirmed by the King, which they showed to the duke of Norfolk, lord Rochford, and Master Pallett, your controller. They have written about it to the King.

Draft, with corrections in Wingfield's hand, p. 1. *Endd.*

6135. GRANTS in DECEMBER 1529.

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GRANTS.

1. Ant. Harrison, draper, of Coventry. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. York Place, 8 Nov. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 Dec.—P.S.

3. Thos. Daldrowynd, *alias* Dalton, Daldron, or Dauton, brewer, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clifforde, vice-captain of Berwick. Greenwich, 20 Nov. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 Dec.—P.S.

3. Christopher Coo. Licence to export 200 wayes of beans or peas. Greenwich, 29 Nov. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 Dec. —P.S.

5. Robt. Kyrk, yeoman of the Queen's Chamber. To be bailiff of the manor of Totenham, Middx.; in the King's gift by the minority of Peter, s. and h. of Sir Wm. Compton, deceased, *vice* Roger Tussarde. York Place, 27 Nov. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 Dec.—P.S.

6. *Devon:* Baldwin Malet, Robt. Dillon, Tristram Henscott, and John Ford. Commission to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of John Whytyng. Westm., 6 Dec.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19*d.*

6. Wm. Corboulde, tanner, of Monkcilly, Suff. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Greenwich, 30 Nov. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 Dec.—P.S.

6. Walt. Walsshe, page of the Privy Chamber, and Elizabeth his wife. Grant, in survivorship, of the manor of Cherleton, *alias* Cherleton Camvyle, *alias* Charleton Cammyll, *alias* Southeherleton, Somers. York Place, 1 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 23.—— *Vacated . . . . Oct. . . Hen.VIII. and a fresh patent granted* 3 *Nov.* 23 *Hen.VIII.*

7. Thos. Twynne, barber, late of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. Greenwich, 27 Nov. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm.—P.S.

8. Hen. Loveles, mercer, late of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfeld. Greenwich, 17 Nov. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 8 Dec.—P.S.

9. Sir Geo. Throgmerton. To be bailiff of the lordship of Hatton, Warw., and keeper of Haseley park, Warw., on surrender of patent 2 Sept. 20 Hen.VIII., granting the said offices to Roger Radclyff, gentleman usher of the Chamber. York Place, 6 Dec. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 9 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 10.

10. Elizabeth, widow of John Buttes, of Middleton, near Lynne, Norf. Reversal of waive. Greenwich, 12 Nov. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 21.

11. Wm. Ratcliff. Lease of a close called Thorpelande, adjoining the lordship of Moulton, parcel of Warwick's lands, Northt., on the expiration of the lease granted by Sir Edw. Belknapp to Edw. Hasilwood; for 21 years, at the annual rent of 10*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, and 13*s.* 4*d.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 11 Dec. 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

13. Sir Francis Bryan. To be keeper of the new park of Istelworth, Middx., *alias* the New Park of Richmond, with 3*d.* a day; *vice* Sir Wm. Tyler, deceased. York Place, 9 Dec. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 13 Dec. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

13. John Pulter, scholar, of Cambridge. Pardon for having killed Edm. Wilson in Christ's College, Cambridge. Westm., 13 Dec.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 35.

13. John Poulter, of Browcton, Hunts, yeoman. Pardon for all offences committed before 1 June 19 Hen. VIII. York Place, 2 Dec. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 13 Dec. —P.S.

14. Thos. Secote, clk. Constat and exemplification (in consequence of the loss of the original, as sworn by Walter Lambert,) of the enrolment of patent 21 Nov. 14 Hen. VIII., being a grant of denization to the said Thos. Westm., 14 Dec.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 5.

15. John Schayff, chaplain, native of Cardona, in the bpric. of Treves, Germany. Denization. York Place, 6 Dec. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 15 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 8.

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16. Commission of the Peace.

Beds.:—Sir Thos. Moore, chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, J. bp. of Lincoln, Wm. prior of St. John's of Jerusalem in England, Edm. lord Braye, Sir Rob. Brudenell, Ric. Lyster, chief baron of the Exchequer, Sir Hen. Grey, Sir John Mordaunt, Sir Francis Bryan, Sir Wm. Gascoign, Sir Mich. Fyssher, Walter Luke, Wm. Marshall, Thos. Fitzhugh, Nich. Hardyng, Peter Baron, Simon Fitz, and Geo. Akeworth. Westm., 16 Dec.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 2*d.*

17. John Byfeelde, *alias* Fyfelde, of St. John's Street, Middx., butcher. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clifford, vice-captain of Berwick. York Place, 12 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 Dec. —P.S.

17. Sir Geo. Throkmerton. Wardship of Thos. s. and h. of Thos. Lovet, deceased. York Place, 7 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 10.

20. Sir Wm. Musgrave, knight of the Body. To be marshal of the town of Berwick; granted to Thos. Strangwisshe, 18 Hen. VIII., who succeeded Sir Thos. Foster. York Place, 18 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 10.

20. Sir Edw. Goldeford. Grant of the government and conduct of all men able for war dwelling in the seven hundreds of Kent, and the parishes of Tenterden, Gowderst, Stapelherst, and the island of Oxney, Kent. York Place, 12 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 10.

21. Francis Bygod. Livery of lands as kinsman and heir of Sir Ralph Bygod, viz., s. and h. of John Bygod, s. and h. of the said Sir Ralph; and kinsman and heir of Peter de Malo lacu and of Peter s. and h. of the said Peter, and of Margaret wife of the said Peter, the son; on all the possessions in England, Wales, and Calais, late of the said Sir Ralph; or of which Sir Wm. Eure, Edw. Gower, Rob. Conyers and Thos. Constable, of Stytnam, and Sir Marmaduke Constable, Hen. Bygod, Peter Bygod, Ranulph Pygot, Sir Wm. Ingelby, Jas. Strangways and Thos. Strangways were, at the time of Sir Ralph's death, trustees to his use. York Place, 21 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 21 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 28–30.

21. Anth. Knevet, gentleman usher of the Privy Chamber. Licence to export 200 wayes of beans. York Place, 19 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 21 Dec.—P.S.

22. Thos. Haselrige, of Noseley, Leic. Pardon for all devastations of houses and enclosures of lands in the town of Noseley, and elsewhere. Also release of two recognizances, one for 200*l.* made 30 Nov. 12 Hen. VIII., and the other for 100*l.* made 2 Dec. 18 Hen. VIII. *Dated* 13 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 8.

22. John Cary, page of the Privy Chamber. To be steward of the lordships of Lammershe and Colnewake, Essex, and Bassyngborne, Kent, in the gift of the King by the death of Sir Wm. Tyler; with 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* a year. Westm., 22 Dec.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

22. Rob. Holton, yeoman, late of Bukfast, Devon, *alias* of Milcombe, Dors., *alias* of Winsham, Somers., *alias* of Weymouth, Dors. Pardon for all robberies, &c. of chattels belonging to the abbot and convent of Bukfast. York Place, 19 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 28.

Letters patent for the above.

22. Wm. Hunt, merchant, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clifford. Greenwich, 22 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 23 Dec.—P.S.

23. The customers, &c. of the port of London. Warrant to permit 50 tons of tallow out of the provision for the King's household to be exported annually. York Place, 20 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 23 Dec.—P.S.

23. Wm. Roper. Lease of the manor or burgage of Marlowe, with all lands belonging thereto, parcel of Warwick's lands, Bucks, now held by Tucher Bold, by virtue of patent 12 Nov. 7 Hen. VIII., for 21 years; with reservations, for the term of 21 years from 1536 on the expiration of the said Bold's lease, at the annual rent of 62*l.*, and 20*s.* increase. *Del.* Westm., *23 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 8.

26. John Reding, baker, of Hounslow, Middx. Pardon. Greenwich, 23 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 26 Dec.—P.S.

26. Sir Thos. Fitzgeralde, s. and h. of Gerald earl of Kildare and of Elizabeth Saintjohn, his wife. Licence to alienate the manors of Shenyngton, Glouc., Dunchurche, Tofte, Abindorset, Kingesford, Kyngton, Pakkars, Honely, and Blakwell, Warw. and Glouc., to the use of Margaret his wife, which manors were granted by patent 5 Nov. 2 Hen. VIII. to the said Gerald and Elizabeth, in tail male. Greenwich, 26 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. (*No date of delivery.*)—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 16. (*Undated.*)

29. Hen. Holden, yeoman of the Crown. Grant, in reversion, of the fee of the Crown, of 6*d.* a day, now held by Hugh Parker. York Place, 9 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 29 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 10.

* 24 on Patent Roll.

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2 Jan. **6136.** THOS. CHAFFYN, Mercer, of Sarum, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends, as desired by Cromwell, when he was with him in the Parliament House at Westminster, the bearer, John Acton, who was "your deputy this last year by the assignment of Mr. Dr. Benett for your office within the city of Sarum." Thinks Cromwell has been "as plainly and substantially discharged in that your said office as any gentleman in such like office" in England. Proposes that the mayor be appointed by Cromwell himself. Cromwell's thanks are due to Dr. Benett for appointing such an excellent deputy. Sarum, 2 Jan. 1529.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* Master Thomas Cromwell, dwelling nigh unto the Austin Friars in London, this be delivered.

3 Jan. **6137.** RIC. REYNOLD to CROMWELL.

R. O. Reminds Cromwell that he and Sir John Alen, Mr. Roche, and Mr. Withipoll have undertaken to be umpires between him and Mr. Leder. They have read the unreasonable demands, both in Leder's first book of thirty articles, in which he claimed of Reynold 5,374*l.*, and in his second book demanding 500 marks, in four articles, with Reynold's answers to each; on which they told Leder that his demands were unfounded. Nevertheless, he is not content, but has caused Reynold several times to be arrested, and obtained two writs of privilege out of Chancery against him. He got Thos. Bedford, whose soul God pardon, to copy a writing most untruly devised, in his own hand, and present it in Chancery; and though Bedford was at the time very ill, he left Leder's house and took sanctuary at Westminster, rather than maintain that damnable act. For discharge of his own soul, he called a notary, and drew up before witnesses an instrument which Cromwell has seen. The umpires know that Ric. Davy and John Whalley, whom they appointed to examine the books, reported that Leder owed Reynold 100*l.* 18*s.* 6¼*d.* Complains that he has been injured by Cromwell's former advice to compromise matters. Gives a statement of six claims mentioned in his letter to Withypoll of 5 July last, amounting in all to 193*l.* 3*s.* 6¼*d.* Leder ought also to pay all Bawdwyn's debts and legacies. London, 3 Jan. 1529.

Hol., pp. 4. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Thomas Cromwell, gent., this deliver in London. *Endd.*

5 Jan. **6138.** THE KING'S SHIPS.

R. O. Money received for the King by Thos. Germyn, clerk of the King's ships, between 26 Nov. 15 Hen.VIII. and 24 June 21 Hen.VIII., by divers indentures with Will. Gonson, John Hopton, Sir John Dauncy, Sir Hen. Wyatt, lord Lisle, and Sir Brian Tuke.

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ii. Payments by Thos. Jermyn, deputy to Thos. Spert, master of the *Henry Grace de Dw*, from 26 Nov. 15 Hen. VIII. to 1 Sept. 16 Hen.VIII.

The Henry Grace de Dew.—For wages and victuals of 75 shipkeepers keeping the ship in the haven at Portsmouth for 10 months, at the rate of 10*s.* 4*d.* a man per month, with two dead shares for the master, at 10*s.* a month, and one for the boatswain at 5*s.*

Similar payments by the same for *the Great Galley, the Mary Rose, the Gabriel Royal, the Peter Pomegernet, the Great Barbara, the John Baptist,*

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the Mary George, the Mary John, the Great Bark, the Less Bark, the Mary James, the John of Greenwich, the Mary Grace, the Bark of Murlles (Morlaix), the Less Pinnace, the Primrose, the Minion, and *the British Prize,*—all kept in the haven of Portsmouth for part of the above period.

For three ropers mending the cables and tackle of the ships, wages from 15*d.* to 2*s.* 6*d.* a week; their victualling, 15*d.* a man per week.

For ship-keepers at Portsmouth, who came from Bristol in *The Minion* and *The John of Greenwich,* and were taken into the King's ships, for three weeks, from 3 Dec. 15 Hen.VIII.

Wages of masters and mariners at Portsmouth, from 2 Sept. 16 Hen.VIII. to 16 March.

The same, from 17 March 16 Hen.VIII. to 21 Dec. 17 Hen.VIII.

The same, to 25 Oct. 18 Hen.VIII.

The same, to 14 Feb. 18 Hen.VIII.

The same, to 14 July 19 Hen.VIII.

The same, to 16 Jan. 19 Hen.VIII.

The same, to 24 June 20 Hen.VIII.

The same, to 6 Jan. 20 Hen.VIII.

The same, to 23 June 21 Hen.VIII.

The same, to 5 Jan. 21 Hen.VIII.

Total of wages and victuals for the King's ships at Portsmouth, 3,691*l.* 5*s.* 0½*d.*

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R. O. 2. Stuff provided by Thos. Jermyn for certain specified repairs on the *Henry Grace de Dwe,* and payments for wages and victuals of carpenters and calkers, hedging and ditching and making gates for enclosing nine acres bought for the King, on which the dock and storehouses are made. Wages for making a new dock "for the grounding of the *Mary Rose,* the *Peter Pomegarnet,* and the *John Baptist,*" laborers at the dock and the storehouse at Portsmouth, called the Long House, making "vices" for winding aground the King's ships, and for bringing the *Gabriel* from Portsmouth into Hamble Water, and so into a dock at Bristilton; from the 25 June 18 Hen.VIII.

Spikes, at 1½*d.* a lb., for the scaffolds. Nails, at 5*d.* to 20*d.* the 100. Oakum, 9*s.* 4*d.* a cwt. Pitch, 5*s.* 4*d.* a barrel. Thrums, to make maples, at 2*d.* a lb. Board, 2½ and 3 inches [thick], at 6*s.* 8*d.* per 100.

Carpenter's wages, 6*d.* a day, and their servants, 4*d.* a day. Meat and drink for carpenters and caulkers, at 1*s.* 6*d.* a man per week. Beer, at 8*s.* a pipe. Bread, 12*d.* a dozen. Beef, 6*s.* a qr. 3 sheep, at 2*s.* 6*d.* each. Conduct money for 12 carpenters, 1*d.* a mile per man. Sawyers, 4*d.* a day. Purchase money of the nine acres of ground, 9*l.*, paid to 11 proprietors. For hedging and setting three quicksets, 57 perches long, at 6*d.* a perch. Thorns, 2*d.* a load. Carriage to the water side, 4*d.* a load. For 1,000 stakes, at 10*d.* per 100. 500 "eythers" for the said hedge, at 7*d.* per 100. Timber for gates, at 12*d.* a ton; for felling six trees, 1*s.* 6*d.* Hooks and staples, at 1½*d.* a lb.

ii. Stuff bought for the repair of the *Lesse Bark* at Portsmouth in 18 Hen. VIII., with payments for carpenters' wages, beginning Feb. 16 Hen.VIII.

iii. Payments of laborers at the dock where the *Henry Grace de Dieu* lies, at divers times when the water broke into the dock, beginning 28 March 18 Hen.VIII. Others, 4 June 19 Hen.VIII. Laborers making dock for the *Mary Rose,* &c., beginning 28 Feb. 18 Hen.VIII., 2*d.* a man each tide. And again, from 3 June 19 Hen.VIII.

iv. Carpenters searching and trimming the *Gabriel Royal* to bring her from Portsmouth to Hamble, 12 Aug. 19 Hen.VIII. To men that came to help to man the capstans, 2*d.* a man each tide. Two men helping to stop the leak, 6*d.* a man each day. 26 young elms to shore the ship in dock. 13*s.*

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Carriage to the waterside, 2*s.* To nine men of Hamble working the pumps 3 days and nights, at 6*d.* a man, day and night. Victuals to 200 men of the country to man the capstans, and wind up the ship into her dock, 22 July. 10*s.* reward to the patron of the Palamonta for 40 "rargosses," with their two boats helping to tow the ship up into dock.

v. Laborers appointed by viscount Lisle to help the King's gunners at Portsmouth to get the guns from the walls into the storehouses, with wages of gunners from 4 to 14 March 19 Hen.VIII.

vi. For the repair of the *Mary Rose.* Of the *Peter Pomegranate.* Of the *John Baptist* in June and July 19 Hen.VIII.

vii. For the repair of the King's two "cley bottys" in July 19 Hen.VIII. For the repair of the *Minion* in July 19 Hen.VIII.

viii. For carpenters and others mending the storehouse, 17 June 19 Hen.VIII.

ix. Thatchers and others working on the Long House at Portsmouth, 3 Oct. 19 Hen.VIII.

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R. O. 3. Payments by Thos. Jermyn, master of the *Mary Rose*, for wages and victuals of the King's ships in the Thames, from 17 March 16 Hen.VIII. to 5 Jan. 21 Hen.VIII., viz. :—

To Wm. Eton, keeper of the *Trinity Ditton*, for four ship-keepers during four months, at 10*s.* 4*d.* a man per month. To Cornelius Donyvan, keeper of the *Minion*, John Derant, keeper of the *Mary Bullen*, Edward More, keeper of the *Mary Imperial*, and Thos. Come, keeper of the *Bark of Morlles*, for like payments.

Wages and victuals to the keepers of the *Trinity Ditton*, the *Bark of Murlles*, the *Minion*, the *Swallow*, the *Sweepstake*, the *Great Pinace*, the *Mary Bullen*, the *Mary Guildford*, the *Katharine Galley*, the *Maudlen*, of Deptford, the *Mary Imperial*, and the *Less Pinace*, for six months, beginning 7 July 17 Hen.VIII. to end 21 Dec.

The same, from 22 Dec. 17 Hen.VIII. to 5 July 18 Hen.VIII.
The same, from 6 July 18 Hen.VIII. to 22 Nov. 18 Hen.VIII.
The same, to 6 June 19 Hen.VIII.
The same, to 19 Dec. 19 Hen.VIII.
The same, to 4 July 20 Hen.VIII.
The same, to 6 Jan. 20 Hen.VIII.
The same, to 23 June 21 Hen.VIII.
The same, to 5 Jan. 21 Hen.VIII.
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ii. Stuff provided for the repair of the King's ships in the Thames, 15 May 19 Hen.VIII., with wages of carpenters and victuals, &c.
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5 Jan. **6139.** JOHN CURAT to CROMWELL.

R. O. Is obliged to write to him, as he knows not to whom else to apply. The bishop of Norwich is distressing him with suits; and this Christmas has set up a citation on Christchurch door in Norwich, and other places in his diocese, ordering archdeacon Thos. Winter to appear before him. Encloses a copy, and asks him to inform others whose interest it is. Will have to leave the country unless some remedy is found. Expects every day to be openly cursed. Is warned by the Bishop *in judicio* to pay money to none but him. "He is a devilish man." Norwich, Twelfth even, 1529.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c. Mr. Cromwell, dwelling ayenst the Austen Friers gate in London. *Endd.*

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6 Jan. **6140.** [GHINUCCI to ———.]

Vit.B.xiii.16. "Duplicata."

B. M. *Copia literarum Croci.—Reverende, etc. Nullus est dies . . . . cum aliquo aut fratre aut Judeo sum collocutus, aut [in biblio]tecis sum versatus. Inveni autem in bibliothe[ca S. Joha]nnis et Pauli Biblia Greca usque ad Ruth, inclu[sive, cum commen]tariis Grecis multorum et diversorum doctorum. Inveni e[tiam episto]las Pauli Grecas cum commentariis, et Chrisostomum Grecum. Inveni aliqua in bibliis illis [quæ cau]sæ meæ faciunt, et credo esse multo plura, sed opus est . . . . denda tam multa loca quam mihi evolvenda assignat doctor S[toksleius. Ne]scio an talem librum sim inventurus Rome. Propterea consilio vestro illum puto dimittendum e mamibus* (sic) *sed no . . . . eo legendi plus temporis duarum horarum, idque mane, quod si [possem ha]bare* (sic) *librum illum domi meæ multo plura fecissem quam feci, et i . . . . verbo impetrare potuisset aut dominus* $^{20}_{g}$ *aut dominus prothonota[rius] . . . . . ca maggepere (magnopere) mirari cogor nescio dixerim inhumanitatem poti . . . . . diam an fastum an omnia* $^{20}_{g}$ *gnarus cujus venio nuncius lic . . . . lli citus non modo nihil juverit sed etiam contempserit adeo me . . . . biduum c[e]teras suas frustra fecerit. De biblio[theca Vene]ta nihil possum impetrare, nec scio quorum medio ducem [et senatores] resollicitarem. Doctissimus vir Victor Faustus . . . . e et cum senatu et principe de inspicien[da] . . . e narra * * *

. . . . et idem tamen sperat mandatum iri sibi ut eum pro* $^{1}_{g}$ *Reg. Franciæ eruat quod . . . . et Nazianzenum pro me extracturum est pollicitus; credoque id polli . . . . pro cibis domini prothonotarii, qui discedenti a[d] edes suas obtrudere mihi [vo]luit habitandas, nunc tamen ad ministrum scripsit ut mihi alias . . . . . adventum reliquorum oratorum prospiciat qui non tam sapiens quam esse de . . . . aut ex consilio domini ut intelligam me ab ipso contemptum id . . . . modo judicavit etiam non modo non tamen tanto illic sed plane sæpe an[tea in]time illic habitaturum; hæc est humanitas et officium et diligen[tia] . . . . . que mihi in principis mei causa illorum magnifica magnificentia exibet . . . . . sed de his satis. Judeos aliquot conveni qui nassant (narrant) a Rabinis suis prohibitum . . . . ne ducant modo ut in casu meo quod multum pro me facit. Inveni etiam in biblioteca Johannis et Pauli Nazianzeni opus sed non epistolas; in[veni] etiam Basilii epistolas.* Bene valeat R^da^ D. Vestra, cui me suppliciter commendo.

. . . . oroque ut et dispensationum apud Papam et ut licterarum ad Foxum de caritate rerum Romanarum, atque ob augendas idcirco dietas meas velitis meminisse. Die sexta Januarii, Venetiis.

Hol. Cipher undeciphered. Mutilated.

Ib. f. 20. 2. Duplicate of the above; also in cipher undeciphered, and mutilated.

10 Jan. **6141.** DAN RICHARD NORTON to ———.

R. O. "Right worshipful Sir, my duty remembered, and as unacquainted, I heartily recommend me unto you." Hopes he will be good master to him, "a poor religious man, a monk of the house of Brewehorne, in the county of Oxford," who has been three-quarters of a year prisoner in the Fleet by order of my lord Cardinal. Was accused of bringing the plate of his house to London to the abbot of Garyngton. The plate was in reality pledged to a Mr. Horne, of Oxfordshire, now deceased, and redeemed by the abbot of Garyngton, who delivered it to the house of Brewhorne. Denies stealing the convent seal, or doing anything prejudicial to his house. In the Fleet, Monday after Twelfth day.

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11 Jan. **6142.** CHARLES V. to ARCHDUKE FERDINAND.

Lanz, I. 360. Acknowledges congratulations on the birth of his second son. Hopes Ferdinand's queen will have a boy. De Praet is despatched to France.

Ferdinand's second letter is of great importance. Charles admits the cogency of his arguments from his point of view, but there are others no less weighty from his own. States reasons for and against making a truce with the Turk, and advises him to make it. Among other things, mentions that the business of his aunt, the queen of England, may be the cause of new wars; nevertheless, as the Pope has assembled the ambassadors of all Christian powers for an enterprise against the Turk, it might be well, if Ferdinand can afford it, to make the truce only till March next, that people might not say we were negotiating a peace and an expedition at the same time. Advises him how he may do this without making the Turk think that he is in fear of him, but by sending a secret messenger in the first place make it appear as if the Turk opened the negotiations.

As to his urgency that the Emperor should come to Germany, wishes his opinion whether he ought to take his crowns on this side Rome in order to repair thither the sooner, or if he should go to Rome, and defer the journey to Germany till May or June; or whether, if the affairs of Germany will permit, he should go to Naples first, and after visiting Germany make the round by Flanders into Spain, so that he would have no further occasion to visit Italy. Three points must be regarded in relation to this: first, the causes of his departure from Spain; secondly, what has taken place since he left; third, how to carry out his object under the circumstances. Has already informed him touching the first point, and how he left Spain, contrary to the opinion of several persons, and not so well furnished as he ought to have been. Had he remained, is convinced that peace would never have been made by those who ought to make it, nor would the war ever have been finished by those who ought to finish it. Secondly, his coming was the only chance of putting an end to the heresies in Germany, else there might have been a danger of their attempting to make another King of the Romans. Thirdly, he was also influenced by a desire to visit his kingdom of Naples, which is so much devastated, if the affairs of Germany would have permitted it, or, if not, to send thither, and, if possible, go there on his return. Having war on all hands, he must endeavour to make treaties with some; and if he had any choice, he would begin with Italy in making war upon France. If not, he would begin with France in order to make peace afterwards in Italy, for he sees no prospect of conquering it, and, even if he left it, this would be a cause of perpetual war to him. Wishes, moreover, to have the Pope's friendship, such as it is, and to "entertain" him (*l'entretenir*), which will be very difficult, as he wishes to be lord in Italy ("vuillant seignorier l'Ytalie"). Was also afraid of a sudden invasion by the Turk.

As to what has taken place since his departure:—First, the army, which had no wish for his coming, was not ready in time, and he had to spend two months' wages there, which he might have spent here without wasting time. Then, twenty days after he embarked at Savona, came news of the peace with France, which, though a good thing, changed all his purposes. Had also heard from Ferdinand that the Turk was not coming (all which gave him more leisure to attend to the affairs of Italy), otherwise he would at once have entered the Venetian territory to be nearer Ferdinand. Afterwards, when he received Ferdinand's repeated messages about the success of the Turk, Charles made all haste hither, and, instead of speaking in the way he intended, was obliged to show himself desirous of peace. Meanwhile came news of the retreat of the Turk. The Pope had already arrived by the Emperor's request; and as the season was so advanced, and as he did not expect the winter would have been so mild, he

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could not withdraw, especially as he had declared his inclination for peace. The enterprise of Florence was accordingly determined on, and it is said that in fifteen or twenty days all the necessary arrangements will be completed. Charles will therefore leave in twelve days for Genoa. All his men here are needed for the enterprise; but, if he find it advisable, he can take his crowns earlier, and go over into Germany.

The king of England is on the point of abandoning our aunt without the Pope's consent. Perhaps, if he sees that I am at peace in Italy, he and the king of France will beware of creating new war. Even if they did, I shall still be in better condition than when I left Spain. For, besides having Naples undisturbed (*le reaulme nect*), I have 12,000 Spaniards and 9,000 Germans in Italy, which I can keep up until April. Besides, things may turn up: Florence may come to terms; and the duke of Ferrara is about to agree with the Pope. You may imagine how in Spain they abhor what I have spent upon Italy.

They say the king of England already holds his mistress as his wife, and maintains that, whether the Pope will or no, he will make her so. He treats the Pope as a heretic, and says he might be degraded. On one hand, the Pope would not consent, the affair being too scandalous; on the other, he does not like to incur disgrace and the loss of Henry's obedience. Suspects he will commit some folly. In any case this will be a sufficient cause of new war. I believe Francis aids in it, and is doing all he can with the Venetians, duke of Milan and others, to set us two at war. Andrea Doria's term of service ends in May or June, but I hope to retain him longer. If, however, there were any conspiracy against me, they would try to gain him. Explains to his brother his future movements, which will depend upon circumstances. If the peace endure, and Ferdinand find the affairs of Germany insecure with regard to the heresies and his election, it might be advisable for him to gain time by giving them gentle words, and assuring them of a General Council, especially if there should be any danger of war between the king of England and the Emperor in case of his repudiation of the Queen, and not doing her justice, because he considers the Pope a partial judge for not granting his demands. Bologna, 11 Jan.

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12 Jan. **6143.** ROBERT ——— to RICHARD [CROKE].

Vit. B. XIII. 43. B. M.

"Frater carissime." Has nothing to reply to his letters. Praises his work, and exhorts him to proceed. Will write more fully in a short time. It seems that he will not leave the place where he is now. Nothing has yet been done about the dispensations. Has already written that the office which he desired has been obtained. Bologna, 12 Jan. 1530.

Lat., p. 1. *Copy by Croke. Mutilated.*

12 Jan. **6144.** WM. CHAPMAN.

His will. Proved 12 Jan. 1530. Printed in Nicolas' Testamenta Vetusta, p. 647.

14 [Jan.] **6145.** [GHINUCCI] to [ALEANDER ?]

Vit. B. XIII. 42 b. B. M.

Understood by the letters of John of Flanders* that your fatherhood, besides other kindnesses, had obtained permission for him to have books from St. Mark's library. Thanks him for his kindness to his friend, for whom he has great affection. Nothing will gratify him more than the privilege of seeing the books. He is so devoted to literature that he hardly takes pleasure in anything else. His cause is urgent, and he needs the suffrages of theo-

* Croke's assumed name.

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logians, such as [Aleander]; that is, of those who are both learned and good. Asks him to obtain subscriptions to his writings for John of Flanders, and to transmit them to the Bishop; and promises his services in return. Bologna, 14 [Jan.]

Lat., p. 1. *Copy by Croke.*

14 Jan. **6146.** THOS. FRYSBY, Canon of Launde Abbey, to CROMWELL.

Titus, B.I. 353. B. M. Ellis, 1 Ser. II. 20.

Reminds him that at his last being at Launde Abbey he had promised to talk with the canon and his brethren about their business. Has had a fall in the snow, and by the same token sends him six cheeses. Cromwell need not give the prior any thanks for the same. Launde Abbey, 14 Jan.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* "To the right worshipful Mr. Cromewell."

16 Jan. **6147.** JOHN STOKESLEY to [the EARL OF WILTSHIRE].

R. O. St. P. VII. 227.

Your goodness towards me has bound me to you for life. On the 15th your son took his journey to the French king, "now being ten leagues beyond Troyes, in his journey towards Digion," waiting for Barlow, and for such remedies as we have devised for staying the authority of Dr. Beda, and the fury of the unlearned Spaniard, Dr. Petre Garray, who has circulated a bill, drawn up by Beda, notwithstanding the admonition of the Great Master, against our opinion, and circumvented some of the Doctors. They have, however, recanted, and we are sure of the congregation of the faculty. The Great Master and Mons. Longis (Langeais) excused themselves for their long deliberation, as fearing the Emperor might make use of this device to delay the deliverance of the French king's children. We would rather have their help now than when they have their desires, for by this means our enemies have undermined many, but if my Lord speed our desires we shall be able to bring them round, and even if the King (Francis) deny our requests, we trust to prevent further signatures against our opinions.

We have in our favor Valentinus Lemini, the inquisitor, and we are assured that if the cause come to the faculty, they will affirm that the Pope cannot dispense. If the French king or Lysott will show themselves to the faculty, the matter might pass in a month, though Lysott strongly favors the Pope.

We hear nothing of the return of the bp. of Bayonne from England, except that his horses have arrived. He sent such letters as he had to Mr. Poole, but none to us. It is necessary for us to have his brother, De Langes, with us. Paris, 16 Jan.

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18 Jan. **6148.** DATES OF PAPAL BREVES.

R. O.

Notarial attestation, made at the request of Sir Gregory Casalis, the English ambassador at Rome, of the mode adopted by the Apostolic Chancery for the dating of breves; viz., that the year is computed from Christmas Day. Dated Tuesday, 18 Jan. 1530, 7 Clement VII. *Sealed with the seal of the College of the Archives of Rome.*

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2. Two additional articles propounded on the King's behalf as to the different modes of computing the year in briefs and in bulls; viz., that in the former the year begins on the 26* December, and in the latter on the 25 March; and as to the form of marriage *per verba de præsenti* according to the usages of the Church and realm of England.

Latin on parchment, p. 1.

* So in MS.

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18 Jan. **6149.** RICHARD CROKE to [STOKESLEY].†

Vit. B. XIII. 13. B. M.

Has at last spoken to Hier[onymus] Aleander, who said that he alone had a true catalogue of the books, "ta[m Græcorum] quam Romanorum," and that 400 Greek volumes were missing from the Pope's library, "a [custode] suo scriptum." He says that the letters of Nazianzen are in the Pope's library, but not all, and not the book Croke [wants]. Aleander and Father Valerian of Bergamo, a man learned in both languages, tell him that the bp. of Chieti has Nazianzen, Maximus Pla[nudes], Chrysostom, and the Rhapsodies. Stokesley has given him a list of the authors which he must read in Rome. The bp. of Verona has a copy of Greek commentaries. Both the bp. of Verona and Aleander have influence with the bp. of Chieti, but the latter does not wish Croke to say that he has obtained his information from him, though he promises his help, and will come in, as if by accident, when Croke calls on the Bishop, and pledge his word for Croke if the Bishop makes any difficulty. However, as he refuses to name a day, and will not allow Croke to see the catalogues or the Gregory which he boasted that he had with him, saying that they are in Apulia, and that Croke shall see them at Rome, does not think that he will do anything without money, or that he will even go to the Bishop without making a bargain.

Knows how impatient the King is; and as there is a chance that the books which are here are wanting at Rome, Croke asks for his advice as to whether he shall remain here to meet them, or go on to Rome. If the former, wishes him to write to ask the bp. of Verona to obtain leave of the bp. of Chieti for Croke to see his books; and also to write to both the Bishops to obtain leave of the senate of Venice for him to see the epistles of Nazianzen. Hopes to be able to obtain the Venetian Nazianzen by means of father Francis George, a theologian and Venetian noble. He alone has obtained leave for Croke to search the libraries "divi [Joannis] et Pauli, et ne eundo et redeundo nimis magnam faciam [jacturam] temporis, egit ut interposita consobrini sui fide mihi . . . . . permitterentur legendi. Scripsit hic idem pro p . . . . . et docte. Et ut hunc virum plenius c[ognoscas] est in lingua Hebraica do[ctus] . . . . . ut mihi fide * * * uti audio doctissime in Lutherum scripsit, et mihi apertissime constat . . . . . illum cum apud Venetos tum vero apud Patavinos theologos [æst]imationis;" so that we hope that all the Franciscan doctors, both of Venice and Padua, will subscribe his writings. At any rate his endeavours must be stimulated by praises and thanks, and even gifts. There is no doubt that he will be more energetic when he knows that it is the King's cause. The King wished him to encourage any one who might seem favorable to the cause, by such words as these, "Si ὁ βασιλεὺς sciret hanc opinionem vestram, certe conduceret operam vestram." Has not yet named the King, but has even concealed his own name and country, and will do so till he receives his correspondent's advice. The Jews tell him that the law of Deuteronomy has never been kept since the fall of Jerusalem, and, what Stokesley was very desirous to have confirmed, that it is not intended to be kept, except where it is allowed by the Levitical law, and they do not consider it obligatory except where causes and circumstances expressly urge it, and not even then is it absolutely obligatory. They say that it was always an alternative, either to marry the brother's widow, "vel pati discalciationem." Has letters on this point from two Jews,—one a physician and a rabbi, and the other a convert to Christianity. Will send them, with a copy of the book of Francis George, by the first messenger, and also the writings of any one else whom he thinks learned enough to consult.

At Padua, in the monastery of St. Justina, found the *Moralia* of Basil, his *Opera ad Monachos*, some discourses of Nazianzen, one a very large

† Dominatio vestra.

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one, and a *catena* of Greek commentaries on St. Luke. Has read all the heads of Basil and the other authors, and the commentaries on all the texts which Stokesley ordered him to search. Has found nothing in Greek, except St. Paul's Epistles, with the same commentaries that are found in the library of St. John and St. Paul at Venice, where he found the commentaries of many learned men on the Old Testament. It was impossible to look at all the places which Stokesley noted, for he was only allowed to remain two hours a day in the library, "sed hactenus nec multum in illis . . . . . re magnopere partes juvet nostras inveni . . . . . [Chrys]ostomus in Matthæum et Basilii epistolæ . . . . . os mihi legendos, quod dominatio vestra nihil ad meas quas per postam ante quartum De[cembris] diem ad eandem dedi responderit; accepisse enim non est dubium."

Casale has expostulated with him for not writing of the assistance which he has given Croke. One thing he did, which Croke has written, about Victor Faustus, whom Croke could not speak to, though he asked him 100 times. The Prothonotary wrote for him to D. de Lastampa; but if Croke were to call on him at Padua, as the Prothonotary advised, he would fill the whole town with the report of his arrival. Has, therefore, not been to see him, nor used his aid, finding that he could search the libraries without the help of any one. These men, while they wish to seem to do everything, either do nothing, or at least can do nothing. The Prothonotary showed him letters, which he said were the autographs of Paduan doctors who decide for the King, and said that he had been charged by the King to find out the opinions of theologians. Croke does not think he has done so; for when he opened the question to them, they were surprised, as at a thing they had never heard of, and they either answered that they had never seen anything on such a matter, or that they knew nothing; while the most prudent asked for time to consider. Judge, then, what he has done for the King, as Croke himself has already obtained one or two decisions. He says now that he was charged only to ascertain the opinions of theologians; but he asked Croke to come with him to the bishop of Chieti, and to take the King's part there, and thus discover the opinion of the Bishop. Answered that he had no such commission, and if the Bishop would execute his office, Croke would not be wanting. To make him the more anxious, said that he had found many and strong reasons for the King's side in the Greek commentaries. He prayed Croke to tell him what he had done, promising to give him similar information, and said that they would write jointly to the King. Answered that he would do nothing without the advice of his correspondent, for so he was ordered by the King. He then invited Croke to dinner, and even to come to his table every day. "Ego (quem sem[per] . . . . putans ædibus acceptum suis, nec acceptum tamen,) scripsera[m] . . . foris protrudendum, non committam ut id mihi rursum posset accid[ere,] maxime vero cum videam illum nihil pro rege fecisse. Vereor ut p[arum] tutus illic locus tractandis mihi negotiis regiis si . . . . . Et nollem ego principis mei causam mea temerit[ate] aut stultitia periclitari aut prodi. Hæc omnia pro ex[cusanda] nostra in regem fide vobis putavi aperienda; sed . . . . . ad ista conniveatis nec statim cum illis ex . . . . . occurratis difficultatibus commodi . . . . . meis querelis, vel mihi . . . . . per invidiam * * * . . . ram opus habuerimus pecunia, ut mihi per mercatores hic perspiciatis ne in discessu inopia mihi in mora sit."

Wishes to know what has been done about his and Foxe's dispensations and about his letters to Foxe for the increase of his diets. At Venice, in haste, "post Antonii ad vespera."

Has today received two letters from him, and expects the longer one. Reminds him that if he writes to the brothers to thank them for their conduct to him, he must not name him Croke, but Johannes Flandrensis,

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which name he has assumed, and he has feigned that the King's cause is his and his brother's, and concerns his patrimony. Asks him to obtain Foxe's dispensation as soon as possible, for then Foxe and Stephen will always commend him to the King. Does not wish Casale to do anything for Foxe, for he will do nothing for Croke; and if he does for Foxe, Croke's letters in praise of his correspondent's kindness, and blaming their (the Casales') pride and fraud, will be thought untrue.

Lat., draft, pp. 4.

19 Jan. **6150.** RICHARD CROKE to the PROTHONOTARY [CASALE].

Vit.B.xiii. 10. B. M.

Is glad to hear that St. Chrysostom's Greek Commentaries on St. Paul's epistles, the Annotations of Maximus Planudes on both Testaments, the works of Gregory of Nazianzum, and of other Greek authors on the Gospels, and a certain immense Rhapsody, are in the possession of the bishop of Chieti at Venice. Aleander, a most learned man, tells him that Nazianzen and four hundred other Greek volumes in the Papal library, of which he was keeper, are missing. It does not, therefore, seem advisable to go to Rome yet, as the books can be found here. Has seen, at Aleander's house, a very ancient Greek volume of Ecclesiastical Councils, and was told by him that Nazianzen's letters are in the library at Venice. Requests the Prothonotary to obtain access to the library for him, from the Senate. Asks him to write and let him know what he has done. From my house, 19 Jan.

Draft, p. 1, *Lat.*

19 Jan. **6151.** AUGUSTINUS DE AUGUSTINIS to CROMWELL.

Tit. B. i. 365. B. M. Dyce'sSkelton, ii. 373.

Desires Dr. Butts or Walter (Cromer) may be sent to the Cardinal. Requests him to speak to Balthasar (the physician) to obtain some leeches. No time must be lost. The doctors are also to bring some vomitive electuary. From Asher, 19 Jan. 1529.

Hol., Italian. Add.

20 Jan. **6152.** CHARLES V. to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

Add. MS. 26,053, f. 1. B. M.

Desires her to give letters patent to Jehan Baptiste Naturelli, nephew of the provost of Utrecht, for the deanery of Envers (Antwerp), which Banissis has resigned. Boloingne, 20 Jan. 1529. *Signed.*

Fr. Add.

At the foot is Margaret's order for the despatch of the patent. Malines, 22 Feb. 1529. *Signed.*

20 Jan. **6153.** RICHARD CROKE to the PROTHONOTARY [CASALI].

Vit.B.xiii. 10. B. M.

Asks him to write, and desire his brother to fulfil his promise about the dispensation. Will not enumerate all the books which he requires; but he wants, first, Basil's Questions; Nazianzen's Epistles; all Chrysostom's Greek works on the Scriptures; the Greek Book of Councils; all the Greek Commentaries on both Testaments, especially that called Rhapsodia or Cathena; and all the works of Maximus on both Testaments.

"Obsecro ut qua soletis diligentia omnia conficiatis, et quam brevissime poteritis omnium bibliotheca[rum] Venetiarum, maxime autem S. Marci, indices curetis [mihi] exhibendos; pudet enim tantillo . . . . . magnorum" * * *

Prays him to help as much as possible in his endeavors, and promises to report his kindness to the King. From my house, 20 Jan.

Has seen the library of Sts. John and Paul.

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20 Jan. **6154.** HENRY VIII. to HIE. [GHINUCCI] BISHOP OF WORCESTER and SIR GREGORY CASALE.

Vit.B.XIII.11. B. M. St. P. VII. 229.

Desires credence for Thomas earl of Wiltshire and Ormond, keeper of the Privy Seal, John Stokley, S.T.P., and Edward Lee, S.T.P., his ambassadors to the Emperor. London, 20 Jan. 1529. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

21 Jan. **6155.** COMMISSION TO TREAT.

R, O. Rym.XIV.354.

Commission to Thomas earl of Wiltshire, John Stokesley, Edward Lee, and William Benet, to treat with the Pope, the Emperor, the kings of France, Portugal, Poland, Denmark and Scotland, the doge of Venice, and the dukes of Milan and Ferrara, for a general peace, and for resisting the Turk. London, 21 Jan. 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

Lat., vellum.

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2. Commission to the same to treat with the ambassadors of the Emperor. London, 21 Jan. 1529. *Signed and sealed.*

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3. Protocol of conditions for the negociations for peace between the ambassadors of the Emperor, France and England.

1. Each ambassador shall be bound to obtain passports for the other's couriers. 2. No ambassador shall allow his courier to carry any letters but his own, or to write anything to his prince, prejudicial to another power, or likely to exasperate the war. 3. These conditions the Pope enjoins under pain of excommunication.

Lat., pp. 2.

22 Jan. **6156.** RICHARD CROKE to [GHINUCCI].

Vit.B.XIII.26. B. M.

Met yesterday Hieronymus Aleander and the prothonotary [Casale]. Wished to know what the latter had done for him in opening the libraries, and whether the former had written, as he promised, to the librarians at Rome, and whether he would conduct or follow Croke to the house of the bishop of Chieti, as had been agreed between them. Found him very cool, pleading want of time and ill-health as an excuse. During their conversation he told Croke that the prothonotary had questioned him closely as to what Croke had said to him, and whether he mentioned the King's marriage. Does not know the prothonotary's motive, but can divine it; for when Croke asked him what he had done, found that he had neither done nor attempted anything. He answered, indeed, that he would take care that tomorrow or the day after the catalogues of the libraries should be shown to him, and he desired Croke to give him the names of the books which he most wished to see. Did this on Wednesday and today. When Croke asked him to treat secretly with Aleander for him, concealing what he had heard from Aleander, he, betraying himself either from a sense of guilt or carelessness, said that Aleander had discovered that Croke was sent by the King. Denied this stedfastly; and he then said that Aleander had found it out from the questions which Croke put to him. Leaves it to him to consider what is the faithfulness or diligence of these brothers† for the King. Fears that as they have never seen Gregory, they will never show it to him, lest his diligence should disclose to the King their negligence.

Two Minorite doctors have subscribed the writings of Father Francis; and, if his correspondent thinks needful, all the Observant preachers will do the same. Their Order is of the greatest influence in England, and they have greatly opposed the King's cause there.

† Note in margin in a different hand: "Cassalis."

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Visited Aleander, who angrily denied having said what the prothonotary spoke of, and said he should immediately send his secretary to him to expostulate. Persuaded him not to do so, and asked him to write in his favor if the prothonotary wrote anything of the sort to the ambassadors. He hesitated, saying that Italian quarrels finished with the sword, and he was afraid of writing against them, as they were great personages; but if Croke would tell the bishop of Worcester, or one of the other ambassadors, to question him, he would speak the truth.

Does not wish this communicated to any one, nor any expostulations to be made with the Cassalis, lest they injure or hinder him.—Venice, Jan. 21. "Exemplar mearum ad Prothonotarium misi ut videas quemadmodum . . . . . Vulpizen, in cujus literis non admiscuissem regis nomen . . . . . segnitiem cui necesse esse ut hic . . . . . fidam ipse dixi . . . . . Sanctum Marcum et in ipsa biblioth[eca] * * * Græcorum plenam quandam invenimus," containing many works of the orators,—among others, Philo, Chrysostom and Dionysius. Has also found a very large Greek volume of epistles; but the author's name is lost, and they are not certain whether they are those of Basil or Nazianzen. Thinks they are the former, for some are to monks. Victor Faustus has not been found. Begs him to procure him money.

Saw yesterday the library of St. Mark, by help of Father Francis, and will be shown the catalogue today. If Croke wants any books, Father Francis will cause his nephew to give surety for him. He will also obtain for him a sight of the catalogue of St. Antony's, and has induced the bishop of Chieti to lend him the Rhapsody of Commentaries upon the Gospels. Has heard nothing as yet (22 Jan. at night) of the English ambassadors. Desires him to thank Father Francis, and to appoint some one to whom Croke can give the writings of the theologians. Wants the dispensation, for without it he cannot do what he is doing with a clear conscience, and is obliged to omit Stephen's business. Asks what reward he is to give. Mark Raphael, a learned Jew, has written most plainly on our side, and offers to defend his writings, which are in Hebrew, and have been translated by Father Francis.

Draft, pp. 2, Lat.

22 [Jan.] **6157.** [GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 17. B. M.

"*Scripsi ad majestatem vestram quod dederamus punc[ta omni]bus in jure [h]ic conductis, ut videlicet scriberent super qu[æstio]ne de qua agitur, utrum esset de jure divino. Postea responde[runt] de jure divino, et quod super hoc scribe[re]nt judicium seu con[silium qua]ndocumque voluerimus; sed ex quo punctus iste videtur parum habe[re diffi]cultatis, visum fuit expectare a majestate vestra inter[ea an] velit super aliis illos scribere, quia si nunc scribatur [de hoc] puncto nulla posset postea haberi. Ratio pecuniarum eis data [est ut] super aliis scripturi essent; quare statuimus expectare volun[tatem ma]jestatis vestræ, presertim cum, ex eo quod non missus est hu[c cursor] ut dictum fuerat, dubitamus an majestas vestra velit per [postam] res scribi, quod dubium nobis auxit dominus Paulus du . . . . . t . . . . mihi relatum est majestatem vestram nolle causam . . . . . canonum sed via theologiæ terminari. Unus ex his doctoribu[s vir magnæ] famæ dixit quod præter dictum punctum ei datum cogitat nonnul[la] ad propositum et favorem majestati[s] vestræ, quæ tamen non dec . . . . . dominus Benet, qui cum eo et aliis egit propterea quod ego non habebam . . . . . notitiam, et ipse dominus Benet fuerat eorum scolaris dixit . . . . . nullis conjecturis credere eum ad hoc tendere un . . . . . in dispensatione quam vidit expressam * * *

. . . . minnuisse non sperare posse absolute defendi quod Papa contra jus [divi]num non possit ex causa dispensare. Ego curavi ut tam isti quam . . . . [a]liis doctoribus diceretur, quod ego etiam uni ex eis dixi, quod si*

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. . . . lia eis ultra punctum datum in favorem majestatis vestræ succurrerent prout nobis communicarent quam aliquid scriberent ad quod pre . . . . a ea quæ supradixi. Induxit etiam me consideratio brevis de quo agetur. [Do]ctores hic conducti fuerunt interrogati an si voluerimus facient eorum consilia approbari per universitatem, et responderunt quod sic, [dummo]do consilia contineant veritatem; sed ego dubito quod non posset hoc tute tentari, quia dicunt iste (isti) hæc fieri debere per manus prioris universitatis. Prior autem est nunc Q[26], *et durat officium per sex menses; nihil tentabitur de hoc sine mandato majestatis vestræ [a] doctoribus Paduæ; expectamus brevi responsum a domino Prothonotario [cui] dum dubitaremus ne Papa tentaret ut pro defensione sui brevis scri[be]rent fuit datum in conmissis ut super supradicto puncto eos scrib[ere fa]ceret, videlicet quod prohibitio de qua agitur est de jure divino. [An]dreas scribit ad me invenisse fratrem cujusdam theologi quem sibi . . . . . ta dederam promisisse ei curare ut frater pro majestate vestra scri[beret]. Frater ad fratrem qui erat absens scribserat et indies e . . . . . s amicus meus qui est in dominio Venetorum (?) scribit ad me * * * quod sperat obtinere a quodam Hebræo docto ut scri[bet in causa] majestatis vestræ. Cito habebitur de utroque certitu[dinem]. Ille Sanctes qui est Lugduni fecit mihi significari misis[se lib]rum quem scripsit in causa majestatis vestræ quem adhu[c non recepi,] sed expecto eum de die in diem. Ex civitate Lucense . . . . . m mihi est appulisse. Cupio scire a majestate vestra . . . . . de ipso libro facere posquam ipsum habuero. Vigesima se[cunda] . . . . ."*

Cipher, undeciphered. Mutilated. Add.: Seren . . . . . .

24 Jan. Vit. B. XIII. 15. B. M.

6158. [GHINUCCI, BISHOP OF WORCESTER, to HENRY VIII.]

" A XV. diebus vel c[irciter] congregati sunt simul R. D. card. Farnesius, Anconitanus . . . . . et Cancellarius Cæsaris; et in principio dictum fuit quod cong[regabantur] ob res Turcarum, ut tractaretur de modo offendendi Turca[m et] ab eo se defendendi. Postea divulgatum est quod congregabant se [causa] majestatis vestræ; et unus vir gravis dixit mihi quod intendunt . . . . . mittere aliquem prælatum cum aliquibus theologis ad discutiend[um vestram] causam; et quoad prælatum, quod quærunt mittere D. Episcopum Veron[ensem. Dicunt] etiam aliqui R. D. Card. Campeggium tractare de causa majestatis [vestræ, et] sæpe facit se portari ad Papam et aliquando fuit cum Cæsare. *[Non] possum super his magis certe scribere ad majestatem vest[ram] . . . . . et sui cavent a me tanquam a servo majestatis vestræ; ali[quid] certi videtur posse haberi, nisi forte ab aliis majesta[tis vestræ] oratoribus, quos tamen pro majori parte puto hæc nescire, ... a me petierunt an hæc scirem, sed bene posset es[se quod unus] ex eis hæc et alia sciat, et putans forsam in hoc melius sar[vire majesta]ti vestræ cavet a me. Spero autem quod majestas vestra omnia [intelli]get; quod si sic, et fideliter prout credat, dum est veritas, ad [majestatem] vestram scribatur, bene erit. Audio a fidedigno quod [Cardinalis] Anconitanus cum ausilio cujusdam fratris foe . . . . . [Au]gustiniani et cujusdam doctoris cano[nici] * * * . . . . lorum no[n] minus [s]cribit in causa majestatis vestræ ulterius cio. [Bene spero quod majestas vestra particularius de hoc advisabi[tur] quia hæc non latent omnes alios prou[t] me,]† aliquis dixit mihi quod sc[ri]bit in justificatione illius brevis quod portavit isthuc domi[nus] Paulus. Credo quod dominus Benet scribet de hac re ad majestatem vestram [pa]rticularius et certius. Vigesima quarta Januarii."*

Cipher, undeciphered. Mutilated.

† This passage is cancelled in the original by the addition of other marks to the symbols.

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24 Jan. **6159.** [GHINUCCI to CROKE.]

Vit.B.XIII.43. B. M.

Has received his letters of the 18th, with letters to [Croke's] brother, [which] he hopes to send to him tomorrow. Cannot fully answer his letter, as he has no safe messenger. Does not send letters to him for Aleander, the bishop of Chieti, nor the bishop of Verona. He will know why from his next letters. It is possible that Aleander has writings in Apulia, where he has a bishopric,† and where he has stayed for no small time. Will take care that nothing is untried, as far as he can; but the merchant refuses to pay. No provision nor letters yet appear. In answer to his request for counsel, advises him not to depart while there is any chance of assisting Stephen, for there is not as much hope at Rome as we thought.

Does not think there is much hope from the persons whom he mentions, except friar Francis. Does not advise him to use the words suggested by Stephen, to be used to any one favorably inclined, and does not think his name should be discovered otherwise than it is already. Will explain the reasons more fully in another letter, and will perhaps send some person to him. He must not communicate what he does to any one, however trustworthy; for any one might injure him by chance, or a slip of the tongue, without malice. "In præteritum nisi quod rogavi v . . . . . quod haberes aditum ad bibliothecam, nam hactenus non potueras h[abere] . . . . plus dixi, sed forsan aliqua arte aliter dictum est tibi . . . . . mercatorum quinquaginta areorum (*aureorum*) pro nunc spe . . . . . provisio quam expecto et tunc abundant . . . . . veniat non deero in providendo, etiam si necesse fuerit me equos [meos vende]re."

Wishes him to stop there while he can assist Stephen. Touching the dispensation for you and Foxe, Sir Gregory says that it was refused for eating flesh. Tried, himself, and was similarly refused. Has reminded Sir Gregory many times that he had said that the recital of the hours had been promised to him, and he always promised that he would do it. Has not yet got it, and dares not solicit it without him, lest he make the matter more difficult. Never saw any affair begun by him brought to a good end without him. Have sent your [Croke's] letters to Foxe, and written for provision for your diets, which may be expected soon. Will write to those brothers, as you wish, and will observe the rule of which you wrote. Is soliciting the penitentiary for him. Bologna, 24 Jan. 1530.

"Tuus frater notus."

"Receptæ, 4 die Februarii."

P.S.—Sends a schedule in the name of "your" servant, on account of what he said about his name. Does not know the titles of those to whom he wishes him to write, and sends the letters without superscription and open.

Lat., pp. 2. Copy by Croke. Mutilated.

24 Jan.§ **6160.** GHINUCCI to [ALEANDER.]‡

Vit. B. XIII. 42 b. B. M.

Thanks him for his kind reception of his friend, John of Flanders (Croke). Feels an affection for him in consequence of his rare virtues, and will consider as done to himself any kindness to him.

Asks him to assist John of Flanders in obtaining access to libraries there, especially the public one. It will be difficult for him as a stranger to obtain an entrance. Bologna, 24 [Jan.]§ 1530.

Lat., p. 1. Copy. In the hand of Croke.

† Brindisi. ‡ "Reverende pater." § From modern heading.

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24 Jan. **6161.** [RICHARD CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 7 b. B. M.

The bishop of Worcester (Ghinucci) has been treating with a learned theologian through his friends, and expects his writings daily. It is not advisable to attempt anything here in the King's cause while the Pope and Emperor are present. At their departure he will treat with the Jews, as Stoxley advised, and also with the theologians, whose favorable opinion he does not despair of gaining, as they are all Thomists. He will be careful not to show his connexion with Croke, and does not wish Croke to live with him either here or at Rome. He desires him, however, to dwell in his house at Rome during the Pope's absence, and here has provided him a house near his own. He advises him, to prevent suspicion, not to go straight to Rome, but to Padua first, to examine the opinion of the theologians there, and also the libraries at Venice. When at Rome will try to obtain the place of penitentiary, which will give him access to all libraries, as being the Pope's official, not the King's.

To show Stoxley's diligence, sends the King his instructions as to the writings which Croke must look through. Will consult the Jews there and at Padua. Complains of his poverty. His daily expences amount to three ducats, and at Rome everything is thrice as dear.

The bishop of Worcester advises him to live alone at Rome. Bologna, 9 cal. Feb.

Lat., Draft, mutilated, p. 1.

24 Jan. **6162.** EDW. FOX, [Provost of King's Coll. Camb.,] to [DR. BUCKMASTER,] the Vice-chancellor.

Dr. Lamb's Cambridge Documents, 14.

In consequence of complaints of the shameful contentions in sermons between Mr. Latymer and certain of St. John's College, the King intends to set some order therein, not greatly to the worship of the Vice-chancellor and the other heads of the University. Asks him to appease these contentions, so that no more complaints may be made. Probably those of St. John's are actuated by private malice toward Latymer, and animated by their master, Mr. Watson, and other friends of the bishop of Rochester. It is reported to the King that this malice is expressed because Latymer favors his cause. On the contrary, Latymer, perhaps, is more vehement than becomes the very evangelist of Christ, and purposely speaks paradoxes to offend and slander people; which Foxe thinks is not wise at the present time, nor like a good evangelist. Advises him to command both to silence until the King's pleasure is known, or some other way is found to reduce them to concordance. Remits the method to his and Mr. Edmonde's wisdom. London, 24 Jan.

24 Jan. **6163.** For SIR THOMAS BOLEYN, EARL OF WILTSHIRE.

P. S.

To be keeper of the Privy Seal, with 20*s.* a day, out of the following customs,—in the port of Pole, 80*l.*, the petty customs in the port of London, 200*l.*, in the port of Bristol, 56*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and in the port of Brygewater, 18*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; *vice* Cuthbert bishop of London. York Place, 20 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Jan.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 4.

2. Wardship of Robt., kinsman and heir of Edward Knyvett; with custody of the possessions of the said Edward during the minority of Robt. York Place, 20 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Jan.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 23.

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25 Jan. **6164.** SIR MARMADUKE CONSTABLE to WOLSEY.

R. O. Perceives from Mr. Joachym and other friends, that within eight days they expect to hear of the arrival of the French king's children and Madame Eleanor, whose baggage is already arrived at Bion. Then they think that the seal of the university of Paris and the other universities shall come, "and soon after the King our master to be affianced."

The King's officers are making search for the temporalities of Durham since Wolsey's entry to the bishopric of Winchester. Supposes he knows the displeasure of the King and Council to Mr. Dunnyngton and to his Grace for his sake. Wishes Wolsey had never known that man, who he fears was ordained to do his Grace harm and displeasure.

Notwithstanding these news of the assent and seal of the university of Paris, hears that the said university will never assent thereto.

Will come to him at the end of the term. London, the Conversion of St. Paul.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Cardinal's grace. *Endd.:* Letters to my lord Cardynal from Mr. Arondell, from James Clyffe, priest, and from Sir Marmaduke Constable.

25 Jan. **6165.** [RICHARD CROKE] to GHINUCCI.

Vit. B. XIII. 26 b. B. M. While in the chamber of Father Francis, Jacob Mantineus, a Jewish doctor, came in, saying that he had just come from the English ambassador, who asked him many questions about the affair of the king of England, and the laws of Leviticus and Deuteronomy, concerning which he had disputed by the Pope's order at Bologna. "Illicoque inter eos cœpta disputata [quibus] attentissime auscultabam, et interim cœpi Regi contrariam partem . . . . . adeoque rationibus contemptuque rationum ipsius hominem urgebam quo . . . . . legem ignorare suam. Et ille pertinaciter quæ nos ma . . . . . Itaque eandem rogavit qui et unde ego esse . . . . . D. Franciscum me hominem" * * * Yesterday morning Father F. George and his nephew came to me, with the catalogue of St. M[ark's]. Found in it the Maximus which Stokesley told him to read, two volumes of the letters of Nazianzen, and Chrysostom's works, including the Margarita. Some of these books will be given to him tomorrow, and others when he wishes, on the security of D. Dominicius. Owes everything to Father Francis; the King's ambassador does nothing for him.

Father Francis told Mantineus, in answer to his inquiries, that Croke was a native of Flanders; and the latter asked Croke if he knew the learned young German who was with the king of England. Denied all knowledge of England. Reminds Ghinucci of Casali's conduct with Aleander, and leaves to his conjectures the reasons of these questions of Mantineus. Father Francis tells Croke today that he talked much of the king of England, the Pope, and the Emperor, saying that they would take it ill if any one wrote of these matters, and he promised to return to him the next day and show him what he had himself written. He felt sure that Father Francis had heard nothing of the King; and Croke insists that his cause has nothing to do with the Emperor or the Pope, for some of the Rota defend it, which they would not do if the Pope were angry or unwilling. Asks Ghinucci to influence some of the Rota to favor him. The King has ordered him to communicate all he does to Ghinucci, and to take his advice; but Ghinucci has not answered his letters. Asks him not to be so sparing of giving advice, that the King's cause may not suffer. He is the only person who can oppose the arts of Casalis. Fears want of money if Ghinucci goes to Rome. Wishes him to write to Father Francis. Asks how long he is to remain here. Reminds him of the dispensations for him and Foxe. "An aliquid etiam

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[RICHARD CROKE] to GHINUCCI—*cont.*

ex . . . . . ad me scire cupio, et quas ad Regem et Stoxleium apud te reliqueram missas spero. In Stoxlei . . . . . enim cifra est qua propediem ad ipsum sum scripturus, quæque . . . . . apertis ipsius literis ad te transmittam."

Scribes, librarians, books, and those who are writing in our favor, have exhausted his money, though he gives but little to each. Doubts not that they could obtain the assent of all the theologians of Padua and Venice. Venice, 25 Jan.

Lat., draft, pp. 4. *Headed:* ουιγορνιενσι.

25 Jan. Vit.B.XIII.25. B. M.

6166. GHINUCCI to ———

"*Principalem suum de quantitate pecuniarum necessarium a[d] . . . . . tionem, et inventa fuit in suplicatione data pridi[e nonas Janua]rii; itaque non videtur amplius dubitandum quin Datariu[s] . . . . . sne det datam illis diebus, et sic non videtur de hoc am[plius] sperandum. Vigesima quinta Januarii.*"

Cipher, undeciphered. Mutilated.

25 Jan. Rym.XIV.355.

6167. DATES OF PAPAL BREVES.

Notarial attestation, by Ric. Watkins, of a transumpt of certain documents touching the computation of the year in Papal breves. The Temple, 25 Jan. 1529.

Lat.

26 Jan. Vit.B.XIII.21. B. M.

6168. [GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.]

"*Quia nonnulla brevia ex iis quæ per ultimum cursorem s[cripsi ad majes]tatem vestram reperta esse in libris registrorum sunt dire[cta] . . . . . ex provincia Romandiolæ et provincia Marchiæ, ita ut spe[ro quod] si originalia inveniri possint ea ibi esse inveniet daco . . . . . hoc in propria persona facere diligentiam; et ne papa aut a[lii] suspicentur, videntes me aliud iter facere quam ipsi facient [quum nec Papa] nec Imperator per Romandiolam aut Marchiam vadunt, finxi me ha[bere votum] visitandi eclesiam Beatæ Mariæ de Laureto quæ est in provinci[a Marchiæ] et ad quam eundum est par Romandiolam; et sub pretestu imp[lendæ ejus]modi votum, petii et obtinui licemtiam a Papa illuc eundi, et postquam Papa discesserit ego illuc, Deo dante, me conferam, faciam que . . . . . omnem mihi possibilem diligentiam, et præsertim super re . . . . . llo uno brevi quod ut scripsi non concordat in regest[ro] . . . . . nem, si illius originale reperietur et ipsius dase (data?) esse[t a Domini] Nativitate, prout est sumpta in aliis, et prout videtur speran[dum, reperi]retur aperte, et sine aliquo supterfugio constare, quod circa da[tas bre]vium id servatur, quod nos dicimus, non autem quod didont (dicunt?) a[lteri]. Cogitaveram etiam post discessum Papæ sup[er] aliquo colore a . . . . . hic manere, ut viderem si qui hic essent theologi[qui] . . . . . [majes]tate vestra, quique vel * * * . . . . . remanet hic, mansurus per aliquot menses † quemdam sit huju[s ci]vitatis et civis et episcopus, hæc non possent latere, tum quia ex eo difficultates causæ majestatis vestræ et ejus fundamenta tam [in]jure quam in facto jam etiam tonsoribus et cauponibus sunt [no]ta, non possent hæc secreto tractari, nec posset esse hic mora mea sine [su]spitione; unde autem hoc procedat quod difficultatis et fundamen[ta] hujusmodi sint divulgata nescio; hoc bene scio quod papa*

† Q[26] in orig.

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scit de il[lo] fratre sancte (sic) *qui est Lugduni, quod est conductus in partes majesta[ti]s vestræ, et scit etiam quid sentiat, hoc autem a me nescivit. Scribit [e]tiam Andreas quod in omnibus quæ ibi tentat pro causa majestatis [ve]stræ, ubi potest quis conjicere quoad hoc tendatur quilibet detrac . . . . t, et quod etiam aliqui ex amicis meis ad quos eum direxi retrahunt se [time]ntes Papam, et in spetie scribit quod cum unus amicus meus ad mei co[m]placentiam quæreret de minutis brevium Leonis; conmisi enim an . . . . . ræ ut quæreret etiam de tempore Leonis, Adriani, et Clementis. Fuit i[l]li responsum quod hujus modi minutæ tam de tempore Leonis quam Adriani et C[lemen]tis erant hic penes secretarium, quod tamen non est verisemile. No[lo] ego hic super hoc aliquod tentare, tum quia cito erimus Romæ [cum] suspitione una spero poterunt hæ diligentiæ fieri . . . . . suspectus in his nunc debet invigilare * * * ut conjici potuit ex breve quod scripsi expeditum . . . . . Decembris. Cum tamen † porrectum fuisset, ‡scribi[t] Andreas unum amicum meum quem supmiseram ad impet[randum supp]licationes super aliquibus brevibus, illis dieb[us quas maje]stas vestra vult habuisse hinc licteras sue o . . . . . tore quod ex dictis supplicationibus me erant si . . . . . fi et alia § Decembris et quod de die in diem eas ex[pectabam]‡ [sci]licet ex infrascriptis dubitem etiam Romæ eum [ven]turum: scribit etiam Andreas quendam amicum meum . . . . . m quem supmiseram ad impetrandas suplicationes super [aliquibus] brevibus illis diebus inter Nativitatem Domini et [fin]em Januarii, dixisse sibi habuisse hinc licteras a so . . . re suo, quod in una ex dictis suplicationibus habu . . . . ‖ Decembris in alia § et quod in dies ipsas su[pplica]tiones Romæ expectabat. Ego autem dubito an habiturus sit sub illis datis, quia video evidentia inditia quod p[apalis se]cretarius, ita et datarius, fuerit monitus super his. Na[m scripsi] ego tribus personis hic memorialia continentia . . . . . [materi]as, et inter eas quasi incidenter in a * * * . . . . . ngebantur, que materiæ illæ esse in Gallia ubi nunquam consue[vi]t; datæ quas parvas vocant,¶ aut in memorialibus primo, aut postea in [supp]licationibus ipsis negari, et tamen licet in memorialibus habi[tæ] fuissent datæ parvæ, sub eo tempore quod dixi, postea in supplicatio[ni]bus fuerunt aliæ datæ positæ, ut puta, in una in qua justa (juxta) datam parvam memo[ri]alis debebat esse datæ ultima Decembris, fuit posita, data pridie nonas [Ja]nuarii, quoad alios duos quorum unus habuerat [in] memorialibus datam ‖ et alius †† Decembris, primus dixit non posse [sup]plicationes expedire quousque fuerimus Romæ ob motum curiæ. Alius [p]rotraxit rem usque in hanc diem, semper promittens dare suplica[ti]onem, et nunc dicit non potuisse adhuc habere; sed evidentiora habemus [si]gna de eo quod dixi; dum enim dubitarem ne aliquo casu quod tentabam cir[ca] supradictas suplicationes mihi non succederet, cogitavi istos spe lu[c]ri allucinare, et sic ultra predicta feci porrigi xxvi. Decembris unam [sup]plicationem, in qua petebatur, preter materiam unius brevis, [e]tiam quedam rehabilitatio, quæ indistinte dari solet, prævia tamen [expo]sitione pecuniaria, et illi qui ad hoc præfectus fuit habuit datam [Decem]bris, nunc visa difficultate vertente circa alias suplicati[ones] . . . . . cum videri [h]anc de qua nunc loquor quasi vellet avisare . . . .*"

What follows is preceded by a mark that seems to show that it was intended as an insertion:—

f. 23. "*datas* ‡‡ . . . . . *scribit Crocus ex Venetiis valde longas lict[eras; quæ] rem attinet supstantia est invenisse se Venetiis bi[bliothe]-*

† γ^{19} γ^{16} in orig.; $\gamma^{19}=20$.

‡ *scribi[t]—ex[pectabam]*. To the ciphers in this passage marks have been added, which usually nullify.

§ γ^{19} γ^{15} in orig. ‖ γ^{19} γ^{14} in orig. ¶ "cocant," MS.

†† γ^{19} γ^{16} in orig. ‡‡ γ^{10} in orig.

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[GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.]—*cont.*

*carium Papæ ab eoque intellexisse perdita Rome ult[ra duce]nta volumina Græca, et non esse ad presens in Bibliotheca illum Nazianzeni, quem querimus, sed jactare se illum apud se e[sse] Nazianzenum, licet non ibi, sed in Apulia; item dictum sibi fuisse a quodam Valeriano Burgi . . . . . viro docto esse apud episcopum Theatinum ibi exi[stentem] non solum Nazianzenum, sed etiam Maximum Planudem et Crisost[omum] et rapsodias multorum conmentariorum in utrumque Test[amentum] et fere omnes alios libros, quos dominus Stokslejus ex man[dato majes]tatis vestræ dixit sibi esse legendos†; item quendam Fran[ciscum Geo]rgium, Patricium Venetum doctissimum etiam in lingua [Græca] pro parte majestatis vestræ erudite et docte scripsisse; eum [magnæ æs]timationis esse apud Venetos et Patavinos theologos, ita u[t] . . . illius scriptis supscripturos omnes doctores Franciscanos [tam Venetos] quam Patavinos, et quod non nominavit majestatem vestram sed finxit a . . . . . sua propria, et quod ipse imposuit sibi nomen Johannis F[landrensis]; item quod Judei dixerunt sibi ab escidio urbi[s Hierosoly]mitanæ nunquam servasse eos legem Deuteronomii et . . . . . illam, nonnisi ubi alias [per] le[gem] * *

f. 23 b. . . . . ndam, sed neque nisi ubi causæ et circunstantiæ illic expressæ [ur]gent obligare eum putent, sed neque ita etiam absolute obligasse . . . . . nquam inmo in arbitrio suo semper fuisse dicunt alterum facere . . . . . c est, vel ducere relictam a fratre, vel pati discalciationem; et de hoc [dicit se ha]bere licteras manu unius Judei Rabini et alterius effecti Cris[ti]ani Hebraice scriptas, et eorum nominibus subscriptas, quas quidem licteras et librum prefati Francisci Georgii per fidum nuncium se ad [V.M.] missurum scribit, nam ingens est liber ille et qui per postam mitti [non] possit. Item quod Patavii legit plura opera sibi dicta per Stok[s]leium, et nihil invenit ad rumbum (sic); remansisse autem alia quem omnino‡ non [po]tuerit videre, sed vidisse commentaria quædam Græca quæ sibi Romæ legenda ho . . . . . it Stokleius, et quæ videntur quoquo modo pro majestate vestra facere, ex [eo scri]psit descripsisse; petiit etiam a me consilium utrum deberet ulterius ibi manere, et quod eatenus consequi non potuerat conari ad bibliotecam publicam habere aditum, in qua sperabit inter alia invenire Nazia[n]zenum, super quo etiam petiit a me auxilium. Ego autem ad eum sc[rip]si quod mihi videbatur eum debere ibi manere, donec speraret posse cau[sæ ma]jestatis vestræ prodesse, nam Romæ non videtur esse tantas spes [ut spera]bamus, nec deerit sibi aditus ad Romanam biblothecam . . . . . t; et quia cupiebat me scribere ad episcopum Theatinu[m] ut daret sibi comoditatem videndi suos libros, sc[ripsi] non posse, meque intra paucos dies missurum qui causam . . . . . idem scripsi quoad § ad quem etiam petebat ut scriberem . . . . . ret cum dicto episcopo Theatino; non autem ad hos scripsi, qui[a cum eo] nullam habeo consuetudinem, et præter hoc est totus e . . . . . quem scio in hoc nihil facturum, propterea quod scit quæ ci . . . . . voluntas Papæ, cui scio quod nullo modo contraveniret, et quæ sit . . . . . sententia satis potest colligi ex hoc, præsertim quo[d] . . . . . huc mittere quærit ad effectum, de quo in aliis licteris s[cribit]. Quoad aditum ad bibliotecam publicam putabam Crocum ha[bere adi]tum propterea quod prothonotarius Casalius, apud quem tum du[dum]ivit Crocus, quam quando ipse prothonotarius illic ivit . . . . . steti, promisit se id curaturum. Cum autem scribat Crocus [se] non sperare quoad hoc in prothonotario, curabo ut dominus Benet ipsum prothonotarium super hoc urgeat [et] conabor ab aliquibus meis particularibus amicis habere ad [eum lite]ras; opus est enim in hoc caute agere, nam hic est at (sic) unus . . . . . tus doctus, cui u[t] audio difficultates aliquæ circa ca[usam majes]-*

† *lagendos* in the cipher. ‡ *omnis*, MS.

§ Q[23] in orig. *Father Francis?*

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*tatis vestræ sunt conmunicatæ, et ipse postea aliquod ve[rbum] habuit cum papa; et satis dubito quod respectu papæ si [ali]quid quæramus nos impediret, scribit e * * * . . . . . rem illum qui pro majestate vestra*
f. 24 b. *scripsit multo alacriorem . . . . de veritate, de causa majestatis vestræ. Ad hoc respondi quod videtur eum non debere de majestate vestra mentionem facere, sed prosequi prout cœpit, et quia non habeo secum (mecum?) cifram non scripsi, quare sic senti . . . . . m. Scripsi autem quod unum brevi ad eum mitterem qui copiosius omnibus ad me scriptis secum ageret; causa autem quare sic ad eum [s]cripsi est quod video Papam fere omnia scire. Audio etiam eum cura[re] ut scribatur, et cum ipse sit magnæ auctoritatis et potestatis præ[ser]tim apud fratres istos qui et eorum generales ac protectores cardinales sunt, omnino a sanctitate sua dependent, non dubito quod [u]bi Papa eis prohibuerit, aut aliter sciverint, se sanctitati suæ [di]splicere, nullo modo se in his in[t]romittent. Vigesima sexta Janu[a]rii."*

Cipher, undeciphered; mutilated.

27 Jan. **6169.** Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Le Grand, III. 425.

The good answer received by the King from the doctors and universities of Italy has made him dissatisfied that those of Paris should have done so little to help him. Nor could he persuade himself but that it was owing to Francis or his council not having recommended the affair sufficiently to them. And if by good fortune I had not that day received a letter from Maistre Gervais, who wrote that he had done something since my departure, and that in going to Paris you had thanked him for what he had already done, recommending him to proceed in the affair as if it were for Francis himself, I should have had much trouble to root out this impression. But when he had read the letter which I showed him, although it contained private matters (which induced him to give the greater credit to it), he was rather better pleased, and took me into his cabinet, where his books are, and kept me there more than four hours. In substance he plainly confesses that he finds himself in such perplexity that he can no longer live in it. It would be well that in passing by Paris I should find a letter of Francis addressed to me, that I might speak of it again to our masters, so that they might not think that I do it without commission, and I shall use it with discretion, so that the Emperor may hear nothing of it. And if he then know that I am too much hindered, Francis may disavow me, and deny that he gave me any commission. As to the ring, and acquittance of the term of May, he will send them with me. London, 27 Jan.

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27 Jan. **6170.** [Richard Croke] to Stokesley.

Vit. B. XIII. 8. B. M.

His mind still shudders to think of the dangers of the road, and he still seems to feel his horse trembling under him. Arrived at Bologna on Dec. 19. Heard from the Bishop that Nazianzen has been found, but his nephew, who is learned in Greek, tells him that there is no such letter. He has now ordered him to look through all the Gregories in case Stokesley has made a mistake in the name. Will not consult the Jews while the Emperor and the Pope are here. The Bishop has good hopes of the theologians, for they are all Thomists, and he may obtain a favorable opinion from the Academy. Will try to obtain the office of penitentiary, for he would then have free acess to the libraries, and could take a house in the "Borgo" near them. The Bishop wishes him to search the libraries at Venice and Padua. Hopes his success will show his diligence.

Complains of the extortions of postmasters and innkeepers. Cannot live for less than three ducats a day, for the Emperor's army has exhausted Bologna. The bishop of Worcester says that everything will be three times as dear in Rome. His diets are not three ducats a day. The King wishes

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him to induce some persons of authority (*authentici*) to authenticate his instruments. But how can he do it without money?

Stokesley recommended the King to send him, and he wishes him therefore to see that he is not obliged to neglect the King's cause for want of money. Must either have a letter from the King to a banker, or the King must desire the bishop of Worcester to pay him a certain sum. Desires him to speak to the King on the subject. Would have written by the French courier, but feared the Spanish soldiers on the road, who open all letters. Inserts a cipher for future use. Peace is made between the Emperor and the dukes of Milan and Venice. "Ro . . . . . tuerunt Veneti Pontifici et Cæsari sua cuique opera et centum milia . . . . . Cæsari pendere fide Veneta sunt polliciti. Dux Mediolanensis . . . . . milia pendit Cæsari, cuique fratrem majorem natu qui adhuc . . . . . apud Gallos est futurum Cardinalem constans hic fa . . . . hoc se oblectare posset." On Christmas day the Pope performed mass publicly. The Emperor was present, but did not go in or out of the church with the Pope. The Pope, cardinals and bishops wear beards. Bologna, 6 kal. Jan.

The bishop of Worcester sends salutations.

Draft, Lat., pp. 2.

27 Jan. P. S. **6171.** For the PRIOR AND CONVENT OF ST. PETER'S, HIDE, NEAR WINCHESTER.

Congé d'élire upon the death of Ric. Romsey, last abbot. York Place, 22 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 27 Jan.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

ii. Petition for the above, presented by Thos. Wellys and John Bodnam, monks of the monastery. 8 Jan.

27 Jan. P. S. **6172.** For the SUB-PRIOR AND AUGUSTINE CONVENT OF ST. MARY, MERTON, Winc. dioc.

Congé d'élire upon the death of James Lacye, last prior. York Place, 22 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 27 Jan.

Pat. p. 2, *m.* 2.

ii. Petition for the above. 18 Jan.

28 Jan. Vit.B.XIII.19. B. M. **6173.** GHINUCCI to ———.

"*Ex licteris Croci datis Venetiis xxii. Januarii item fu . . . . . scribit venisse ad notitiam Aleandri bibliothecari[i qui] venit Venetias occasione causæ majestatis vestræ et quod . . . . . ostendit de hoc notitiam habuisse a domino Prothonotario Casa[li] . . . . . autem dominus Prothonotarius dicit Aleandrum id comprehen[dere a] questionibus per ipsum Crocum ei propositis. Scribit e[tenim se] scripsisse librum illum Francisci Georgii † docto . . . . . et quod si mihi visum fuerit, subscribant Observantium predica[tores], genus hominum quod cum pluris apud Anglos fiat plurimum tamen i[njuræ] cause affecerunt.‡ Scribit etiam caput unum ut sequitu[r: Inveni]mus apud Sanctum Marcum et in ipsa bibliotheca capsas no . . . . . et in eis Grecorum plenam quandam invenimus in qua multa Greca . . . . . opera, cum oratorum tum vero Philonis et Crisostomi et Dioni[sii] . . . . nimus; invenimus etiam librum epistolarum Grecarum maxi[mum] sad (sed) autoris nomen extritum reddidit nos dubios ut[rum Basilii] an Nazianzeni eos judicaremus; puto ego fuisse Basilii nam [insunt ad] monacos aliquot epistolæ. Victor Faustus ad quem me*

† X^{31} in orig. ‡ *offocerunt* in the cipher.

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*direxit do[minus Protho]notarius quandam (quam) primum huc me contuli non potuit reperiri . . . . . index ejus bibliothecæ est. Vides ergo villæ . . . . ficatur, faxit Deus ne de industria absit vix . . . . . s ducatis in diem et . . . . . li * * * . . . . . a addit quod sequitur opera fratris Francisci solius; heri . . . [a]dimus bibliothecam Sancti Marci, et hodie exibebitur index, et si [ullo]s libros velim, focit (faciet) ut nepos se vadem pro illis offerat. Hodie au[t] cras ejusdem opera Sancti Antonii indicem videbimus, et idem bonus pater etiam facit ut Theatinus mihi commentariorum in evangeli . . . . . rapsodiam accomodaret. Si velitis mittere ad me aliquem vel assignare cui . . . . . [s]cripta theologorum pro nobis tuto dare possem da . . . . sunt que Regi summopere placeant etiam quid si istis † ——— daturus cupio per vos . . . . . cire; Marcus enim Raffael Judeus doctissimus doctissime . . . . . et planissime pro nobis scripsit et offert et obligat scriptis . . . . . a contra omnes defensurum, et tres libros Hebraice scripsit quos . . . . . fecit Latinos pater Franciscus qui etiam libros suos mihi fecit describi . . . . . [e]go scripsi ad eum quod videtur mihi ut librum fratris Fra[nci]sci faciat subscribi per omnes quos ex eorum qualitatibus . . . . . ut fama viderit posse prodesse causæ majestatis vestræ et quoad quar . . . . . dandam remisso me judicio suo qui ex una parte debet curare ut . . . . . natur quam fieri possit, ex alia parte, considerata doctrina . . . . . tium, debet ita eis satisfacere ut ipsi . . . . . [oc]tava Januari[i]."*

Cipher, undeciphered. Mutilated.

29 [Jan.] Vit. B. XIII. 28 b. B. M.

6174. [RICHARD CROKE to the BISHOP OF WORCESTER.]

Went on Wednesday morning to Casali's house to find out whether he had done anything about the libraries. Was kept waiting an hour and a half, and then refused. Returned after dinner, Casali having sent a messenger to him. He offered him a list, as he said, of all the sacred books in the library of St. Mark; but it did not contain one of those which the King most desired, and which Croke knows for certain are in the library, for he has obtained a correct catalogue through Father Francis and the librarian Faustus. Sends copies of the two catalogues, in the hand of [the Bishop's] servant, showing that Casali must have craftily left out all the books which Croke wishes for. He then asked Croke to dispute with the bishop of Chieti in his presence. Refused, because he did not wish to betray the King's secrets, and that they might not know our reasons, and thus be able to oppose them. He said that the King had thus ordered. Answered that he must inform him of this in writing. He then asked Croke to examine St. Antony's library with him. Refused, as he already had the catalogue, and had visited the library. Next morning went to see him again. He immediately sent for the Jew Jacob, and asked Croke to discuss with him. Refused, feeling indignant at being thus betrayed. Casali said he had written on our side. Asked him where the writings were. He said he had given some to his brother at Bologna, and had lost the rest; but he did not dare affirm that he had written on our side. Said that as soon as matters came to light, he would deny what he had done. He then again asked Croke to go with him to the bishop of Chieti, which he refused to do without a written agreement. He said that Croke had borrowed a book from the Bishop on the security of brother Francis, and that he had told the Bishop, who seemed doubtful about its being returned, that Croke was an Englishman, and offered to bind himself also. Told him that he had concealed being an Englishman, and blamed him for his curiosity, and for betraying the King's secrets. He replied that there was no reason to suspect the bishop of Chieti. Went after this to the library of St. Antony, which

† A blank space is left here, about the width of seven ciphers.

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seems to contain what he wants. Saw many books of Basil's, and all the Greek Councils, and the Epistles of the Councils, as he thinks.

"Porro ne temere ista tibi dicta [pute]s, scire debes, cum primo mane ad Cassalis venissem, dicebat [epistolam] quidem quam rex quærebat esse in hac urbe et se Græcam vidisse." He said it was not Nazianzen, but Basil, and that he heard so from Aleander, who had the epistle itself; and he showed Croke the passage in Leviticus, cap. xviii., "sororem uxoris tui in pellicatum illius non accipies." Basil writes upon this text, "et infert rationem de ea quæ duobus fratribus [nupta sit.]" Casali then showed him the council of Neo-Cæsarea, which has been long known to the King's party. Noticed that the book was Aleander's. Saw that the names of the Bishops were given at each Council, and those of Basil and Gregory at that of Neo-Cæsarea. Turned the page, and found a law about persons who take a woman while married to her sister (*in alterius pellicatum*), but this was at the council of Ancyra. Noticed Basil among the list of names, and suspects that the letter they want is among those written by the Bishops at this Council, which are at St. Anthony's library. Has had free access to it hitherto; but fears, without [Ghinucci's] help, that it may be closed to him. Has written everything to him, and the King expects him to give Croke his advice, but he has not yet answered his letters, and does nothing to hinder the plans of his adversaries. Begs him not to desert him.

The King writes to [Ghinucci] to help Croke in every way, and tells Croke to do nothing without him; but yet he will not write to Croke, though he is in such difficulties. Fears he will be destitute of money. Unless he hears soon from Ghinucci, will go to England with what he has already done, and not wait for poverty, which will compel him to betray the King's secrets. Writers, gifts, and inns have exhausted him. Keeps copies of his letters to [Ghinucci]; and when he reads them, wishes that he had either diligence, faith, or kindness. Sends father Francis' shorter writings. Will not send the longer writings until he hears from [Ghinucci]. Sends also the Hebrew writings of Christian Mark, a man of accurate learning in the Old Testament, "autographa utriu[sque cum] nominibus ipsorum ascriptis. Versa sunt utriusque scripta [a patr]e Francisco et eorum etiam versionem ad te mitto," in which what Stokesley most wished is affirmed. John Sucroz, a learned theologian in Greek and Latin, and John Maria, have promised to write on our side. Reminds him of the dispensations for himself and Foxe, and of the increase of his diets. 29 [Jan.]

Draft, Lat., pp. 3.

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Lettere di Principi, II. 187 b.

6175. SANGA to the DUKE OF ALBANY.

The Pope has received your letters, which gave him much pleasure, as they showed your willingness to do him service, though the Pope was convinced of that before. He would not, however, advise you to come for our little Duchess; for if Mons. de Clermont, who is gone to Florence with the French king's authority, cannot obtain her delivery to him, they would be equally obstinate in refusing to give her to you; and no arrangements can be made about the marriage till she is recovered. Rome, 29 Jan. 1530.

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Lamb's Cambridge Documents, 15.

6176. LATYMER AT CAMBRIDGE.

Address of Dr. Buckmaster, vice-chancellor of the university of Cambridge, to the Senate, on the 29th Jan. 1529, forbidding Latymer to preach about the matters which have been in controversy between him and others, and to say nothing that may give occasion of offence to the audience; and also laying a similar prohibition on Masters Bayn, Bryganden, Grenewod, and

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Proctor, and telling them that as Latymer has cleared himself from the articles imputed to him, and as they did not lay anything to his charge on the day which the Vice-chancellor appointed, any accusations made hereafter will seem to be malicious. Desires them to show to him any offence committed by Latymer in his sermons against them, or any assertion contrary to the Catholic faith.

29 Jan. **6177.** FRANCIS I.

R. O. Rym.xiv.358. Commission to William Du Bellay and John Joachim to treat with England for the conversion for a time of a certain sum due to Henry into part of the money which he is bound to pay the Emperor for the redemption of his children. Dijon, 29 Jan. 1529.
Lat., vellum.

R. O. Rym.xiv.359. 2. Commission to the same for the due payment hereafter of the salt pension which had been agreed to in their former treaty. Dijon, 29 Jan. 1529.
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R. O. Rym.xiv.360. 3. Obligation to pay divers sums of money laid out for the liberation of his children. Dijon, 29 Jan. 1529.
Lat., vellum.

R. O. Modern copy of the above. There are other copies in Lansd. MS. 141, f. 33, and Harl. MS. 1064, f. 107 b.

R. O. Rym.xiv.362. 4. Obligation to pay divers sums due to England, among others, for a jewel pawned by the emperor Maximilian to Henry VII. for 44,444 gold crowns 22 shillings and 6 pence. Dijon, 29 Jan. 1529.
Lat., vellum.

31 Jan. **6178.** [GHINUCCI to CROKE.]

Vit. B. XIII. 43 b. B. M. Has received his letters of the 25th. His other letters will answer them. Desires him to procure subscriptions from persons whose learning or fame will assist the cause. Is vexed that he has not received the book which Croke says he sent by his servant. It should not have been sent except by a most secure messenger. Stokesley and Lee are sent hither. Bologna, 31 Jan. 1530. Received 6 Feb. "Tuus uti frater, H." [Frater] "prothonotarii Cassalis qui est istic dixit, ut audio, D. Stokleum [accepisse] per Aldum, dum viveret, impressas quasdam epistolas Græcas . . . . . numque fuisse in volumine, impressurum etiam alias . . . . . ente non fecit ex his satis videtur . . . . . us hæredes dicti Aldi * * *"
Lat., p. 1. *Copy by Croke; mutilated.*

31 Jan. **6179.** ERASMUS to TUNSTAL.

Er. Ep. 1092. To all appearance the long war of words and writings will terminate in blows. But for his soul's health would rather be in the camp from which he fled; but Heaven forbid, that, for the little life remaining to an old man, with a stone, which is certain death, in his bladder, he should desert the unity of the Church. As to what its ministers may decree concerning his writings, that is their affair. If the rulers of the Church were men like Augustine, Erasmus would agree with them excellently; but if Augustine himself were to write now what he has written, or what the age requires, he would be as badly thought of as Erasmus. It is true what you say, that fire is not put out by fire; but it is not right to endure a charge of impiety.

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Can adduce hundreds of passages, both in Augustine and in St. Paul, which would now be denounced as heresies. Monks and schoolmen are deceived if they think this is the way to secure the peace of the Church. They throw oil upon the flames. Does not congratulate More, although he does not grieve for him. England he does congratulate, and himself, not a little. Has translated three homilies of Chrysostom from a MS. by your advice, which I regretted, as I saw nothing there of Chrysostom. Speaks of other works in preparation. Thinks the faults of Œcolampadius are more from hurry than want of skill. Gives his opinion concerning the Real Presence, with some remarks upon Origen. Has answered the objection of the bishop of Lincoln respecting his Colloquies, and denies any intention of having turned the fasts and ceremonies of the Church into ridicule. Complains that the Observants had employed a young member of their Order to insult him. If he could get rid of the stone, could easily despise all other troubles. Trusts that the sects will be kept in order by the Emperor. Sends his compliments to the Chancellor (More), and thanks him for his present. Friburg, 31 Jan. 1530.

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Jan. **6180.** THE HOUSEHOLD.

Arch. III. 144. Extracts from a MS. dated "apud Eltham, mense Jan. 22 Hen. VIII.," entitled "Articles devised by his royal Highness, with advice of his Council, for the establishment of good order and reformation of sundry errors and misuses in his houshold and chambers."

The date here given is probably a misreading,—22 instead of 17 Hen. VIII., as the document seems to be correspondent in part with No. 1939. in the year 1526.

6181. WOLSEY to [CROMWELL].

Cott. App. 23. B. M. St. P. I. 355. "My onely refugy and aide." According to your and the Secretary's letters, I have desired the latter to move the King to increase Mr. Nores' fee to 100*l.* or 200*l.* for the reversion to Mr. Treasurer of the offices held by lord Sands in Farnam, with the amplyation of the fee above the ordinary to 40*l.*, and for Mr. Comptroller 40*l.* a year, and for Mr. Russell 20*l.* Would like the last to be 40*l.* or 50*l.* if the King would. Will do this with all his heart, and more, if Cromwell thinks expedient. Assures him that it is not "the good and muck of thys [wo]rld" that he esteems, and that he will perceive by his living hereafter. Desires only to make a convenient portion for the entertainment of his house, and to do good to his poor servants and kinsfolk, and [to give] . . . in alms, which cannot be done out of the revenues of York. If the King [desires] him to leave Winchester and St. Albans, trusts by the help of his friends to have some honest pension. As God is my judge, I never thought, and [so I was assured] at the making of my submission, that I should have to part with any of my promotions; for the rigor of the law, [for any offence that can] be arrectyd on to me, deserveth no [such] . . . . . less the same moderyd with mercy. Trusts that the King will consider the same. Has had fair words, but little comfortable deeds. These noblemen pledged me their honor, on trust of which I made the final gift of my whole estate. Trusts Cromwell will bring more comfortable tidings tomorrow. Has no fur of sables fit for Mr. Comptroller, or he would not fail to give them. Cromwell shall see his apparel tomorrow. Begs him to omit nothing that may be to his advantage. Asher, 7 p.m.

P.S. very much mutilated.

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6182. WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Ashmole MS. Oxon. Ellis, 1 Ser. II. 10.

Going this day out of my pew to say mass, your letters dated yesternight, at London, were delivered to me. By these I understand it is the King's pleasure that I should have the administration of York only, reserving to himself five or six of the best promotions. If it is his pleasure that I should leave Winchester and St. Albans, am bound to submit; but if the King will consider how little time I have to live, the decay of the archbishopric by the sum of 800 marks, my long services, considering also that I am to leave Winchester and St. Albans, which I do not deserve to have lost, having done no offence to the King, and did not expect to do at my submission,—considering also the frank departure of all that I had in the world,—I trust a convenient pension will be granted me. Thinks the King will make no objection if it is proposed by Gardiner. Does not wish to accumulate the muck of this world, for on its riches and promotions he sets no more than on the rush under his foot, but only for charity and to help his poor servants and kinsfolk. Begs also that as the apparel of Winchester and St. Albans is to be taken from him, the King will appoint him some. Hopes to have the free disposition of his benefices, and trusts so to order himself in his new manner of life and his new freedom, that the King shall take special comfort in the same. Refers himself wholly to the King's mercy, trusting Gardiner will declare the same, and supply his lack of wit caused by extreme sorrow. Would rather die than offend him in thought, word, or deed. Has always loved Norris for the service he has done the King, and is willing to make out his fee, not for 100*l.* but for 200*l.*; and as Mr. Treasurer has the King's game near Fernam, will enlarge his fee, and grant him the reversion of what lord Sandes has. Will give the Comptroller and Russell similar fees, beseeching the King that henceforth he may serve God quietly and with repose of mind.

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6183. GRIEVANCES OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS AGAINST THE CLERGY.

Wilkins, III. 739. B. M.

1. For the excessive fines taken by the ordinaries for probates. Sir Hen. Guilford, K.G., controller of the King's house, declared in Parliament that he and the other executors of Sir Will. Compton paid 1,000 marks to the Cardinal and the archbishop of Canterbury. After this declaration many other extortions of ordinaries were showed.

2. Great exactions are made by the spiritualty "in taking of corps presents or mortuaries." They would let dead men's children die of hunger or go a begging sooner than give them in charity "the silly cow which the dead man ought, if he had but only one. Such was the charity of them."

3. Priests occupied farms as stewards to bishops and abbots, so that poor husbandmen could have nothing but of them, and had to pay dearly for it.

4. Abbots and spiritual men kept tan houses, and bought and sold wool like merchants.

5. Holders of great benefices having their livings of their flocks, lay in the court in lord's houses, and spent nothing on their parishioners.

6. One priest being a little learned had ten or twelve benefices, and was resident on none, while many well-learned scholars had neither benefice nor exhibition.

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New hangings of counterfeit arras and tapestry:—6 pieces of triumphs, counterfeit arras lined with canvas, each 9 yards by 4½ yards, with borders sewed on, with the arms of England and Spain, roses and daisies; 4 pieces

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of the story of Absolom; 12 pieces of the Old Law and the New, with new borders of my Lord's arms; 6 pieces of the history of king Assuere and queen Hester; 7 pieces of the history of Sampson, bordered with my Lord's arms, and 2 window pieces of the same story; 8 pieces of the history of Salamon, bordered with my Lord's arms; 7 pieces of the history of Suzanna, and 2 window pieces; 13 pieces of the history of Jacob; 4 pieces of the history of Holyfernus; and others of the histories of Joseph, David, St. John Baptist, Our Lady, Christ, and the Nine Worthies, with other hangings and tappetts bought for rooms at Hampton Court.

Three blue velvet figury hangings, provided for my Lord's kneeling place at York Place, and in Nov. 17 Hen.VIII. given to the college at Oxford. 22 silk hangings made of cloth, bought of my lord Rotheall's executors, March 14 Hen.VIII.

Hangings of new and rich arras, lined with buckram, of the Passion of Christ; Our Lady and her Son, and the tokens of the Passion; St. George killing the Dragon; Trajan; two children saved from drowning by an angel; a gentlewoman playing on "chavicymballes," and men playing on other instruments; a fountain with a woman on the top; a wild boar hunt; the Five Joys of Our Lady; the Assumption of Our Lady; Our Lady, for an altar; the three kings of Coleyne, Salamon, and the queen of Sabaye; Our Lady, with Christ in her lap, and a maid offering a cluster of grapes in a cup; Verona, holding a vernacle; the Salutation; Christ bearing his cross; St. Gerome; and a piece of Christ on the cross, received in June 18 Hen.VIII., and delivered to Mr. Hughes by order of Dr. Stubbys, May 21 Hen.VIII.

Old hangings of arras:—10 pieces made of beds, called "infantilage" and "the Sonne," with birds and other devices; and other pieces with the stories of St. Gregory and the emperor Trajan; Christ, with the Jews calling *Crucifige;* the three kings of Coleyne; Dame Pleasaunce; the duke of Bry and the gyaunte Orrible; king Charles, and the hangings of the old hall at Westminster, with grypes or gryphons, with the word *Memento.*

Hangings bought of Richard Gresham, 22 Dec. 13 Hen.VIII:—For the parlour next the cellar bar, the next parlour, the Legate's chamber, and the chambers over the ewery, the porter's lodge, and the gate of the base court at Hampton Court, containing the stories of Jacob, Susanna, Judyth and Holyfernus, the Seven Deadly Sins, Salamon, Sampson, and the Nine Worthies.

Hangings bought of Richard Gresham, 2 April 13 Hen.VIII:—For chambers over the north and south gates of the base court, and over the porter's lodges, with the stories of Hester, Samuell, Tobye, Our Lady, Moyses, Tobeas, Estrogeas, Forlorn Son, David, Emelyke, and others. Also, 21 hangings and 28 window pieces of Jacob and Joseph, provided for the gallery at York Place.

Hangings bought of the executors of my lord of Durham, 14 Hen.VIII.:—Six pieces of counterfeit arras, bordered with the arms of St. Cuttebarte and my lord Rootheall.

Six pieces of triumphs bought of Richard Gresham, Dec. 16 Hen.VIII.

Hangings of counterfeit arras and tapestry, somewhat worn, containing the story of Lamante, the Passion, the twelve months, fountains, a banquet, David and Golyas, Hercules and Jason, king Priamus, and Salamon's Judgment. 8 pieces bought of John Yong, late Master of the Rolls, and a dorse and redorse for an altar, with the crucifix and Our Lady.

Hangings bought of the executors of my lord of Durham, 14 Hen.VIII., containing the triumphs of Time, Death, Chastity, Eternity, Cupid and Venus, and Renown or Julyus Cisar, and others *de filio produco.*

Hangings bought of the executors of my lord of London, 14 Hen.VIII.:—Four pieces, containing three images, superscribed *O pia, O clemens, O dulcis Maria,* David harping, a ship, and Judas.

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Old hangings of counterfeit arras and tapestry, containing wood hewers, "wodewyses," Moyses casting king Pharo's crown to the ground; the emperor Octavian, with Our Lady and son appearing in a sunbeam; wood-cutting, and a man shooting at a heron; a woman with a banner and a helmet; a king, with a lady holding a cup; a king in his pavilion, and a lady in red kneeling; a fountain, and a lady in her hair standing by it; a lady putting a black shoe upon a man's foot; one king crowning another; Elyn, a queen with a sceptre; the pilgrimage and life of "Mannys"; the wheel of Fortune; several pieces of hawking and shooting, one of a man kneeling upon his hat and putting a duck's bill into the ground; king Nabogodonisor and the prophet Daniel; the sacrament of the altar, with angels; Christ casting the traders out of the Temple; St. George; an angel harping; Haniball; playing at cards; a king taking up an harvest man by the middle; templum Bachi; and many other pieces, seven of which, in Aug. 15 Hen. VIII., were shorn and new dressed on the wrong side, and made meet for the hall in Hampton Court.

Hangings bought of the executors of my lord of Durham, 14 Hen. VIII.:—Eight pieces, with the stories of Priamus, Parys and Atchilles, Jupiter, Pluto and Ceres, Hanyballe, Virtue, and hunting. Some of these served for the hangings of Durham Hall on inferior days. Bought of the executors of Mr. Toneys, a piece with hawking and hunting, Oct. 18 Hen. VIII.

Hangings of "veerders," 57 pieces, with flowers and beasts, some bought of Mr. Toney's executors.

Hangings and curtains of say, green, red, and paned with violet and yellow, and green and red. A hanging of green and yellow buckram, hangings of dorney and say received from the privy wardrobe, March 17 Hen. VIII. Borders for hangings with the arms of England and Spain, my Lord's arms, and the story of Lamante. Six cloths of estate of cloth of gold and velvet, 2 with my Lord's arms. Eight traversis, of red, changeable and other sarcenet, of blue bawdekyn, and green velvet, figury.

Beds,—one of rich tissue, made for my Lord's going to Guisnes, 12 Hen. VIII., and applied to the use of the college at Oxford, May 17 Hen. VIII., and 15 others, of satin and velvet, most with celars, testers, and counterpoints. 59 counterpoints of satin, damask, sarcenet, and bawdekyn, some embroidered, and of counterfeit arras, tapestry and veerdurs with various devices. 22 Dec. 13 Hen. VIII., received from Richard Gresham, 33 counterpoints, some of park work. A counterpoint of veerdur, bought from the executors of my lord of London. Two others bought 22 May 15 Hen. VIII., with part of 53*s.* 4*d.* received from the executors of Mr. Rookysbye, in recompense for my Lord's stuff lost by him. 20 counterpoints bought of Hanford of London, 21 Nov. 15 Hen. VIII. 100 counterpoints of coarse tapestry and veerdours for yeomen, received from Richard Gresham of London, Feb. 17 Hen. VIII.; and 2 received from the privy wardrobe, March 17 Hen. VIII.

85 coverlights of wool, made at Bury, Lynne, and Norwich, bought of Avery Rawson, Robert Hanforde, and William Spencer, from 11 Dec. 9 Hen. VIII. to 4 June 18 Hen. VIII. 5 counterpoints of veerdours, bought from Mr. Toney's executors, Oct. 18 Hen. VIII., one of which was delivered to the dean of my Lord's college at Oxford, 28 Jan. 19 Hen. VIII.

Quilts,—sarcenet paned, with my Lord's arms and a crown of thorn in the midst; changeable silk, green and yellow, given by my lord of St. John's; yellow silk, given to the dean of Wells, Jan. 19 Hen. VIII., and 7 others. 20 quilts wrought with thread, received in the wardrobe from Mr. Hennage, 8 May 15 Hen. VIII. 12 down beds, some made in July 9 Hen. VIII., of the new Normandy ticks, and one given to the dean of Wells, Jan. 19 Hen. VIII. 38 others, made June 10 Hen. VIII. and 22 Dec. 13 Hen. VIII. with Normandy ticks; the down of one was taken out and put into a

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fustian tick for my Lord, 28 May 20 Hen. VIII. A few others with Brussels ticks, one given by Mr. Tonyes, Aug. 18 Hen. VIII. 100 coarse ticks, filled with feathers, for the yeomen, bought of Richard Gresham, 17 Hen. VIII. 7 Brussels ticks, filled with feathers, bought of Mr. Tonye's executors, Oct. 18 Hen. VIII. 78 feather beds, some with bolsters; one bought for Pygoote, master of the children, 11 Dec. 9 Hen. VIII., and others bought 22 Dec. 13 Hen. VIII. and 21 Nov. 15 Hen. VIII. 2 ticks filled with feathers, received from the privy wardrobe, March 17 Hen. VIII. 157 mattrasses of wool, covered with cresse cloth, fine linen cloth, fustian and canvas; 32 of which, covered with holland cloth, are for my Lord's own bed. 3 flock mattresses and bolsters, bought 27 Feb. 18 Hen. VIII. 24 down and feather bolsters. 88 pillows of down, some bought from the executors of the lord of Durham and Mr. Tonyes.

Pillow beres, of black silk, with fleurs de lys of gold; of white silk, with red fleur de lys; and other sorts. Several pairs of fustians and holme fustians. 56 pairs of blankets; and 2 blankets, one of white coksalle, the other of white frieze, both furred with fine white lamb. Sheets of fine and coarse holland, lokerham, housewife's cloth, Brussels cloth, and Normandy white.

Silk table carpets, some of English making, with roundels, mullets, and other decoration; one received into the wardrobe at Richmond, Dec. 17 Hen. VIII., and 2 bought of Tonye's executors. Cupboard and foot carpets, 1 presented by Sir William Weston of the Roodes. 85 window carpets. 60 carpets received from Venice, 24 Oct. 12 Hen. VIII. 18 window carpets given to my Lord, by my lord of St. John's, in 14, 15 and 16 Hen. VIII.

5 chairs of estate of cloth of tissue and cloth of gold. 19 chairs; one having on the back C. and M. knit together, and roses; others with cardinals' hats and pomegranates, and my Lord's arms. 2 close chairs, covered with black velvet. 4 chairs, received in the wardrobe at York Place, from Richard Gresham, 9 April 15 Hen. VIII., covered with black velvet, with a cardinal's hat and a double cross wrought in crimson satin and Venice gold. 8 chairs covered with Naples fustian. 9 chairs covered with red leather, and 2 with white frieze leather. An old round turning chair.

13 cushions of old remain, of cloth of gold, red cloth of tissue, and green velvet figury. A cushion of cloth of gold recovered for my Lord's journey to France, 19 Hen. VIII. 38 other new cushions, made 12, 13, and 14 Hen. VIII.; and 2, of cloth of gold and violet satin, received by Hennage from my Lord's chamber, June 17 Hen. VIII., and many others, old and new, embroidered with a cross and four lions, gold flowers, and birds; one of blue and green velvet for my Lord's mass book; crimson satin with my Lord's arms and an eagle; needlework, with a pelican; red bawdekyn, with stars and birds; carpet cushions, with cockatrices, red harts, roses, and ragged staves; veerdours and tapestry, with "cadons," flowers, and a hart and birds; and 1 cushion of green say.

8 pair of brass andirons, with my Lord's arms, mermaids, lions, angels, and fools. 17 pair, of iron, with my Lord's arms, and cardinals' hats, lions, dragons, the arms of England, roses, and bells. 62 latten and 12 iron plates "to set in candles." 15 fire forks, weighing 84 lbs. 21 fire pans, weighing 61 lbs. 19 pair of tongs. 35 pewter basins for chambers, some bought against the King's coming to Hampton Court, 12 Hen. VIII.; against the Emperor's coming thither and against my Lord's journey to the More. 54 pewter pots for chambers, some bought 23 Oct. 19 Hen. VIII. 13 close stools covered with scarlet and black velvet. 23 barehides, mostly of 5 hides (a hide being 5½ yards). 16 cloth sacks, bought of John Ryott and William Meryngton of London. 8 leather cases for trussing beds. 6 canvas paliotte cases made for my Lord's journey to Guisnes. 11 cart canvases, one of

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which was "dampned," 26 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII. 6 window curtains of changeable sarcenet, and 6 of red, orange, and blue sarcenet, made 13 Sept. 16 Hen. VIII. 5 canvas curtains to be drawn before my Lord's plate in his ewery and before his stuff in the wardrobe at Hampton Court. 33 trussing bedsteads, one of alblaster, with my Lord's arms and flowers gilt; another gilt and painted given by Mr. Tonyes. 4 chests at Hampton Court; and 10 at Westminster, one bought for my Lord's journey to France, 19 Hen. VIII.

Other necessaries of the wardrobe, yellow cotton for chairs and cushion cases, made 9 June 21 Hen. VIII.; fumigation pans; 3 looking glasses at Hampton Court, and latten candlesticks, bought by Mr. Wulsey of the privy chamber, Nov. 19 Hen. VIII.

The inventory of my Lord's napery, belonging to the Ewery.—The remain, taken by Robert Tonyes, Laurence Stubbes and William Bulla, 31 July 8 Hen. VIII., then being in the custody of John Martyn, yeoman of the Ewery. Board cloths, cupboard cloths, napkins, and towels. Remain of napery for my Lord's privy chamber and cellar, taken 31 July 8 Hen. VIII., being in the charge of William Bulla, and other napery in charge of Thomas Alwarde, and afterwards Miles Forrest. Store of napery committed to the custody of Laurence Stubbes from 8 Hen. VIII. to 12 Hen. VIII. List of plain cloth made into Ewery stuff. Six long cushions of blue cloth of gold and blue velvet figury, made Dec. 17 Hen. VIII.; and two others, one with a double rose and a leopard's head in the midst, received from the gallery at York Place, Jan. 18 Hen. VIII. Two square cushions. 4 ceilers and testers of satin, and one of diaper work. A joined bed of carved wainscot. 3 ceilers and testers of right arras, with fowls and beasts and children playing; and 3 of fine veerdours with curtains. Others of veerdurs, tapestry, dornycks, green and red say and bawdekyn, one being bought from the executors of my lord of London, and delivered to Mr. Fraunces at the More by Henry Lewys, 17 Hen. VIII. Sparvers, cloth of gold and purple satin paned, with lord Standley's arms and I. and S. knit together; cloth of tissue and crimson velvet, made for my Lord's going to Bridges, 13 Hen. VIII. Cloth of silver and green satin, sometime the lining of two gowns. Blue and crimson velvet, set with green scollop shells of silver embossed with needle work, and S. of gold on each of them, with an image of St. James in the middle pane; and others of damask, sarcenet, bawdekyn, dornyckes, and say. 4 sparvers of plunkette, with valances, mantles, and fringes, made 4 Jan. 18 Hen. VIII. 9 ceilers and testers and two trussing beds of sarcenet. A quilt of red cendalla lined with green linen. 16 window carpets received from my lord of St. John's, 8 Dec. 16 Hen. VIII. 4 English and 1 foreign carpet bought from Mr. Toney's executors. 12 carpets of beyond-sea making, received from my lord of St. John's, Jan. 18 Hen. VIII. 2 carpets received from the privy wardrobe, late the dean of Wells. 12 window carpets, late Dr. Hanyballes, received of Dr. Stubbes, Jan. 19 Hen. VIII. A table carpet given to my lord, by my lord of St. John's, Dec. 20 Hen. VIII.; and another received by Mr. Alvarde from the gallery at York Place, 14 April 20 Hen. VIII. Cart canvases, made 20 June 19 Hen. VIII. and 5 May 21 Hen. VIII.

8 chairs, black velvet and red leather, provided by Richard Gresham Jan. 17 Hen. VIII.; and 4 more with my Lord's arms and letters, sent to Hampton Court, 19 Aug. 18 Hen. VIII. A crimson velvet chair, bought of Mr. Tonye's executors, 14 Jan. 18 Hen. VIII., and two others new made, June 19 Hen. VIII. 22 pairs of andirons; some lately Mr. Tonye's, from Durham Place, and some lately Dr. Hanyballe's.

Stuff lost and altered :—

May 15 Hen. VIII., a large Venetian window carpet and a blue velvet cushion, lost by fault of Mr. Wentworth and Ambrose Skelton, gentlemen ushers, during the Parliament held at Blackfriars. Two foot carpets worn

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and cut up to lay in head officers windows. A square cushion for my Lord's mass book, lost by fault of Mr. Burley.

May 16 Hen. VIII., a black velvet high-backed chair, burnt in my Lord's chamber at Westminster. 3 cart canvases spoiled.

4 July 16 Hen. VIII., a barehide worn out, and 2 foot carpets cut up for cupboards and windows for officers. A close stool, covered with black velvet, with a black cotton case, given to the King by the hands of Mr. Compton, 4 Nov. 16 Hen. VIII. 22 pieces of hangings, of cloth of gold, velvet and bawdekyn, and the ceiler, tester and counter point, made for my Lord's journey to Guisnes, broken up for copes and other stuff for the college at Oxford, Oct. 17 Hen. VIII.

Dec. 17 Hen. VIII., a worn table carpet, cut up for the head officers tables, May 18 Hen. VIII. 6 ceilers and testers, and 2 beds, cut up. July 18 Hen. VIII., a cloth sack given to Mr. Wynter, when he went abroad. A traverse made into a ceiler, &c., and 3 pieces of hangings used for the college. A pair of fustians received from Mr. Tonye's executors and given to the dean of Wells, Jan. 19 Hen. VIII.; and another pair received from Dr. Stubbys, the same date.

Tables, forms and other implements remaining at Westminster, Hampton Court and the court in Forrest's charge, 31 Jan. 14 Hen. VIII. Tables of fir, wainscot, cypress, and board, forms and cupboards, "folte and pleyne tristilles," bedsteads, fire screens and bellows. 2 tables with 2 leaves, of Christ taken from the Cross. 2 tables of Our Lady, one embroidered. At Hampton Court, tables of fir, &c., cupboards, forms, trestles, stools, chest boards, a pair of tables of bone, with the men, a clock, stillatories, an instrument of music in the great dining chamber, 84 standing bedsteads, 24 pieces of canvas.

Armoury.—2 pair brigandines, 3 sheaf of arrows, 2 cases, a broken bow, 2 halberds, one broken.

Chapel stuff.—Three pair of organs; images of St. John Baptist, Our Lady, St. John, Our Lady and Child, the Resurrection, St. Nicholas, St. Anthony, and St. Barbara; 3 superaltares; tables for altars, having images of Christ and Saints, the Three Kings of Cologne, the Trinity, the Passion, Our Lady and St. Anne, and a vernacle head; a latten cross; two latten candlesticks; a little brass sacring bell, and a greater bell for service; a latten holy-water stock and strynkyll; latten censers and a ship; a latten lamp; 4 lecterns; a pair of tin cruets; a parcel gilt chalice; a pax of tree with a glass therein; a copper gilt pax with a cypress for it; a corporas case, cloth of gold, black damask and green satin; printed mass and pricksong books, and another great printed book; a crucifix of tree over the choir door in the chapel; 2 bawdekyn vestments; 2 doses and redoses, velvet and sarcenet; 4 close altars of wainscot; 4 small painted cloths to hang before saints during Lent; a picture of Judas; a standard for the hallowing of the font at Easter; a pulpit; two cases for the small organs and their bellows.

Saints' apparel.—2 coats for Our Lady, crimson velvet guarded with cloth of gold and set with counterfeit pearls; and black damask, guarded with crimson velvet, and bordered with white satin; a cloth of blue satin of Bridges, embroidered with gold flowers and stars, to hang before Our Lady; a launde kerchief for her; a coat for her son, of black velvet, guarded with cloth of gold; a coat of blue damask for St. John; a coat for him, of tinsel satin guarded with crimson satin.

July 18 Hen. VIII., 4 ceilers and testers of cloth of gold and velvet figury. 2 others given by Mr. Toneys to my Lord, Aug. 18 Hen. VIII.; given to Mr. Dean of Wells, Jan. 19 Hen. VIII. A ceiler and tester of cloth of gold.

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R. O. An inventory of the stuff [Wolsey's] in the North :—

The best stuff :—14 silk cushions, baudekin with swans, purple, violet and other colours. 11 other cushions; 3 of carpet work with "mylnepykkes," and others of tapestry and verdours. 7 carpets. 8 testers for trussing and standing beds of sarcenet, satin and damask. A sperver of baudekyn and Turkey satin, with blue and green sarcenet curtains. 5 counterpoints of satin, baudekyn and camlet. 6 counterpoints of arras work and verdors, embroidered with imagery, beasts and fowls, and roses. 16 hangings of tapestry and verdours. 11 feather beds and 8 bolsters. 4 trussing bedsteads. Pewter platters, chargers, &c. Napkins, towels, tablecloths, sheets. Brass pots, spits, &c. for the kitchen ordnance. 12 coffins with bows and arrows. 6 brass guns on wheels. 21 hagbushes. 12 half barrels of powder, bowstrings, gunstones, &c.

Stuff of a second sort and in decay:—17 beds, 20 bolsters, 14 pillows, table linen, sheets, carpets, &c.

Stuff not able to do service :—6 carpets. A long banker. 2 chimney pieces. 23 counter points, and a quantity of linen and kitchen stuff.

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R. O. "Plate of gold and silver delivered and appointed by the King's highness to York Place."

A [bowl] of gold with a cover, garnished with rubies, [diamon]ds, pearls, and a sapphire set in a collet, 30 oz. A gold cruse, with a cover. A gold cup of assay. A crystal glass garnished with gold. 6 gold spoons. A gold strainer for oranges. A gold salt garnished with pearls and stones, and a white daisy on the knop. Another with K. and H. knit together, and red and white roses. A cup with a cover; on the knop, a green mountain and a man-at-arms. 6 bowls with a gilt cover, with doppes about the cover, leopards' heads, lions, birds, and roses, with these words, "Juges le melior." Pots and flagons with various ornaments. 12 gilt spoons with the 12 Apostles. A salt with a gilt cover with scallop shells, antics in the feet, and a boy with a serpent on the cover. A gilt bason with the French king's arms in the cover. A gilt bason with a "bussel" in the bottom. A gilt layer of Spanish work, pounced with naked children and beasts. 18 gilt trenchers. A layer gilt wrought like a net. 2 gilt chargers. 12 plates, 12 dishes, and 12 saucers, marked with "f," others marked with "g."

Chapel plate delivered to York Place :—

A monstrant [for] the sacrament to be borne in procession: in the middle, a birrall; above, Our Lady in her assumption; above that, a cross with many antiques. Images of St. John Baptist, the Trinity, Our Lady, St. John the Evangelist, and St. Anne. Holywater stocks, &c.

A gold cup with a cover, and the top-castle of a ship upon the knop. A gold salt with two pillars chased upon the knop. A gilt cup; on the cover a man with a head in one hand, and a sword in the other. Another, with a man-at-arms having a halberd and shield. 2 flagons, gilt, with these words, *Dominus mihi adjutor*, and the King's arms. Various basons, layers, spoons, trenchers, &c.

Chapel plate at Hampton Court :—

A monstrant with a birrall, and a crucifix with Mary and John. Images of Our Lady; St. Dorothy, with a reed in one hand, and a basket of flowers in the other; Saint ————*, with a saw in one hand, and a ship in the other; Saint ————*, with a cross and a book. A gilt chalice and paten, with a vernacle upon the paten; another, with the Trinity upon the paten, and on the foot, "Hely hely lamasabathany." A pax, gilt, with a Resurrection. A bason for the lavatory, parcel gilt, with a horse graven in the bottom.

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Plate delivered to Greenwich :—

Basons, cups, salts, pots, spoons and flagons.

Chapel pl[ate delivered to Gre]newiche :—

A cross of birrall. Images of Our Lady, Margaret, and other saints. A chalice and paten, with the Cardinal's arms. A gilt bell, &c.

Plate delivered to the More :—

A cruse with a portcullis and a rose. 6 bowls, with cardinals' hats and the Queen's arms. 4 bowls, with great marteletts, and on the cover a leopard's head with a ring in his mouth; flagons, salts, layers, &c.

Chapel plate delivered to the More :—

A crucifix with Mary and John. Images of Our Lady with a child and sceptre; St. Andrew, with a book; Jesus, with a diadem on his head, and the world in his hand; and Mary Magdalene, with a box and a book. Chalices, paxes, cruets, &c.

Chapel plate delivered to Windsor :—

A great cross, with Mary and John, gilt and enamelled. A silver gilt monstrant with 3 birralls. Images of William of York, with his cross, St. Paul, St. James, St. Philip, St. Thomas of Inde, with a spear, and others. A ship, gilt, with little angels. A rector staff with the King's arms; a corporas case, and a canopy for the sacrament, of needle work; chalices, candlesticks, &c.

The weight of all the articles is given.

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6185. SUBSIDY ROLL.

R. O. Assessment of household of card. Wolsey,—commencing, Sir Thos. Dennis and Sir Wm. Gascoigne, at 13*l.* 6*s.*; lowest assessment, 1*d.*; total, 429 persons. Ditto, 10 Jan. 16 Hen. VIII., per manus Thomæ Stanley, 29 Feb.,—commencing, Sir Thos. Dennis and Sir Wm. Gascoigne, at 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; John Cromwell, 40*s.*; Robert Cromwell, 4*d.*; total, 250 persons, 326*l.* 18*s.*

No notice of Thomas Cromwell.

6186. WOLSEY'S EFFECTS.

R. O. 1. "Silks and cloths of gold that my lord his Grace hath of Richard Gresham's:"—A piece of counterfeit baudekin silver and red silk, 20*s.* a yard. Do. gold and blue silk, 20*s.* Cloth of gold plain damask, the ground blue, 26*s.* 8*d.* A rich cross with the langet for a vestment with 4 pieces, for deacon, subdeacon, and priest, 11*l.*

ii. "Silks and cloths of gold which my lord his Grace hath of John Gresham:"—A piece of pluncket tynsen satin, 8*s.* a yard. 2 pieces of white satin, 5*s.* a yard. A piece of cloth of gold and red velvet upon velvet church work pirled, 26*s.* 8*d.* a yard; another, at 23*s.* 4*d.*

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R. O. 2. "The answer of Mr. Cade and Richard Tomyow to Master Cromewell upon a bill of Ric. Basden enclosed within the same Mr. Cromewell's letters unto my lord's Grace."

Basden acknowledges having received 16*l.* for 12 barrels of salmon, but we think Gostwyck paid him 20*d.* a barrel more. As to his first claim of 31*s.* for 31 cods delivered to my Lord's use at Duresme Place in June 1528, it must be supposed he would have sued out his debenture within the year, which if not paid he should be able to show. To the second, viz., of 48*s.* 4*d.* "for beateng of 2,900 stokfysh *in diebus illis*," we wonder he does not express what year it was due. If in 1528, as he says will appear by the

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debenture, Cade admits he would be bound to pay it if the debenture had been engrossed in his account of that year, which it was not. The third "for beateng of 1,900 stokfyshe, anno 1529," we do not oppose, though it was owing to Basden's own negligence it was not called upon among the other debts discharged by the King at the departure of my lord's Grace from York Place to Assher. His fourth, fifth and sixth demands are also contested; the fifth on the ground that he has been paid already. As to his "old and desperate debts, anno 1526," for baysalt delivered to Thos. Raulyns at 3*s.* 4*d.* a bushel, &c., he must seek his remedy from those who were my Lord's officers in those days, who, we suppose, owe my Lord more than ever will be recovered of them. Basden therefore has no right to a penny allowed of my lord's Grace; but should make immediate payment for the 12 barrels of salmon and 18*s.* 10*d.* for 106 stockfish, which, by slackness of the lardener, were not called out of his hands, being the residue of a number he received to beat for my Lord's household between Michaelmas last and my Lord's late removal from Sheene towards these parts.

We cannot answer about the wheat received from the King's granators without consulting Mr. Elis, the priest. Cade will consult with Cromwell about a claim of Coxe, the fellmonger. Thos. Stepkyn has been paid for some herrings, most of which were returned to him. "So that I (Cade) trust of the premisses, and such money as my lord's Grace will have made of his hay at Sayes Courte with the money that also Maister Hughes standeth bound for to pay at Michaelmas next coming, I will so stand betwixt my lord's Grace and his creditors, viz., Hublethorn, the draper, Henry Posyer, grocer, and the King's granator, that none of them shall exclaim upon my Lord for their duties."

Signed: "Your, Thomas Cade, Ric. Tomyow.

Add. MS. 24,359, f. 42. B. M.

3. Gilt plate :—A deep goblet, with an image of St. Dunstan on the cover, 70¼ oz. 3 great salts chased with suns, with a cover, 121¼ oz. 6 bowls, with a cover marked with the Holy Lamb, 171 oz. 6 bowls with a cover, 168 oz. A standing afte cup, given by the abbot of Abingdon, with an image of St. George on the knop of the cover, 42½ oz. A standing cup with a cover, graven with presses and tuns, given by Robt. Preston, 20 oz. 8 standing cups with covers, 208 oz. 3 goblets with a cover, 71⅝ oz. =872⅝ oz.

Parcel gilt plate :—6 goblets, with 2 covers, 143 oz. 2 pottle pots, 103½ oz. 4 3-pint pots, 171½ oz. 3 basons and 3 ewers, 248 oz. A standing nut with a black shell and a gilt cover, 37 oz. 12 white cruses with a cover, 109¾ oz. 6 doz. spoons; 2 doz. with cups, 2 doz. with buckles, and 2 doz. with wreathen pummels, 100½ oz. 18 flat mazers, 86 oz. 4 standing mazers with 3 painted covers, and silver-gilt knops, 52¼ oz. A standing mazer, of John Russell's gift, in the beadle's keeping, 10 oz. A piece of silver made for a "skantelyn" for the gold-beaters, 1⅝ oz. A gold ring with a stone with a dead man's head graven outwards, ¼ oz. 1 dwt. Total parcel gilt, 1,063 ⅛ oz.

Every mazer, "tree," 2 oz. The shell of the nut, 5 oz. Every painted cover, 1½ oz.

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2. To John Tayler, Master of the Rolls. Warrant to cancel a recognizance of 1,000*l.* made by Thos. Kytson on 11 June 15 Hen. VIII. Greenwich, 2 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. —S.B.

3. Thos. Mone, yeoman of the Guard. To have the fee of the Crown of 6*d.* a day, *vice* John Amadas. York Place, 19 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 3 Jan.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 8.

4. John Richardson, *alias* Tyler, of Southwark, tyler. Pardon for felony. York Place, 29 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Jan. (?Feb.)—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 4.

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11. Wm. Man, merchant, of York. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clifford, vice-captain of Berwick. York Place, 4 Dec. 21 Hen.VIII.—*Del.* Westm., 11 Jan.—P.S.

12. Katharine Broughton. Livery of lands as one of the daughters and co-heirs of John Broughton, deceased, with Anne Broughton, sister of the said Katharine, another daughter and co-heir of the said John, and one of the sisters and co-heirs of John Broughton, s. and h. of the said John, likewise deceased; on her moiety, part and purparty of the inheritance of the said John the father or John the son, in England and Wales, and of the possessions of which Anne Russell, now wife of Sir John Russell, Sir Robt. Drury, Wm. Drury, Thos. Lestrange and Anne his wife, Robt. Norwich, serjeant-at-law, and John Smythe, were seized during their lives. Also licence of entry to Thos. card. of York, Wm. archbp. of Canterbury, Thos. duke of Norfolk, late earl of Surrey, John earl of Oxford, John Bouchier lord Barnes, Thos. Fynes lord Dacres, Edmund lord Howard, Sir Philip Tilney, Sir Wm. Rouce, Sir Thos. Blenerhassett, Sir John Mordaunte, Robt. Norwich, serjeant-at-law, and Hen. Chauncey, as trustees to the use of the said Katharine and her heirs. *Del.* Chelsea, 12 Jan. 21 Hen.VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *ms.* 30 *and* 31.

12. Baldwyn Willoughby, sewer of the Chamber. To be bailiff of the manor of Yardeley Hastinges, and to have the custody of Roundehay, parcel of Yardeley Chace, Northt., in the King's hands by the minority of Peter, s. and h. of Sir Wm. Compton. York Place, 19 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Jan.—P.S.

17. John Mymme, one of the King's auditors. Lease of the site of the manor of Nethercourte, and all houses, &c. belonging to the said manor, in the lordship of Chelmershe, parcel of the earldom of March, Salop; with reservations, for 21 years, at the annual rent of 4*l.* 2*s.*, and 4*s.* 8*d.* of increase; from 1538, on the expiration of the lease held by Roger Wolriche and Wm. Magotts. *Del.* Chelsey, 17 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 21.——*Vacated as appears on the dorse of the patent among the King's writs.*

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24. Herman Bamghramgh, merchant of the Steelyard. Safe-conduct for himself, his wife, servant, and three horses; going to Antwerp. *Del.* Westm., 24 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. —S.B.

25. Constantio Benet, native of Rhodes, in Greece. Denization. Greenwich, 9 Jan. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Jan.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 16.

25. Nich. Delborgo, of the Order of Minorites (S.T.P.), an Italian. Denization. York Place, 21 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Jan.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

26. Stephen Leder, clerk. Presentation to the parish church of Pertenhale, Linc. dioc., *vice* Robt. Hode, deceased. *Del.* Westm., 26 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 26.

26. Wm. Stephenson, mariner, late of Kingston-upon-Hull. Pardon for having killed Anthony Lin, mariner, on 30 Dec. 13 Hen. VIII. Greenwich, 30 Oct, 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 26 Jan.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

28. Robt. Courson, Hen. Rence, and Roger Fissher, yeomen. Presentation to the next canonry and prebend in the church of St. Mary Magdalene, Brigenorth, Salop. York Place, 25 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 Jan.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

28. Wm. Parr and John Docwray. To be seneschals and receivers of all lands in Pembroke, on surrender of patent 28 Aug. 1 Hen.VIII., granting the office to Wm. Parr alone. York Place, 22 Jan. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 Jan.—P.S.

29. Robt. abbot of the monastery of the Blessed Virgin Mary, of Woburn, Beds. Licence to hold two fairs annually in the town of Woburn; one on the eve and morrow of pope St. Gregory, the other on the eve and morrow of the Visitation of the Holy Virgin Mary. York Place, 27 Jan. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 Jan.—P.S.

30. Bartram de Mullet, merchant, late of London. Pardon for having stolen certain property belonging to Wm. Maister, stationer, in the parish of St. Dunstan in the East, in the ward of the Tower of London. York Place, 31 (*sic*) Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 30 Jan.—P.S.

30. John Wyn ap Meredd' ap Jevan ap Robert. Lease of the towns of Dolwethan, Treffrewe, and Ewydyr, in the commote of Nanconwey, parcel of the principality of N. Wales, with reservations, for 21 years, at the annual rent of 111*s.* 10*d.* for Dolwethlan, 8*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* for Treffrewe, and 4*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.* for Ewydyr, and 75*s.* newly acquired, and 5*s.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 30 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 13.——*Vacated on surrender by the said John, by virtue of a writ of dedimus potestatem directed to Hugh Peick,* 28 *Aug.* 2 *Edw. VI.*

31. Thos. Sawyer. Licence to export 500 quarters of corn. York Place, 29 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 31 Jan.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 4.

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1 Feb. **6188.** [GHINUCCI to CROKE.]

Vit.B.XIII.44. B. M.

When he received Croke's letter yesterday, saying that he had sent a book, thought he referred to another book, not the one which he sent, and that the messenger was not safe. Was disturbed in consequence. Has today received *liber de Harmonia*, and thanks him for it. Will write again on Thursday by a servant of his own. Bologna, 1 Feb. 1530.

Asks him not to write till his servant arrives, and to obtain as many subscriptions as possible from persons of learning and authority. Will provide money, so that he can make presents to persons who are or can be useful to the cause.

Received 5 Feb.

Lat., p. 1, *copy by Croke.*

2 Feb. **6189.** [GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.]

Vit.B.XIII.35. B.M.

" *Scripsi ad majestatem vestram xxvj. Januarii quasdam par[ticulas] quibus significabam Andream reperisse in regestris [nonnulla] brevia de tempore Julii, quorum aliqua erant pro nobis, aliqua contra [nos] . . . . m est ex quo habeo conmoditatem particularius de his sc[ribere] quæ sint contra nos; unum est directum Perusiæ, quæ est civitas . . . . . sub data xxvi. Decembris millesimi quingentesimi quinti ponti[ficatus nos]tri anno tertio; aliud est directum civitati Interanensi quæ [est] Papæ, et est sub data † Decembris millesimi quingentesimi qui[nti pontifi]catus nostri, anno tertio, quæ videtur posse credi, quod inveni [quod hæ] solent communitates talia bene servare, et ego in itinere versu[s] . . . . . faciam caute super hoc diligentiam; aliud fuit directum [com]missario Papæ, cujus nunc non habeo notitiam, sed investiga . . . . . [ma]gistro Johanni Clarer ordinis Sancti Dominici, Cristianissi[mi] regis confessori, et es[t] sub data ‡ Decembris millesimi [quingentesi]mi quinti, pontificatus nostri anno tertio, quod forte poterit [inve]niri. Ex quo enim in registris invenitur varietas vi . . . . . nda diligentia de inveniendis originalibus, quia vel . . . . . registrantem errasse et originalia non ita habere, ve[l] . . . . . certe valde mirandum videretur scilicet duos s . . . . . et ad§*

f. 35 b. * * * . . . *dam tempore servatos fuisse, et poterit majestas vestra habita . . . . . certitudine circa id quod concernit breve reginæ certiorem resolutionem accipere de his quæ faciunt in favorem. Unum est directum [co]llegiatis collegii de Ruere civitatis Avinionensis, et continet querelam adversus illos quod admisissent in collegium illud quenda[m] Jacobum Bocheti sine licentia ipsius papæ Julii, et est sub data ‖ Decembris, millesimo quingentesimo sexto pontificatus [nos]tri anno tertio, quod puto poterit reperiri, quia collegia solent etia[m] hæc bene custodire. Duo alia sunt directa nonnullis Italis . . . . . ambo sunt sub data † Decembris millesimi quinge[n]tesimi sexti pon[ti]ficatur ¶ nostri anno tertio, et sic habemus inclusis primis octo . . . . . [i]n favorem, undecim, ex quibus spero aliquod originale poterit reperiri . . . . . pro hoc faciam omnem diligentiam prout etiam faciam in reperiendis [instrumenti]s que in regestris inveniuntur contra nos, excepto supra di[cto] . . . pro magistro Johanne Clarer, quia dato quod nos etiam plura reperiremus in [favorem] nostrum parum nobis viderentur prodesse posse si adversa[rii repe]rirent aliqua facientia contra nos bene videtur dificile quod o . . . . . ta a contra nos possim reperire sed ut dixi faciam om . . . . . b suarii* * *

† γ^{19} γ^{16} in orig. ‡ γ^{19} γ^{15}.

§ The following passage is written in the margin, but it is uncertain where it should be inserted:—"*et hoc habet tam* γ^{19} γ^{14} *Decembris millesimo quingentesimo quarto pontificatus nostri anno secundo.*"

‖ γ^{16}. ¶ Sic.

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patrem quam ad patruelem vel consobrinum. Quoad res Florentinas communiter dicitur Cesareos tepide in hoc [pro]cedere et Papam bene omnia cognoscere et advertere, tamen arte . . . . . tria omnia dissimulare. Secunda Februarii."

Cipher, undeciphered; mutilated.

Add.: "Sere[nissimæ regiæ majesta]ti." *Endd.:* "Gifræ Wigorn, sub die ij. Februarii."

2 Feb. **6190.** [GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.]

Vit.B.XIII.33. B.M. "*Ex copia licterarum nuper a Croco habitarum quarum copia [vide]bit majestas vestra qualiter res Venetiis procedant, ego [quia non potui] ita procedere prout vellem, nec valens præ inbecillitate [mea] promptius remedium cogitare, misi Venetias unicum frat[rem meum] qui auxilio et favore quibus possit Croco adsit, curetque quantum [sit] possibile ut bibliotecam publicam videre, libros lege[re et ex] iis, quod sibi libuerit, transcribi facere possit, quod [non solum] Veneti et Patavini theologi, sed etiam ipsorum medio alii si fie[ri possit] in partes majestatis vestræ trahantur, quodque minori cum diff[icultate] fieri possit, ut quæ Croco necessaria non desint, de ea quam po . . . . . rum quantitate providi. Non dubito Papam, prout alia scit, e[gres]sum fratris mei sciturum et causam inmaginaturum; nec defu[erit] qui sanctitatem suam particularius certificet, nec dubi[to] fratrem et me non parum periculi incursuros, non tamen propterea [omittam] facere quod potero, quicquid succedat. Ex nonnullis verbi[s] . . . . . nobis omnibus, dum dominus Crocus et dominus Sanson petieru[nt a san]ctitate sua licentiam discedendi, comprehendi potuit ipsu[m] . . . . . presertim quo (quando?) scivit majestatem vestram huc mittere [velit Dm.] Leum, et dominum Leeum procurare ut habeat i . . .* * * *

f. 33 b. *. . . . . disceptent, quod si faciat majori cum difficultate poterimus . . . . . doctos haberi, saltem qui se ostendant, nam non est dubitandum Papam mu[l]to plus auctoritate sua quoad hæc consecuturum quam nos. Faciemus tamen quod poterimus. Ego dixi sanctitati suæ quod potes[t] præsupponere quod majestas vestra non leviter in hoc negotio procedat, et quod ei non desunt viri doctissimi et graves qui secum sentiant, et quod esto [quo]d Imperatori persuasum sit, prout sanctitas sua innuebat, quod justitia . . . sit pro parte reginæ, non poterit hoc justitiam majestatis vestræ tollere, sed ad summum hoc poterit facere ut res apud sanctitatem suam . . . . . se non esse in his peritum fatetur dubia maneat, quod si maneat dubia cum necesse sit ad finem et terminationem negocii devenire sanctitas sua, ex nunc poterat se resolvere cui parti potius vellet gratificare, et cui magis expediret gratificare, bene enim poterit videre qualia erant gesta erga eam per majestatem vestram et qualia [e]rant aliorum, et quod majestas vestra non ut aliquid ab ea . . . . . portaret prout alii fecerunt, sed ex sola generositate et ma[g]naminitate pro ea fecit; et quoad scandala quæ præsupponebat bene . . . . . ret et libraret ut dein [im]minerent majora, et quoad id quo . . . . . Imperator ostendere se habere rationem præjudicii fie . . . . . cissionem quod hoc plus spectabat ad* * * *

f. 34. *post scriptas ultimas licteras habeo licteras [ab . . . . qui] ad me scribit unum amicum meum ibi existentem, quem re . . . . . eum feceram, ut per aliquem hic existentem, diebus il[lis inter] Nativitatem Domini et calendas Januarii aliquam porrigi facere . . . . . [supplica]tionem qua peterat aliquid per breve expediri, habuisse u[nam supplica]tionem sub data* † *Decembris, et quod in expeditione b[revis super]sedebitur donec ego ibi sim*

† γ^{19} γ^{15}, MS.

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*prout ordinaveram.† Credo quod isti non putantes nos cogitare ad urbem solum adverterint ad ea quæ hinc oriri videba[n]tur, sc . . . . . am amicum illum et nonnullos alios ab aliquibus diebu[s] . . . . . tepidius et timidius in rebus his se intromittere quam . . . . . facerent, et id causatum ex eo quod communi rumore per . . . . . eis id displicere sanctitati suæ et quod propterea quidam . . . amicus meus qui promiserit dare transumpta brevium quæ pri . . . . . runt in regestris noluit postea id facere quod non multi fa . . . . . rea quod ut per alias scripsi intendo facere diligentiam . . . . [ori]ginalia, et si expediret habere transumpta non omnino diffidere . . . . . ad urbem adventu aliquod posse habere, sed non possum non dole . . . . . met ministri nostra levitate res nostras difficiliores redda . . . . . num Caro et Sampsonum missam ad majestatem vestram at . . . . . lam super mutatione datæ quam fieri feci in * * **

f. 34 b. *continet datæ mutationem fieri in die Nativitatis Domini et non in [prima] die Januarii, nec alia die, et attestatur unus qui fuit ad servitia [do]mini Sigismundi ad (ab) anno millesimo quingentesimo tertio decimo usque ad [mi]llasimum quingentesimum decimum quartum, asserendo ita etiam audisse [a] quibusdam aliis, quos nominat, solitum servari; qui quidem nominati serviverant Segismundo per per ‡ annos. Dominus Tarbensis dixit mihi quod requi[si]tus a Benet instetit apud Papam nomine sui regis ne permittet in causa maje[s]tatis vestræ procedi, et quod Papa dixit quod si nos haberemus potestatem pro[mi]ttendi quod istip§ in causa non procederetur posset aliquid facere . . . . . alias se non resolvit super hoc. Ego puto quod Benet, ut est prudens . . . . x aliqua justa suspitione, de qua tamen ego non sum conscius, hoc apud dominum Tarbensem procuravit, alias videtur quod non fuisset expedi[e]ns id facere quia per recursum ad subsedia aliorum principum et [ma]jestatis vestræ auctoritati nimium detraheretur et adver[sa]rii [h]aud dubie audaciores redderentur. Secunda Februarii."*

Cipher, undeciphered, mutilated.

2 Feb. **6191.** [GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 36*. B. M. " . . . . *dominus Stokslcus huc venit disputaturus super causa [majes]tatis vestræ, ut mihi ab aliquibus dictum est, forte non erit ab [re] ut statim huc mittantur fundamenta adversariorum ad hoc ut [po]ssemus curare ea per illos qui in partes majestatis vestræ adduc[ti] sunt, et interim forte adducentur, refelli; nam non dubito quando [do]minus Stokslcius advenerit, papam qui jam ad hæc se reparare his diebus visus est adducturum pro parte sua plures theologos [fratrum] ex principalioribus, nam in Italia theologia fere non est ni[si] in fratribus, de quibus ipse arbitrio suo sa ‖ disponit hoc . . . . co propterea quod quando omnibus omnino notum erit papam in hac cau[sa] se intromissere, vix ut puto, aliquis ex Italis invenietur qui [p]ro parte majestatis vestræ se ostendere audeat, nisi forte qui pri[u]s preventus, aut vero aut ficto nomine sibi suggesto pro pa[rte] majestatis vestræ se declaraverit, et quoad hoc securius dormiemus [si] eis portam claudamus, qua forsan evadere curarent dicendo . . . . licet non adverterem ad hæc fundamenta quæ faciunt adversarii . . . [s]tatim de hoc monebo Crocum. Secunda Februarii."*

Cipher undeciphered, mutilated.

2 Feb. **6192.** RICHARD CROKE to [the BISHOP OF WORCESTER].

Vit. B. XIII. 29 b. B. M. Cassalis came to him late last night, with the sermons of Nazianzen, and the letters of Nazianzen and Basil. Told him they had been printed by Aldus 20 years ago. Heard nothing from him of the book they have been so

† *ordine veram*, MS. ‡ γ^{18}, MS. § Qu. *istic?* ‖ Sic.

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long looking for. Has not yet seen one book by his help, and he leaves to [Ghinucci] to see by collation of the catalogues how anxious he must be for them to see Nazianzen. He very kindly promised Croke ten ducats last night when complaining of his poverty. Complains of [Ghinucci's] neglect to write to him. Spends his days and nights in the libraries, and in reading, writing, disputing, and telling others what to write. All the books are here which Stokesley told him to read at Rome; and he has been told that Nazianzen's letters, which he most wishes to see, are here, and not at Rome. Has looked through the Rhapsodia of Macarius, Theodore, Acacius, Apollinarius, Origen, Gregory of Nyssa, Gregory Nazianzen, Chrysostom, Cyril, Severian, Gennadius, and many others, on the Pentateuch and Ruth, from which he has copied out much, and left much to be copied. "Ex rhapsodia in Lucam quam mihi a Theatino pater Franciscus Georgius [mu]tuatus est, quæ utcumque pro nobis facerent, jam excerpsi calamo . . . . legi præter ista ethica et aschetica Basilii ad monachos omnia . . . . ameron et Chrysostomi bonam partem in Genesim." There remains to be read Chrysostom on Matthew, and St. Paul's Epistles to the Romans, Colossians, Galatians and Hebrews. There are also Nazianzen's and Basil's Epistles, which will take him about a month. Asks for pecuniary assistance.

If [Ghinucci] is offended at his writing so much about Cassali's negligence, reminds him of his own danger if he does not speak of it. Fears that they will either injure him, or hinder the King's affairs. Encloses bitter letters of father Francis to himself; and [Ghinucci] cannot excuse himself from writing kindly to him. "Ausu[s sum] ego periculo capitis spondere ejus authoritate futurum ut tota acade[mia] Patavina, quod ad theologos attinet, pro nobis pronunciet, modo tu dioce . . . . Cæsare alterum effeceris, sed ut vel citra indignationem pontificis the[ologi] hic libere sententias suas dicant, vel senatus Venetus permittat nostras quæstiones Patavii publice disputandas." Will have two volumes of Nazianzen and Maximus from the library at Venice by his help, and owes to him the liberty of going to St. Antony's, and the promise of books on loan from St. Paul's. Has borrowed from him the Rhapsody, and the catalogues of St. Mark's and St. Antony's. Whatever Croke has done here, is owing to him. He has obtained the subscription of four learned theologians; owes to him Peter de Cremis, a doctor in law and theology, of great authority here, and Mark the Hebrew. [Ghinucci] fears that father Francis may betray his letters; and he, on the other hand, fears that [Ghinucci] will betray his writings before leave for a public discussion has been obtained from the Pope, and he will therefore withdraw the writings which Croke most needs, till [Ghinucci] assures him of his faith and of the King's gratitude. The Prothonotary's garrulity and [Ghinucci's] taciturnity have already cost Croke 10 gold pieces. "Ille enim [si] me regium esse non prodidisset jam omnia citra tumultum . . . . subscriptis nominibus habuissemus in manibus, nec minus . . . . in academia secreto quam modo palam sumus facturi. Et [tantis] impedimentis tuo per literas consilio occurrisses jam non . . . . . ttere tanta pecuniæ jactura ministrum meum."

Asks him to provide money. Goes to Rome in a month. Will write to the King when he has seen Nazianzen. Reminds him of the dispensations, and asks him to write to Foxe about the increase of his diets. Asks him to send any letters that may have come from England by the bearer. If he has no money at present, asks him to obtain for him a recommendation from Carru to Herewel, an English merchant here. The morning of the Purification.

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6193. [RICHARD CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Vit. B. XIII. B. M.

Has received no answer from him to his request to obtain permission for him to see the books of the bishops of Verona and Chieti. Pretended to the bishop of Chieti and Aleander that there were many princes who were desirous of founding a library, and he had been commissioned to search for books. Blames him for not answering his requests for money. Will be obliged to return to England, for he has not enough to support himself at Rome, or on the journey thither.

These are the points to which he expects an answer:—Whether he will write to the bishop of Verona for the Epistles of Nazianzen and Basil, Chrysostom on St. Paul's Epistles, and Maximus on the Old Testament. Whether he will furnish him with money to live here and at Rome, and to go thither. Whether he will write and thank father Francis, encourage him to continue, and promise that what he and others write will be kept secret until there is a public discussion. He has denied to the Prothonotary that he had written anything about the matter, or that he would write without the Pope's leave and the King's request. Whether he wishes any one to be suborned by father Francis to urge the Venetian senate to commit these conclusions to the school of Padua, by writings and canons to be determined. If this is done, father Francis does not doubt that the whole school will pronounce on our side. Knows that a great number of the Venetian and Paduan theologians depend so much on him "ut impellere . . . . . velit. Nec mirum [est si] ejus consobrinus, Marinus Georgius, ex illis duodecim primariis consiliariis et sena[toribus] . . . . sit et Patavinæ scholæ præfecturam habeat, publicisque in ea l[ecturis] stipendia persolvat, in quo numero fuit ante susceptum h[abitum] etiam pater Franciscus." Whether the judicial laws of the Old Testament are abolished altogether, or partly by the Gospel law. Whether the judicial laws are so distinguished from the moral laws that no law can be partly moral, partly judicial. Whether all the moral laws are natural. Whether the moral and natural laws of the Old Testament are always of such force that they are obligatory, even when no decree of the Church has been passed to confirm them. Whether the Pope can dispense with natural laws by his legitimate and ordinary power. "An litteras quas ad Stoxleium [misit] adhuc in Angli[am miserit]." Whether any letters have come for Croke from England, or any to Ghinucci about Croke. What he has done with Cardinal Grimani about the books. Begs him to write to the monks of St. Antony to allow Croke to have books at home to read. What Foxe and Croke are to expect about the dispensations. Whether he has received father Francis' book, and how many letters from Croke, that he may know if any have been intercepted. If they have, it must be ascribed to Ghinucci, not to Croke. Has always seen his letters inclosed in those of Ghinucci's servant, and he heard from Pandulphus that all had been delivered to Ghinucci. Wonders the more that he has done nothing.

Friar George tells him that the Prothonotary told him that Croke was an Englishman, and was here on the King's business; that the Emperor was strongly opposed to the King's cause; that the Pope, although he seemed to favor them secretly, dared not profess it for fear of him; and that there was much controversy about it in England. Friar Francis was much alarmed, but Croke appeased him. Yesterday Cassali said that today he would obtain permission for Croke to see the library of St. Mark, but he has not done so. Does not yet know the full sum he has spent on writers, but in books and gifts the amount is at least 20 cr. Out of 140 cr. has only 50 left, of which his servant's going to Ghinucci will cost 10. Everything is dear. Told Ghinucci's servant, whom he trusts, and he supposes Ghinucci trusts also, "ut scriberet quantum [pecuniæ] in scriptores et monachos et libros et victum insumerem ne to . . . . nos perfundere temere omnia. Dabimus

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rationem, cujus nos non pude[t] . . . . . in tempore respondisses si pecunia ad pecunia† adfuiss[et] . . . . Cassalis nos non irrisisset, jam fuissemus Romæ . . . . . Patavinum pronunciasset. Cras haud dubie libros . . . . . [San]cti Marci, quos quærimus, opera patris Francisci Georgii;" but today Cassali sent word by Ghinucci's servant that the catalogue which he had sent was a true one. As it does not contain the books which Croke wants, supposes he does not wish Croke to see them, and that he has persuaded the King that they are not there. Those who favor us are, Philip de Chremis, a noble lay priest, doctor in both laws and theology, who will write openly for us, and father Francis George, whose book the doctors have subscribed. Others who have written for us are Dr. Johannes Maria, Dr. Valerius of Bergamo, Paduans, and others, whose works are not as complete as he would wish. Will send them. If Croke had had money, or Ghinucci's advice, the King would already have obtained his wish in Italy with great glory.

Lat., draft, mutilated, pp. 2.

3 Feb. **6194.** [RICHARD CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Vit. B. XIII. 31 b. B. M.

Went on Wednesday to Cassali's house to know whether he had done anything about the library of St. M[ark]. Was kept waiting an hour and a half, and then told to come after dinner. When he returned, Cassali gave him a catalogue, as he said, of all the sacred books in the library. Obtained permission to copy it, and sends the copy with that of the genuine catalogue. Cassali has often assured him that it is correct, and that the Prince would not allow any book to be taken out of the library, but he might go there to read for an hour or two. When going to him on Thursday, in expectation of obtaining by his authority a book from St. Antony's, was told by his secretary that his master had no leisure, and he must come the next day. Went to him and to the library, but could not obtain the loan of Basil's works. Had already obtained free entrance to the library by the aid of father Francis. In this way Cassali makes Croke lose his time. On going to him the same morning, he called to him the Jew Jacob, and desired Croke to discuss with him. Refused, being angry at being thus betrayed to every one. He said the Jew had written on our side, and left his writings with his brother at Bologna. Asks him to find out whether this is true, "nam ubi ego [rogavi] ut Judei scripta videam, et unicum dicit fuisse exemplar [et respon]dere Judeum profiteri quod pro nobis scripserit, quod ubi [rescivi, Qu]id, inquam, nobis cum illo, qui cum res in lucem venerit, factum negabit suum?"

Not three days ago he said that no trust could be placed in the bishop of Chieti; but since he has often asserted that he is upright and faithful, and has asked Croke to go and discuss the matter with him. Refused to do this without a note from him to say that he desired it and the King wished it. He said that he had given security to the bishop of Chieti for a book which Croke borrowed, and had told the Bishop, who seemed doubtful of its being returned, that Croke was an honest man and an Englishman. Had himself said that he came from Flanders, and was named John, intending to use the Bishop's assistance in wresting from the hands of Aleander the book of Councils, which contains the letter wanted. Cassali says he has read it, and that it is Basil's, and not Nazianzen's. In confirmation he showed Croke the text in the 18th chapter of Leviticus, "sororem uxoris tuæ in pellicatum ejus non accipies," and said that Basil had written upon it, adding arguments about a woman who had married two brothers. To prove what he said, he

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referred to the Council of Neocæsarea, which the King's agents already know. Recollected that the book was Aleander's, and inspected it carefully. Saw among the names of those present at the council Basil and Gregory, and on the last page the decree of the council of Ancyra (*Acirani*) about a man who married two sisters, with the name of Basil again, so that he conjectures that the letter he wants is among those written by the bishops at those Councils. Would have had the book from Aleander if Cassali had not revealed that he was sent by the King. Ghinucci surely sees how they frustrate his diligence.

In consequence of Cassali's conversation, friar Francis was so alarmed that he threatened to withdraw his writings. Is obliged to dissemble to prevent injury to himself or the King's business. Owes much to father Francis for his assistance in obtaining catalogues and books from the libraries, and also for the use of a house belonging to his monastery, which his friends have furnished, and for which Croke only pays 2 *marcelli* "in [diem]." "Ut videas quantum illi debeat regis ca[usa] ipsius breviora quidem illa et Judeorum duorum scripta [brevia] mitto. Sed et Marci scriptum Hebraicum qui a . . . . . re scriptum Hebraicum quod unicum habeam apud me servo." Three doctors, public lecturers on the canons and on theology, have subscribed to the works of Francis. Doctor Joannes Maria and Philip de Cremis, a noble Venetian, doctor of law, canons, and theology, have written in the King's behalf at the request of father Francis. Another man, very learned in Greek and Latin, has promised to do the same. 28 and 29 Jan. and 3 Feb. in the evening. Venice.

Draft, Lat., mutilated, pp. 3.

3 Feb. **6195.** GHINUCCI to [CROKE].

Vit. B. XIII. 44. B. M.

Desires credence for his only brother, whom he sends to him. Bologna, 3 Feb. MD[XXX].

Received 5 Feb.

Lat., p. 1, *copy by Croke, mutilated.*

3 Feb. **6196.** S. VAUGHAN to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Received a few days ago his letters, much desired and wished for, by which he was glad to learn how Cromwell's business had succeeded. "You now sail in a sure haven. A merry semblance of weather often thrusteth men into the dangerous seas, not thinking to be suddenly oppressed with tempest, when unwares they be prevented and brought in great jeopardy." Hears of my lord of Rochford's departure from England towards the Emperor. Would have been glad if Cromwell were to go with him, as reported. Barrughe, 3 Feb. 1529.

Desires to be commended to Cromwell's mother.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his right worshipful master, Mr. Thomas Cromwell, in London.

4 Feb. **6197.** [RICHARD CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Vit. B. XIII. 32 b. B. M.

Yesterday, by the help of father Francis, obtained leave to read at home the canons of the councils with a Greek commentary (*cum commentu in Græco*), four synods, another Greek book of councils, Chrysostom's *Margarita*, Maximus' questions on Holy Scripture, Nazianzen's letters; but the beautiful volume with Basil's letters was not in the case, where Croke had left it. It is promised to him when he returns the others. Hears from the Prothonotary, and from others worthy of credence, that cardinal Grimani has here at Venice all the epistles of Nazianzen and Basil, and all

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the Greek councils, with epistles, decrees, and canons. Asks him to use his influence that Croke may obtain them to read. The letter he wants must be in one of them. His money is exhausted, though the rewards he gives are only about 13 cr., with which it will be seen that he has done more for his Prince than others with 5,000. Feb. 4.

Cassali wishes Croke to write a joint letter with him to the King. Asks Ghinucci's advice about it. Does not wish him to suspect that Croke knows his frauds, or is alienated from him.

Lat., p. 1, *draft.*

4 Feb. **6198.** FOR CUTHBERT TUNSTAL, BISHOP OF LONDON.

Rym.xiv.364. P. S.

Custody of the temporalities of the see of Durham, void by the resignation of Wolsey. York Place, 2 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Feb. *Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

6 Feb. **6199.** CHAPUYS to CHARLES V.

Bradford, 298.

Since my last the bishop of Rochester has finished revising the book which he lately wrote, and which he sent to your Majesty. Since then he has written another, which the Queen has forwarded at the request of the Bishop, to be examined at leisure, though he fears to be known as the author. His learning and piety are well known. The Queen's treatment is worse than ever. The King is always away from her as much as possible, and is here with the lady, whilst the Queen is at Richmond. He has never been so long without paying her a visit, and makes his excuse that one has died of the plague near her residence. He has renewed his attempts to persuade her to become a nun, to which she will never consent. The continual annoyance to which she is exposed constrains her to importune your Majesty to have a fixed resolution in her affairs.

John Joachim, the French ambassador, has brought money to pay private pensions here. He and Mons. de Langey were well received. Last Saturday they were sent for to Court, and invited me to dine with them on Sunday. I could hear nothing of Joachim's mission, except to recover the *fleur de lys.* They speak strongly in the favor of the Vayvode. In the course of conversation we touched on the subject of Dr. Stokesley, and his attempt to gain the decision of the Paris doctors in behalf of the King. At first they denied it, and then excused it; and then said that several who had been consulted by Stokesley had given their opinions against him. De Langey spoke so precisely, that I believe he had orders from his master to interest himself in this matter; and I am confirmed in it by a letter from an English resident in Paris.

One object of Joachim's mission was to reinstate the Cardinal in the King's favor, and, but for the lady, this would be easy, for it is thought the King has no ill-will to the Cardinal. His only wish is for the Cardinal's goods; and he is not very far wrong, for the Cardinal has spent very large sums of money, and said all he accumulated was for the King; and to take administration of it before the time was not much offence; considering also that the Cardinal, since he began to suspect his fall, and since his destruction, has always said that the King could not do him any greater good than help himself to all that he had. As a proof of the King's having no ill-will, I am told the King did not wish the Cardinal's case to be determined by Parliament, as, if it had been decided against him, the King could not have pardoned him. The said Joachim lodges at a house of one of the Cardinal's servants; and soon after his arrival, the Cardinal, though unwell, sent his physician, a Venetian (De Augustinis), in whom he has much confidence,

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and who stayed with Joachim four or five days. The French would spare no means to reinstate the Cardinal, for, whatever they pretend, they have no confidence in the duke of Norfolk.

The Cardinal has been ill, and some say feigned illness, in the hope that the King might visit him. He has not done so, but sent him instead a promise of pardon, on the news of which the Cardinal recovered. He will receive his patent today, retain the archbishopric of York, and a pension of 3,000 angels on the see of Winchester, for which he is to resign all other benefices. Besides 10,000 angels the King has given him tapestry and plate for five rooms. All the rest the King retains. His house in town has been taken by the King, who gives another in place to the see of York. Russell told me that in consequence of some words he had spoken to the King in favor of the Cardinal the lady had been very angry, and refused to speak with him. Norfolk told him of her displeasure, and that she was irritated against himself, because he had not done as much against him as he might. After this he asked Russell whether he thought the Cardinal had any expectation of returning to favor; and Russell told him such was the courage and ambition of the Cardinal, that he would not fail, if he saw a favorable opportunity; and that this was not unlikely if the King should require his advice. Then the Duke began to swear very loudly that, rather than suffer this, he would eat him up alive. To prevent such a contingency, the Cardinal has been forbidden to approach the Court within seven miles.

A cousin of the Cardinal's physician told me that the lady had sent to visit him during his sickness, and represented herself as favoring him with the King. This is difficult to be believed, considering the hatred she has always borne him. She must have thought he was dying, or shown her dissimulation and love of intrigue, of which she is an accomplished mistress. I have not been able to learn anything about the German, although I have used all sorts of arts to discover him. Gives an account of various devices for that purpose.

The bishop of Mayence has sent some one to speak to the King in favor of the Cardinal. Laurence Scavre (Stauber), the Nuremberg agent, returns with the servants of the duke of Saxony. Brian Turx (Tuke) told me that some of these Germans were sent by one who had written against Luther, but left me in great perplexity about it. He also said that the French desired an increase of confidence between you and the King; and that the King was resolved to manage his own affairs, and had nominated several councillors, that he might not be without assistance when Norfolk and the Chancellor are detained here. Suffolk has been appointed president of the Council for this purpose, with the same authority as the Chancellor, &c.

A lapidary has arrived here from Madame to examine the *fleur de lys*. More about the German. If you wish to know more about him, you must inquire of Laurence Scavre. London, 6 Feb. 1530.

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6 Feb. **6200.** For the MONASTERY OF MERTON, Winch. dioc.

P. S. Assent to the election of John Ramsey as prior, in place of John Lacy, deceased. York Place, 5 (?) Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 Feb.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

ii. Petition for the above. 2 Feb.

6201. THE DIVORCE.

Otho, C. x. 184. B. M. 1. "Eruditi cujusdam responsio pro regis defensione ad libellum Roffensis ep[iscopi.]"

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Otho, C. x. f. 2. B. M. 2. Treatise in favor of the divorce, and against marriages of affinity, in answer to some writer on the other side.
Pp. 314.

Otho, C. x. 179. B. M. 3. "Articles drawn out of the Scriptures, out of General Councils and certain learned fathers, both ancient and recent, that it is not lawful for one man to marry two sisters."
Pp. 6.

Otho, C. x. 182. B. M. 4. Another treatise on the same subject.
Pp. 4.

Add. MS. 4622, f. 104. B. M. 5. "Causes impugning the matrimony between the King and the Queen, and answers to the same.
"A compendious annotation of such points and articles as seemeth most vehemently to impugn the matrimony between the King's highness and the Queen's grace, the fact whereof is as followeth:
"Prince Arthur, of noble memory," &c.
Pp. 13.

6202. WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Lansd. 1236, f. 12. B. M. St. P. I. 357. Has been informed by his trusty friend Thomas Crowmuell that Gardiner signified to him that the King had willed Gardiner and others of the council to attend to the perfecting and absolving of his end and appointment, and that his pardon should be made in as ample a form as Wolsey's council could devise. Beseeches him to exert himself on his behalf, and trusts that some respect will be had to his degree, old age, and long-continued service, as shall be to the King's honor. Asher.
Hol. Add.: "To the rt. hon. and my singular good friend, Master Secretary."

R. O. 2. Form of a general pardon to A.B. (Wolsey) for treason and felony, escapes of traitors and of clerks convict, offences connected with the sealing of letters patent, procuring of bulls, suppression of monasteries, &c.
Draft, corrected, pp. 6.

6203. WOLSEY to [CROMWELL].

Cott. App. XLVIII. 19. B. M. "Myn only comfort, at the reverens of God leve me not nowe, for yf ye do I shal nat longe lyve in thys wrechyd world. Ye woll nat beleve how I am alteryd, for that I have herd nothing from yow of your procedyngs and expeditions in my maters."

Expected to see him last night, according to his letter. This delay makes him fear that things are not going right, or that sending Mr. Boner with the deed has put Cromwell in displeasure. Meant no harm by it, and charged him to communicate everything to Cromwell, and take his advice as to delivering the deed and declaring his credence. If Boner, for lack of wit and experience, has not done as he was ordered, why should Wolsey perish, which he undoubtedly will, if Cromwell does not [help him] as he hath hitherto done. Hopes he will not allow all his [former labors] for Wolsey to be cast away. Begs him to "redub" the matter, continue his accustomable goodness, and send him some comfort.

"Wryttyn thys mornyng with a moste hevy hert, by your assuryd, T. Carlis. miserri[mus et] infortunatis[simus.]"
Hol., pp. 2, *mutilated.*

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6204. [WOLSEY to CROMWELL.]

Cott. App. XLVIII. 18. B. M. St. P. I. 354.

"Myn owne good, trusty, and most assuryd refugye in thys my cala[mity]". Is so encumbered with heaviness and anxiety that he cannot remember everything, but trusts to him to supply what lacks. Most of the articles laid against him are untrue; those which are true do not show malice or untruth either to the Prince's person or to the good of the realm. Thinks the King should have the more pity on him, and that Crumwell may be plain to Mr. Treasurer, and specially [Mr.] Stevyns, "who, upon consyderacion thereof, may be the p . . . . [with] the Kyng in allottyng and appoynttyng of my p[ardon] . . . . yf he lyste. No man can do me more goode and yo[u] . . . . . your sylf referre that hys oppynyon was that I shuld [have no] lesse then 4,000*l.* yeerly to lyve with, wych myn . . . . . degre consyderyd ys with the lest, I cowde nat forbere [putting him] in remembrance hereof, remyttyng the betteryng ther[eof to your wisdom] and good handelyng; and as towchying the coyne† [of my mint], with the letters and bage (*badge*) in the same, ye may [for your better knowledge refer to] Robt. Amadas and other offycers of the [mint, who are] lernyd how the usage hath beyn [in ancient times]. I wold gladly have Arundell [here with me. Northumberland's] ontrewe and wrong informacion . . . . . ment and meane betwyxt hym . . . . . Mr. Nores, Sir John R[u]ss[ell] . . . . . me goode and evyr . . . . . lbe gretly to my [c]omfo[rt]" * *

Hol., p. 1, *mutilated.*

7 Feb. Vit.B.XIII.37. B. M.

6205. [GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.]

Wrote on the . . . . . month, and fully on the 28th ult. Does not think it well for "Magnificus Dominus [Nicolaus]" to return without a letter from him to the King. Was anxious to send by him or the Dean an attestation "qua [consue]tudine mutandi datam in brevibus," and other things which he did not like to send by the couriers, "volu . . . . . dominum Nicolaum‡" who has managed the King's business here with so much prudence and dexterity, that he leaves with the greatest satisfaction to the Emperor and the Pope. Sends also by him the judgment of a Hebrew, which he has obtained through a friend. Does not understand it, as it is written in H[ebrew], but a friend tells him ". . . . . judicium ipsum quod etiam cessante Deuteronomio non liceret accipere in [uxorem] relictam fratris defuncti sine liberis obstante Levitico." Would [send] this judgment to Croke if he had time, but as Caro is now [starting] he can[not] do so. Has, however, sent for other copies for him and Stokesley, and will try to obtain subscriptions to it, "et id fiat per peritiores * * * salibus dixisse dominum Stokesleium esse librum illum in quo est epistola [quam qu]erimus." Does not know what these writings contain; but . . . . . s, who does not know Greek, any more than Ghinucci does, says that he was told . . . . . "no Græco quem quærendæ illi epistolæ proposuerat quod non continent ipsa scripta . . . . . d quærebamus tum quod faciunt aliquid contra adversarios nostros quod facile p . . . . Majestas vestra," as there are Greeks there, whom he can safely [trust] to interpret them, which Ghinucci cannot do. Has sent a copy to Croke, and expects an answer in six days. Sends an original brief, which was dated to be expedited on 27 or 28 Dec., [when] the secretary had expedited it under the date of the 24th. Sends also an [ori]ginal supplication, to obtain which diligence was made on the last day of [Dec]ember, "et illa die fuerat habita super memoriali data parva ut in Francia [fieri] consuevit," but in the original the date of Jan. 3 was inserted. Does not send them because they are of any use in the King's cause, but that he may see that

† *i.e.*, the charge of putting his cardinal's hat on the coinage. ‡ Carew.

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Ghinucci has been diligent. Sends another supplication, "in qua fuit appo[sita] data parva, die 29 Dec., et tum postea in extensione fuit posita . . . . . pridie Id. Januarii, sed cum supplicatio illa contineat materiam compositiona[lem] . . . . . et non possit haberi absque solutione pecuniæ, visum est mihi non frustra proji[cere pecu]nias, cum quoad causam majestatis vestræ nihil operaretur, et quoad meam justificationem [prode]rit majestati vestræ videre breve et supplicationes superius dicta, præsertim cum . . . . . us meis memoriale unum cujusdam materiæ fictæ in Francia . . . . . ille cui cura data fuerat * * * majorem meam justificationem, hæc autem non sine mister . . . . . sic dubitandum non est, quandoquidem in omnibus actum fuerit de . . . . . per breve concedi solitis et nunquam negatis, et quoad datam, credo [nullum inve]niri posse qui dicat fuisse unquam præsertim circa talia in mate . . . . nis factam aliquam difficultatem."

Forwards also letters of D . . . . . sent to him to be conveyed either by Caro or the Dean. Sends them by the former, as he will travel faster. While writing, has received a letter from [Croke] to him and Sir Gregory jointly, dated Jan. 20, saying that he had only received Ghinucci's letters dated . . . . and exhorting him to greater diligence. Apologises for not writing more frequently. . . . . left before Ghinucci knew of it. Did not send a special messenger because —— "tum qu[ia] . . . . datum non fuit, tum potissime propterea quod nulla mihi data . . . . . tali diligentia aut sumptu; expediverunt autem duos Al . . . . . per quos non omisi scribere, immo forsan ex nimia . . . . . suis nimis tædiosus fui * * * a culpa ab ultima die Decembris usque ad 12 diem Januarii fuit pro[ductu]s discessus illius cursoris."

As Ghinucci has already written he did not know the cause of the [procr]astination, except that Caro and Benet said something to him about it a little before the courier's departure.

The King knows that he gave Ghinucci only two orders about his cause, viz., concerning the Queen's brief, and to obtain the writings of learned men on the difficulties of the cause. For the latter purpose, wants the book containing notes of the foundations of the case for the King and for his opponents, without which he cannot procure judgments or advice. The Dean was to have brought it, but did not; and afterwards a servant of the almoner came express from the King, and then Paul de Casali, but neither of them had it. Heard that the latter brought a book, but not the one which Ghinucci wanted, and he refused to show it to any one except the Pope, and only to his Holiness, ... while present himself. Paul added, what Gregory also had reported, that the King did [not wish] his cause to be decided by jurists, but by theologians. A courier came from the King on Jan. 12 or 13, but there was no word of the book. "Venit nunc alius cursor . . . . et pariter nullum verbum de libro; et non . . . . . Itaque * * * qui cum non mitteretur perplexus fui, et non ego solus sed et . . . . . non sine causa id factum." If, according to orders, he is to wait for the book, he must delay to obtain the opinions of learned men on those points which depend upon it. "Et tamen cum ex literis D. Pau[li], quas omnibus nobis S^tas^ sua legit, vidissem emanasse a S^te^ sua qu . . . . quo dicebatur prohibitionem ne quis ducat in uxorem relictam fr[atris] sine liberis esse de jure positivo et ab Innocentio iij^o^ id prohibitum [librum] quem expectabam non habuissem, et alia forsan superius dicta v . . . . obstare, ne tamen Papa quem videbamus ad hoc tendere, ut omnibus modis [probabi]libus suum breve justificaret, doctores per nos in principio a[nni], tam hic quam Paduæ conductos, in suam partem traheret; statim c[œpi] doctores hic solicitare ut super illo puncto, utrum sc. prohibitio ill[a sit de] jure divino se resolverent et idem curavimus de doctoribus

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Pa[duæ]. Quia per nos ipsos fieri non poterat, fuit cura illa demandata D[omino] Casalio, non solum fratri D. Gregorii et M^tis^ vestræ oratori, sed cui prout [Dominus] Paulus voluerat expresse M^tas^ vestra diligentias quæ circa hæc in p . . . . . faciendæ erant committi. Abiit itaque D. Prothonotarius paucis d . . . . forsan gravioribus, impeditus adhuc quod sciam nihil de . . . . saltem non scripsit, quare non valens egomet id . . . . ne de me et causa suspicionem darem Germ[anis] * * * sunt quoad punctum superius dictum, jam majestati vestræ scripsi; licet non scripse . . . . . de uno cujus curam habuit D. Gregorius, propterea quod præter id quod est compatriota [ejus] quod etiam sit affinis, per ea quæ audivi." He seems not yet to have resolved, and rather to incline to the side of our adversaries; but Ghinucci thinks he will change, as other doctors consider the matter to be quite clear. Did not think it well to solicit these or other doctors upon other points, because he had not the book, and for other reasons. Understood also from Paul that the King wished the matter examined by theologians, not jurists. There was another doctor at Sienna, of whom he has already written, who seemed unwilling to come to their side, though Andrew writes that he has hopes of him. So much for the jurists.

Has already told the King that there are no universities of theologians in Italy, and he does not think it advisable to try anything with individual theologians while the Emperor is here. Told Andrew, when he went to Rome to talk about this with Ghinucci's friends, " . . . et si qui alii famosi essent ad me rescriberet. Rescripsit autem nec illos nomina[tos nec no]tos nec alios famosos ibi esse, nec mirum, cum absente curia non sit pro illis Roma [opp]ortunus locus. Scripsit autem extra urbem esse unum ex nominatis cujus fratrem . . . . . nitus fuerat, eumque promisisse quod frater suus qui aberat pro majestate vestra scri[beret] . . que me postea et scribere inciperet, curaretque etiam alios pro parte [scripturos] . . . . . [Respon]dit mihi frater, per Andream, utrumque fratrem suum facturum . . . . . detinebatur." * * * Has another friend, about whom he wrote to Andrew; but he lives at some distance from the city, and Ghinucci can neither go himself, nor send any one to him. Will leave him to Croke, who is able and trustworthy. Told Andrew to try the bishop of Nebbio (Nebiensem). No time is being lost. Supposes the King already knows from Croke what may be hoped for. " In quo cum vider[em difficul]tates aliquas, diffidereque quodammodo ut posset ipse res ad votum m . . . . . misi sub alio colore illuc fratrem meum qui sibi adesset, et hæc fu[it] . . . . causa qua eum misi, licet etiam de rebus Paduanis ei commissionem . . . . . dixi; spero itaque et Crocum et fratrem rebus M^tis^ vestræ aliquam . . . . . daturos, nec vereor ante octo dies me de reli[quis] . . . . . Reliquum est ut de materia brevis * * * ordinaveram." Has before written of his success in that matter. Hears from Andrew that his friend has a supplication upon which the brief may be expedited, " id autem nunc bono respectu illis declarato non . . . . ri." Has compared with D. Gregory the attestations brought by Peter Van[nes], which the King wished to be reformed, and told him that the [King's] solicitor, by whom they were expedited, would be sent to [R]ome, as they would be more easily procured by him than by a new man, and suspicion would not be so easily roused. He has therefore gone to Rome, as the Pope was expected to depart hence every day; but afterwards he and the Emperor seemed to change their plan, as he wrote in his last letter. " [N]ec tam multum videtur hoc importare quia etiam quod in illa re quæritur, heri per duas atte[s]tationes quæ nunc mittuntur, quibus pinguiores non video posse nos expectare . . . . illis qui alias attestationes fecerunt. Et tamen cum ad aures D. Gregorii deventum . . . . . esse adhuc virum unum qui sub D. Sigismundo a principio sui secretariatus scripsit sca . . . . . est ad illum mittere pro habenda, si fieri

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possit, ejus attestatione. Redeundo ad . . . . . ordinatum est fratri et Croco ut quotquot idoneos repererint in partes majestatis vestræ . . . . . t eorumque consilia seu subscriptiones habeant, dentque necessarium ad id mer . . . . . habuerunt etiam alios habere. Item ordinatum est fratri ut . . . . . [pu]blicum sed dari sibi" * * *

His brother assists Croke in all he can, and will [not] allow him to suffer from want of money, or the King's affairs to be hindered. Both himself and his brother are very anxious to serve the King. Has no hope from his friends, who are drawing back, as he wrote in the letter mentioning the receipt of letters by Andrew.

Wrote on Jan. 28 and on . . . . month, and will write on hearing of any courier. Bologna, 7 Feb.

Lat, pp. 9, *mutilated.*

7 Feb. P. S. **6206.** For ALEXANDER FOX, SUB-PRIOR, and the MONASTERY OF TRENTHAM, Cov. and Lich. dioc.

Congé d'élire upon the death of Robt. Stringer, last prior. York Place, 3 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 7 Feb.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

2. Petition for the above. 29 Jan.

9 Feb. Vit. B. XIII. 44. B. M. **6207.** FRANCISCUS GEORGIUS to ———.

Has received his letters dated the 21st. Has no time to reply to details, which he will defer till the departure of another courier, which will be within two days. Urges him to obtain subscriptions from persons of learning or fame, and impresses on him the necessity of trusting no one. Will signify everything to Stephen, and will insist on his supplying his necessities. "Hodie dum . . . . . ac alterius dispensatione quo ad horas loqui cum eo a quo . . . . me eques præsens asserendo credere se jam . . . . . materiam carnium visum est . . . . . denegatum fuerit ut . . . . . incedendum f . . . * * * literarum quas scripsimus domino Francisco Cronico nobili Mediolanensi et doctori [in ut]roque jure peritissimo, ac in scriptura sacra Hebraica et Latina eruditissimo."

I want your opinion about an important case enclosed, and desire you to obtain subscriptions or writings about it from doctors of law and theology, for which you may promise rewards, which I will provide for, either by the merchants with whom you lived here at Venice, or by any one else whom you wish. I send what I have written. Another copy of it has been subscribed by eight theologians, and I shall be very glad if any one with you will do the same. It is a controversy about inheritance between friends of mine. Would not wish to give money to those who think the Pope can dispense, but to those who think the opposite, and agree with our writings, viz., that the Levitical law remains in force, and that Deuteronomy was conditional, and is not kept either by Christians or Hebrews, as they themselves have determined in the Talmud. Sends on this business our trusty friend Johannes Maria, and 20 cr. Will send more if wanted. Venice, 9 Feb.

Has received a brief summoning him to the papal presence. Wishes to make the journey of which John of Flanders spoke.

Lat., copy by Croke, pp. 2.

9 Feb. Colbert, MS. 468 v. p. 164. **6208.** LANGEY to MONTMORENCY.

You will see the letters from Mons. de Vaulx and myself to the King. I send back this bearer in accordance with what my brother wrote by your order. Although I cannot assure myself of anything here until it is in my

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possession, I think that either I or a gentleman sent express will bring the resolution of what has been sent by this bearer, except the loan, of which I have no hope, though I have set several great personages to work to see if they can do anything. Vaulx is also working at it, offering himself and others for pledges. I am much vexed that they have not given us a minute of the reciprocal confession, which we must obtain from this King; for it is of great consequence, and we are not good at practising in such matters. The King might pretend that the treaty of Cambray has not been observed, and that he can therefore demand the return of his gratuities and contributions to Francis; who will have no answer, having confessed that Henry has performed his part. Vaulx and I will try to get as little harm out of it as possible. London, 9 Feb.

French, from a transcript, pp. 2.

11 Feb. Vit. B. XIII. 44 b. B. M.

6209. [GHINUCCI to CROKE.]

Has received his letters of Jan. 20 and 29, and Feb. 3, 4, and 6. Is sorry that the Prothonotary acts as he does. Advises Croke to shun all occasions of contention with him. Thinks, as Croke does, that he will do nothing with the doctors, but he hopes that his own brother will supply the defect. Thinks also that he has not seen the letter which they are seeking, and that he pretends to have done so, for he does not know Greek, in which language the letter is written. Can hardly be brought to think that Aleander will do anything for them, but Croke had better try, if he thinks there is any hope, but he must not let him have the money until he gets what he wants. "De summa autem cum nesciam præcise quid ab eo quæratur cum etiam ejus natura [nobis] non sit nota, nescio quid dicam, nisi quod si ab eo consequi possis quod causæ . . . . am valde prodesse possit, non esse in quantitate pecuniæ hæsitandum [nam] si pecunia ad hoc necessaria erit providebo; quod etiam faciam si aliquo [modo ca]usæ illi scivero prodesse posse. Quod attinet ad p. Franciscum puto . . . . . pendam; et interim ad Stephanum scribendum qui habita notitia . . . . . ejus erga ipsum meritis opportune ut credendum est . . . . . dispensatio ad notum tuum reducatur. Jam enim . . . . . sset nisi ignorassem tuam dioc . . . . . quæ quo expediri non potuit . . . . . difficilliorem * * * scribis, video rem ita publicatam ut vix sperari posse videatur aliq[ua] arte habendum quod non possit etiam sine arte pariter sperari non . . . . video ex his artibus locum esse posse."

As to the remedy of which Croke writes for those who write for us, thinks they dare not apply it. Could not make up his mind about the questions to be disputed, "quarum exemplar ha[bui]," especially as he could give no judgment upon them, never having professed theology. Thinks it would be better to know the King's opinion, or at least Stokesley's, who ought to be on the road. Would advise that what is proposed to be done in public should be done privately and secretly. Will try to do what he writes, "de scrutando a D. Gregorio super Judæo," but he does not know whether he can believe his words at all, whatever he answers. Heard at another time that one of his friends spoke of a Jew of the same name. Does not know whether it is the same, but he did not say that he had written. There is no need for Croke to give Ghinucci an account of the money he has expended. Will do all he can to provide for his necessities. Doubts not that his brother, whom he has sent to Croke, has made provision. Wishes him to ask his brother if there is anything to be obtained from card. Grimani, the monks of St. Anthony (*a mon[achis] S. Anthonii*), or any other persons. Has written to them, but thinks his brother's personal application will be more useful, especially as scarcely any one knows him. Thinks matters are in such a state that his own open assistance would do more harm than good. Did not write to the bishop of Verona, because he knew that he would not lend books

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or do anything else. Can give him no advice about Casale's daily request to him to write to the King, as he does not know what Casale wishes him to write, nor does he understand his actions. Has no writings from Croke but the large printed book. Has received several letters, which he will specify below. Has always mentioned the receipt of Croke's letters when he wrote. Does not see that Croke can impute to him the want of money, which he says injures the King's cause, for he sent what he could, at great inconvenience to himself and his friends. "Certe non semel mihi necessaria defecerunt; non enim ex Anglia a . . . . . me missum est quo tibi subveniam, quamvis eo tempore quo . . . . me scriptæ sunt adhuc meas literas recepissent . . . . . instabam quod postea per omnes literas meas repl . . . . . sit non diu tardaturas literas quibus pro . . at . . . . . ut coram dixi, quod mihi pa . . . . . misisti qua plura" * * *

From his letters of the 4th supposes that he does not need the bishop of Verona, as it seems that all the books which he wanted to obtain from him have been granted to him from the public library, except one which he has from the *procuratores*. Will not fail him in money as long as he has a penny left. Croke can live in his house at Rome. He must go thither as soon as he can do no further service here. Wrote to the person whom Croke mentioned, before his brother arrived. Has heard nothing concerning Croke from England. Has sent on his letters to the King, Stokesley, and Foxe, by Caro (Carew), who left on the 8th, travelling by post.

Writes also to his brother. Croke has already done more than could have been hoped, or than any other would have done. Has written about him to the King. Asks him to write when he can. If he has not a safe messenger, however obscurely he writes, Ghinucci will understand him, but those who might do harm probably would not. Bologna, 11 Feb. 1530. "Tuus uti frater, H."——Received 14 Feb.

Lat., copy by Croke, pp. 3, *mutilated.*

11 Feb. **6210.** YORK PLACE.

Rym.xiv.365. Fiddes' Coll., p. 224.

Memorandum, that on the 11th Feb. Sir Thomas More, Chancellor, Thomas duke of Norfolk, and others, appeared before the King in his Chancery, and acknowledged a deed of recovery against Wolsey, of York Place, in the King's behalf, dated 7 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.

Close Roll, 21 *Hen. VIII. m.* 20*d.*

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Exemplification of the above recovery under the seal of the Court of Common Pleas. Westminster, 12 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.

Endd.

11 Feb. **6211.** For ELIZABETH BOYFELDE.

P. S.

Assent to her election as abbess of the monastery of Elenestowe, Linc. dioc., *vice* Agnes Gascoigne, late abbess, deceased. Barnet, 13 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 11 Feb.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

2. Petition for the above, 10 Aug.

6212. ROWLAND LEE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

"My loving friend,—Yesternight last I came from my lord's Grace, who desires you to send him knowledge of your good speed concerning his pardon, &c. He thinks long to hear from you.—Yours assured, Rowland Lee."

Hol., p. 1. *Add:* "To my loving friend, Mr. Thomas Crumewell, dd." *Sealed.*

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12 Feb. **6213.** WOLSEY'S PARDON.

Rym. XIV. 366. S. B. General pardon for Thos. cardinal of York, bishop of Winchester, and perpetual commendatory of the exempt monastery of St. Alban's, *alias* late bishop of Bath and Wells, *alias* late bishop of Durham, *alias* late chancellor of England and legate *de latere* of the Apostolic See, *alias* sometime bishop of Lincoln, and formerly called Thos. Wolsey, clk., the King's almoner. York Place, 10 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Feb.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

R. O. 2. A duplicate of the original patent on vellum, but without seal or signature.

R. O. 3. Copy of the patent.

Pp. 24, *large paper.*

R. O. 4. Two drafts of a general pardon for Wolsey.

14 Feb. **6214.** WOLSEY.

P. S. Rym. XIV. 374. Restitution of the archbishopric of York, and all possessions belonging thereto, except the messuage, two gardens, and three acres of land called York Place, lying together in Westminster, Midd.; he having been convicted of various offences against the Crown and the statute of provisors 16 Ric. II., whereby all his property was forfeited. Also grant of all sums of money and goods, specified in a schedule attached to this patent, which were granted by the King to the said Wolsey, before 7 Feb. last, by the hands of Sir William Fitzwilliam, treasurer of the household, and Stephen Gardyner, the King's secretary,* or others; notwithstanding the above conviction, and an indenture made between the King and Wolsey, 22 Oct. last. York Place, 14 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.

ii. "The money, goods, and chattels given by the King's grace to the lord Cardinal, whereof mention is made in the King's letters patent hereunto annexed."

"First, in ready money, 3,000*l.* Item, in plate, 9,565¾ oz., at 3*s.* 8*d.* the oz., amounteth to 1,753*l.* 3*s.* 7½*d.* Item, divers apparel of household, as hangings, bedding, napry, and other things, as appeareth by the inventory of the same, amounting in value by estimation 800*l.* Item, in horses and geldings, 80, with their apparel, valued by estimation 150*l.* Item, in mules for the saddle, four, with [their] apparel, valued by estimation 60*l.* Item, in mules for carriage, six, with their apparel, valued by estimation 40*l.* Item, in lynges, 1,000, valued by estimation 50*l.* Item, in cod and haberdynes, 800, valued by estimation 40*l.* Item, in salt, 8 way, valued by estimation 10*l.* Item, in implements of the kitchen, as pots, pans, spits, pewter vessel, and other things necessary for the same, valued by estimation 80*l.* Item, 52 oxen, valued by estimation 80*l.* Item, in muttons, 70, valued by estimation 12*l.* Item, the apparel for his body, valued by estimation 300*l.*"—Sum total, 6,374*l.* 3*s.* 7½*d.*

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 14.

R. O. 2. Two drafts of the preceding on large paper.

R. O. 3. Draft of patent restoring to cardinal Wolsey certain specified possessions belonging to the archbishopric of York.

Mutilated, pp. 9, *large paper.*

*** The form of this patent corresponds with that in Rymer XIV. 374, except that the latter restores the possessions of the archbishopric in general, with the specific reservation of York Place, while here the lands restored are all specified.

* These names are omitted in Rymer.

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R. O. 4. Two other drafts like the preceding.
Mutilated, pp. 9, *large paper.*

R. O. 5. Another draft patent pardoning him and restoring him to the archbishopric.

14 Feb. **6215.** TREATY WITH FRANCE.

R. T. 137. R. O. 1. Power given to Cuthbert bishop of London and elect of Durham, and Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, K.G., treasurer of the household and chancellor of the duchy of Lancaster, to arrange with William du Bellay and de Vaulx, the French ambassadors, for the delivery of the fleur de lis to the Emperor. London, 14 Feb. 1529, 21 Hen. VIII.

R. T. 137. R. O. 2. Power given to the same to treat with the French ambassadors as to the mode and form of payment of 50,000 cr. of gold to Henry VIII. Same date.

R. T. 137. R. O. 3. Power given to the same to treat for the payment of two years' arrears of the pension of black salt. Same date.

Calig. E. II. 200. B. M. 4. Draft of the proposed treaty between France and England. Commissioners :—on the side of France, Guillaume Bolley (Bellay) and John Joachim de Passan, sieur de Vaulx ; on the part of England, Cuthbert [Tunstall] elect of Durham, and Sir Will. Fitzwilliam, K.G.
Lat., pp. 9.

R. T. 137. R. O. 5. Acknowledgment under the Great Seal that Francis I. has fulfilled all treaties hitherto made by him with England ; a similar acknowledgment having been given by Francis to Henry on the 29 Jan. 1529[-30]. London, 14 Feb. 1529, 21 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*
Lat., copy, pp. 2. *The original is signed by Henry.*

14 Feb. **6216.** DEBTS TO THE CROWN.

R. O. Account of large sums due to the King from a number of persons upon indentures ; of which the total amount already received is 2,843*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*, which has been delivered partly to Sir Henry Wyatt, treasurer of the Chamber, and partly to his successor Sir Brian Tuke, the last payment being made on the 14 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. No total is given of the sums still due.

Amongst the King's debtors are mentioned :—Sir Rob. Poyntz, Rob. lord Willoughby, Sir Thomas Bryan, John Bourghchyer lord Berners, John Tochett lord Audeley, Sir William Sandes, Thos. Empson, Sir Jo. Hosey, Edw. Sutton lord Dudley, Thos. earl of Derby, Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, Geo. lord Hastings, lady Lucy Browne, and Cecily marchioness of Dorset. [Though several of these persons were deceased at the date of this account, the fact is not mentioned.]
Paper roll, slightly mutilated at the head.

15 Feb. **6217.** WM. BRABAZON to THOS. CROMWELL.

R. O. He and his fellow Swift have finished the lands belonging to the late monastery of Daventry, except Leicestershire. Are now at Ravenston. Find little kindness among the tenants of the monastery there. Most of them are unwilling to show their lands ; but, with the help of the most honest of them, will make a true book. Shall not finish the measurement for a fortnight. Have received 8*l.* from the bearer. 15 Feb.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

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16 Feb. **6218.** HENRY VIII. to the UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

Dr. Lamb's Cambridge Documents, 19.

In the matter of matrimony between us and the Queen, the greatest clerks in Christendom, both in this realm and without, have affirmed and subscribed the opinion that "ducere uxorem fratris mortui sine liberis sit prohibitum jure divino et naturali," which is the chief point in our cause.* Being desirous of knowing your opinions, and not doubting that, as we have always found you favorable and glad to extend our authority when you have required it, you will not omit anything whereby you should minister to us gratuity and pleasure, specially in declaring the truth in a cause so near touching us, our soul, and the wealth and benefit of our realm. We have therefore sent Gardiner, our secretary, and Fox, for whom we desire credence.

Requires them to send the opinion of the University upon the said proposition, under their common seal. York Place, 16 Feb.

16 Feb. **6219.** JOHN CHEKYNGE to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Did not mean to have told him yet of the late accident, but understands Cromwell knows it. "Christofer dyd hynge a candel in a playt to loyk apone hys boyk, and so fell ascleype, and the candell fell into the bedstrawe." There were burnt a new feather bed and bolster, a pair of sheets, three "overleydes" and a sparver, with a pair of hose and a doublet of Christofer's, a pair of hose, a doublet, a bonnet, and a shirt of Nich. Sadler's. "Had not the chamber beyn sylered and pargened with plaister, we had had mor harme." Begs him to send more money by the bearer, "Master Byll, felloy of our howsse." I pay 40*s.* every six weeks for your men and scholars. 16 Feb.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Maister Thomas Crumwell, besyd the Awstyne Freyrs.

17 Feb. **6220.** CARDINAL WOLSEY.

Rym. XIV. 371.

Indenture between the King and cardinal Wolsey, whereby the latter resigns the bishopric of Winchester and the abbey of St. Alban's, with all appurtenances, except the archbishopric of York, receiving 6,374*l.* 3*s.* 7½*d.*, and a yearly pension of 1,000 marks. 17 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.

Close Roll, 21 *Hen. VIII. m.* 17 *d.*

R. O. 2. Corrected draft of the preceding.

R. O. 3. Indenture between the King and Wolsey, witnessing that the King had pardoned him, and granted him the archbishopric of York, with certain sums of money and goods to the value of 6,374*l.* 3*s.* 7½*d.*; in consideration of which Wolsey gives the King all the issues of spiritual things belonging to the bishopric of Winchester and the abbey of St. Alban's, and all that otherwise appertains to him not belonging to the archbishopric of York. The part of this indenture remaining with Wolsey has the Great Seal attached to it; the other is signed and sealed by Wolsey. Dated 17 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Signed by Wolsey. Seal attached.*

17 Feb. **6221.** WM. BRABAZON to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Has measured, with Ric. Swift, all the lands in the tenure of the farmer, who has been here but seldom, and, as Brabazon supposes, has gone to Cromwell to make sure of the farm. Advises him to make no grant, for he can make 6*l.* or 7*l.* more by it than Mr. Gage did. Asks his pleasure about selling the woods. Proposes 24*s.* an acre as the price. Shall hold a

* See Gardiner's letter, No. 6247.

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court at Sutton tomorrow for St. John's, on Sunday for the parsonage, on Monday at Dertford, Tuesday at Kyngsdown, and Wednesday at Edenbridge. If Cromwell will be at Sutton this day week, he shall see their determination. Sutton, Thursday, 17 Feb.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c., Mr. Crumwell.

6222. WOLSEY'S COLLEGES.

R. O. "..... of the v ..... other implements ..... knyg Mr. Wm. Burbanke and T[homas Cromwell]."

The goods and catalls of Ravenston, sold for x. [li.] . . ., of which received iij. [li.], and in a bill of Wm. Marchall, 26*l.* The goods of Tykforde sold for 5*l.* 4*s.* = 34*l.*

Whereof, paid, wages of 2 canons at Ravenston, 40*s.* Wages of servants there, 40*s.* Wages of 5 monks at Tykforde, 50*s.* To the praysor, 6*s.* 8*d.* Our expences at Ravenston, Tykford, and from London thither, 3*l.* = 9*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*; and so Mr. Treasurer is in surplusage, 36*s.* 8*d.*

Wages to a monk at Canwell, 1*l.*; to the prior's father, and to servants, 40*s.*; to praysors, 3*s.* 4*d.* Our costs from Tykforde to Sandwell, and staying there 5 days. Wages to a monk at Canwell, 6*s.* 8*d.* Wages to the servants of the house, 20*s.* Our costs at Canwell, 3 days, 22*s.* Wages of 3 canons at Pougleye, 40*s.* Wages of 4 men servants, 43*s.* 4*d.* Wages of a woman and a boy, 7*s.* 4*d.* Costs from Canwell to Pougleye, and 3 days there, 56*s.* 8*d.* From Pougleye to London, 18*s.*

Endd.: ..... ns ..... salys of Ravenston, Tykforde, Sandwell, Canwell, and Powheley.

R. O. 2. [Goods] and cattalls sold at ———————— and Poghley, by Mr. W[m. Burbanke] and Thomas Cromwell.

Goods at Sandwell, 21*l.*; Canwell, 8*l.*; Poghley, 29*l.* Expences, 16*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* Remaining for the use of my lord's Grace, 41*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Expences at Ravenston, and on the way to London, 6*l.* Reward to 5 monks at Tykforde, 33*s.* 4*d.*; to 2 canons of Ravenston, 20*s.* Wages of servants at Ravenston and Tykforde, 40*s.*

Debts due to my lord's Grace for goods sold at Canwell, Sandwell, and Powleye, due at Lady Day, with the half year's rent, 189*l.* 10*s.*

* * * The [bells] of Ravenston are worth [33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*]; those of Tykforde, [33*l.*] 6*s.* 8*d.*; of Sandwell, xxx[iii.]*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; of Canwell, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; of Powgeley, 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Total value of bells, 146*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

* * * Summa, 331*l.* xv. . . 8*d.*

R. O. 3. Another account of goods sold at Sandwell, Canwell, and Poghley, similar to the preceding; but only 14*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.* stated as expences.

Pp. 6. *Endd.*

6223. JOHN WILLIAMSON to CROMWELL.

R. O. Received his letter by Page, this Friday about 8 p.m. Brabazon and Swift have viewed Sutton at Hone, with Haute, Sir Brian Tuke's servant, and like it very well, as Brabazon will write. Has received 30*s.* of Turnbull, the fishmonger, for a barrel of salmon; has fetched home the piece of arras, and paid the maker. Frognall has been here to see Cromwell, and desires to be recommended to Wolsey. Encloses a list of those who have been to see him since he left, a clean shirt, one pair of linen hose, a headkerchief, and two handkerchiefs. Cromwell's mother and family are well. London, Friday, 9 p.m.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his right worshipful Mr. Master Cromwell.

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6224. WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Ashmol. MS. Oxon. B. M. Ellis, 1 Ser. II. 7.

Begs him at the reverence of God to hasten his suits; as the delay "replenisheth my heart with heaviness, that I can take no reste,—not for any vain fear, but only for the miserable condition that I am presently in, and likelihood to continue in the same, unless that you, in whom is mine assured trust, do help and relieve me therein." Cannot live in this moist and corrupt air, "being entered into the passion of dropsy," with loss of appetite and sleep. Must be removed to a dry air, where he may have the benefit of physicians. "Secondly, having now but York, which is now decayed by 800*l.* by the year, I cannot tell how to live and keep the poor number of folks which I now have; my houses there be in decay, and of everything mete for household unprovided and unfurnished. I have none apparel for my houses there, nor money to bring me thither, nor to live with till the propice time of the year shall come to remove thither." These things, with his age and sickness, put him in agony and heaviness. "Alas! Mr. Secretary, ye, with other my Lords, showed me that I should otherwise be furnished and seen unto. Ye know in your learning and conscience whether I should forfeit my spiritualities of Winchester or no. Alas! the qualities of mine offences considered, with the great punishment and loss of goods that I have sustained, ought to move pitiful hearts, and the most noble King, to whom, if it would please you of your charitable goodness to show the premises after your accustomable wisdom and dexterity, it is not to be doubted but his Highness would have consideration and compassion, augmenting my living, and appointing such things as should be convenient for my furniture; which to do shall be to the King's highness' honor, merit, and discharge of conscience, and to your great praise for bringing the same to pass for your old bringer up and loving friend." This kindness from the King would prolong his life a while, though not long; "by the means whereof his Grace shall take profit, and by my death none. What is it to his Highness to give some convenient pension out of Winchester and St. Alban's, his taking with my hearty good will the residue? Remember, good Mr. Secretary, my poor degree, and what service I have done, and how now approaching to death I must begin this world again." Begs him, therefore, to use his power, which Wolsey knows is great, for his relief, and he will pray God for the increase of his honor. "Written hastily at Ashur with the rude and shaking hand of your daily bedesman and assured friend, T. Car[lis] Ebor."

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6225. WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Hatfield MSS. CL. 8.

"My own good Master Secretary, I cannot express how much I am bounden to my lord of Norfolk's grace and you, to whom, with my daily service and prayers, I beseech you to give my most humble and effectual thanks, like as I do the semblable to you, praying God* to reward you both for your charitable goodness showed unto me in this my extremity and heaviness, most humbly praying to continue to the final accomplishing of all mine poor suits, and the establishing of my poor state, to the honor of God and His Church, whereof I am a poor member. And doubt ye not, besides my service and prayer, ye shall deserve high merit of God, and excellent fame in this world; and I, with all my friends, shall ascribe to my said lord's Grace and you the preservation of my life, with the redubbing of my poor condition to an honest living, as our Lord knoweth, whom I beseech to send you much honor, and to continue my good master and friend. At Assher, this morning, with the rude hand of your assured bedesman, T. Cardinalis Ebor'.

* "Good" in MS.

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"I beseech you to give credence to such things as Thomas Alvard shall declare unto you on my behalf, and to interpone your favorable aid with your accustomed dexterity for the attaining of the same."

6226. [WOLSEY to CROMWELL.]

Cott. App. XLVIII. 20. B. M. St. P. I. 356.

His comfortable letters arrived tonight at supper time. Begs him to continue the practices he has commenced about the bishopric of Winchester; and though he has been advised not to speak to the King about it, thinks he had better do so, mentioning the advantage which would arise to the King as well as to Wolsey; "and always to consider with yourself that in space groweth grace." The King cannot gain so much at any man's hand as at Wolsey's.

If Cromwell opens the matter properly, doubts not he will hearken thereto. "Take [bo]ldnes unto yow, and be nat afferd to borde hys Grace." Cromwell asks Wolsey to send some one to receive 500*l.* for his servants and household; but this is far from the 2,000 mks. mentioned by Norfolk, and from the [sum] which Mr. Secretary in his letters [said] Wolsey should have before this time. Great things are promised, but in deed they are very small. The 500*l.* will not defray all his debts, and it must be considered how he will live afterwards till more comes in. What servants he retains or discharges will depend upon what he has to live on. Will do nothing but by Cromwell's advice. Hopes to hear tomorrow, unless he comes with the money. His heart is full of heaviness. Asks him to remind Mr. Secretary of the [contents] "of his letters, and my lord of Norfolk of his [promise] and sayings unto yow. Thys dayly alteration [keeps] me in suche agony that I had lever be ded [than alive]. Et iterum vale."

Hol., pp. 2, mutilated.

18 Feb. **6227.** DE VAUX [and DE LANGEAIS] to FRANCIS I.

Le Grand, III. 437.

Having answered on the 8th his letter of the 1st by Gabriel, will not write at great length now.

The King returned from Hampton Court on Saturday, and Dr. Stephen waited upon De Vaux by order of the Council. Had two conferences with him about the expedition of the *fleur de lis*, the quittances and other documents, which have to be restored to the Emperor on the recovery of the Princes.

The King has determined that the *fleur de lis*, the indemnity of Windsor, and the quittance, be committed to Brian and "to me De Langes," to be conveyed with all diligence. We have not yet seen this jewel, but by all accounts it is so large and heavy that it is a horse-load so to speak ("*che un cavallo ne sera quasi carico*"). It is to be placed in a box, and sealed with the seals of the king of England, Bryan, the French and Imperial ambassadors, to be opened at the place and time to be agreed on, when the Princes are delivered. The king of England has commissioned the Grand Master, Mons. de Borges, the bishop of Bayonne, Turenne, and Bryan for the delivery of the jewel and indemnity, and to obtain a quittance of the Emperor. Recites the conditions in case of the jewel being lost or not delivered, &c., as in the treaty. The bonds which Henry had of the Emperor for the sums lent him by the bishop of London and Master More in August last were consigned to the governor of Boulogne and the bailly of Amiens at Calais, who, in return, gave the bond of Francis. As the jewel is to be ready on Thursday, Langeais* and Bryan intend to leave on Friday, and travel post, and will take with them the said indemnity of Windsor, quittance and procuration. As to the depredation and

* "Jo. de Langes" in Le Grand occurs repeatedly instead of "io, de Langes."

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the ship and goods of John Rocquet lately detained at Portsmouth, we have spoken at length with the Lords of the Council, and today with the King, whom we find most favorable. The ship and goods are to be released. As to John Brisse, and his pretended shipwreck, we do not know how we should proceed, and we hope justice will not fail; but to prevent scandals, it would be well that the French officials should administer justice promptly to any Englishmen who had been denied it (*ad alcuni Anglesi denegiati*), about whom Langeais has been obliged to speak.

The King is very grateful to Francis for the trouble he has taken with the doctors of Paris in favor of his cause. It is the matter he has most at heart; but to conduct it to the desired end, he is in no small anxiety, and begs Francis to get the faculty of Paris to write their opinion as to the truth of the matter, in which case he does not doubt that all will agree in his favor; but quickness is of importance, so that their opinion, along with those of the universities of England and elsewhere, may be shown by Wiltshire to the Pope. London, 15 Feb. 1530.

P.S.—The original of this has been dispatched to Francis. They have since been with the King, who has consigned to them the *fleur de lis*, in presence of the Imperial ambassador, in a box locked up, and sealed with the seals of the King, the Imperial ambassador, Bryan, and the French, of which consignation the king has caused a public act to be made, stating that the *fleur de lis* had been seen by the Emperor's ambassador, and that the precious stones and pearls were found according to his inventory sent by the Emperor. Bryan and Langeais will leave to morrow, or at the latest on Sunday. As for the copy of the peace with England, it may be provided by means of the treaty of this peace, which Francis has in his possession, signed and sealed by Henry. Tomorrow we shall visit the bishop of London and Fitzwilliam, who are commissioned to receive the obligations for the said jewel, for the arrears of salt, and the restitution in May, in case the Princes be not restored, and the mutual confession by the two Kings that neither has contravened the perpetual peace.

The king of England is as well disposed as possible towards Francis, and there need be no doubt that the Princes will be restored. The King suggests that the Emperor is much more afraid of the treaty not being fulfilled on your part, than you have any reason to be of your sons not being restored; and points out many reasons for this; among others, the great need the Emperor has of money, especially with a view to his going into Germany, which he could not do without the sum stipulated in the treaty. Moreover, the King considers that the friendship of Francis, as well as his own, is at present of much importance to the Emperor, who has no great confidence in the Pope. London, 18 Feb. 1530.

Italian. The original is endorsed: "Copia della letra alla Chr. M. el 18 Feb. et mandata a Mons. Ill. Gran Mastro."

18 Feb. **6228.** FRANCIS I.

R. O. Rym.xiv. 376. Treaty for the payment of a certain pension from salt annually by Francis I. to the king of England. London, 18 Feb. 1529.
Lat., vellum. Two seals.

R. O. Rym.xiv.378. 2. Treaty for the payment of 47,368 gold crowns, 16*s.*, due by Francis I. to the king of England in the event of the Emperor refusing to restore the French princes within a specified time. London, 18 Feb. 1529.
Lat., vellum.

R. O. Rym.xiv.380. 3. Treaty for the liberation of the French king's children, and for the restoration of the *fleur-de-lis* jewel pledged by the Emperor Maximilian. London, 18 Feb. 1529.
Lat., vellum. Two seals.

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6229. [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Quotes a passage from a letter of Basil of Neocæsarea to Amphilochius, saying that a person who has married his brother's wife should not be admitted to communion until he is separated from her.

Guesses that this is what they sought, and that Stokesley by an error of memory ascribed it to Nazianzen. Sends it to the King, with some writings by learned Hebrews in his favor; by which, what Stokesley wished, is proved indisputably; viz., that the Levitical law has always been holy and intact, and never abolished nor weakened; on the other hand, the law of Deuteronomy was never in force except when the conditions therein expressed were present, and when it is allowed by the Levitical law; and that it was never observed, even by the Jews themselves, after the destruction of Jerusalem, except in matters concerning inheritance. "Ex quo necessario meo judicio infertur istam correlariam duntaxat illius esse quæ [in] ultimo Nu[merorum] contra filias Salphaad a Deo lata est, jam quod adduc[it] M. Rhaphael permissam eam solummodo in linea Salvatoris." Raphael, who is now converted to Christ, was at one time a chief rabbi.

Has carried out the King's wishes in exploring the minds of theologians indirectly. Has found few (*p*[*aucos*]) who do not agree with the King; and these, were it not for fear of the Pope, would be drawn to the King's side without much trouble. Sends the writings of Francis Georgius, the chief theologian here, in the opinion of all, and well skilled in Hebrew, fortified by the subscriptions of four preachers and lecturers on theology. Hopes to obtain subscriptions from all the theologians in Padua, Venice, and other parts of Italy,—such is Georgius' authority with all the Orders. He spent —— years in religion as a public reader, and then joined the Franciscan order. He is a senator and one of the ten chief councillors of Venice. His cousin, Albertus (*Albo.*) Marinus Georgius, is master of the gymnasium at Padua, and pays the public lecturers. He persuaded Raphael to write, and, when urged by the papal party to write against the King, refused to desert the cause. Has not been able to hire any Greek writers, but Georgius has induced some Greek nobles to lend him their servants. He opened for him the Antonian library, and gave him true catalogues of the libraries of St. Antony and St. Mark, without which he could never have detected the fictitious catalogue given him by the ambassador. "Hic domino Dominico Tr[evisano] nepoti suo, homini Græce et Latine exacte docto, persuasit ut sua fide et nomine . . . . . primum quidem ex Joannis et Pauli, deinde ex Sancti Marci biblio[thecis] libros desumeret, quos domi meæ perlegendos permitteret. Et hi sunt illi . . . . antiquitatis Græci libri in quibus epistolam tam diu nobis quæsitam inveni . . . . . Non puto prætereundum, invictissime rex, in canonibus Græcis u . . . . invenimus foliorum omnium illic margines, non absque literarum etiam [abrasione] recentissime succisos, ut opinor ne annotationes m[arginales] quærentibus, epistolam proderent. Profecto cum absque . . . . . nissemus, nec absque opera patr[is] Fran[cisci] . . . . . felix illud fuisse e . . . s * * * mis tentandum atque conciliandum censuit."

Though he has done everything for Croke, could not prevail upon him or his nephew to take a penny in compensation. Has paid him 50 gold pieces, at the desire of the bishop of Worcester, to engage doctors of law ([*ju*]*ris*) and theology for the King, of which he will give Croke account. If a stranger, concealing his name and country, has done so much in a month, what could not the ambassador have done in three years, if he had liked. But he has done nothing in the King's affairs, and had not seen a single theologian before Croke's arrival; and after infinite delay and procrastination gave him a fictitious catalogue of the library of St. Mark, which he sends,

† Supplied from modern heading.

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with the genuine one given him by father Francis. In order to destroy Croke's hopes of seeing books, he pretended that he had often treated with the Doge (*Princeps*), and could not obtain leave from him to take books out of the library, but only to see them there for two hours, and make one copy. Could not divine why he said that he was ordered to discuss the cause with the King's adversaries, and exhorted Croke to do so, promising to give him a note testifying that he had been ordered to do so by the King, and had advised Croke to do it. He has often [urged] Croke to discuss with Aleander, the bishop of Chieti, and a Jew who is hostile to the King. As Croke did not consent, and pretended that he was ordered to do nothing without orders from the bishop of Worcester, he wrote to his brother that he thought Croke should dispute with the King's opponents, and that the Bishop would be glad for him to do so. But the Bishop, being warned of these tricks by Croke, replied that he had received no such instructions, and would not do it. Seeing that this did not succeed, he went to all the persons with whom he found that Croke had treated, disclosed his name and nation, and the cause of his coming, and told them that the Emperor was opposing the cause, and that the Pope did not dare to favor it, and that there were great disputes about it in England. Fears to say what he has heard him say about the King. Unless the King conceals it, will not escape the sword or poison. He spoke in such a manner to the bishop of Chieti and Francis that the latter, who had lent a commentary on Luke to Croke on the faith of father Francis, soon asked for it back. Encloses bitter letters from him. All this was done by the ambassador to deter this good man from taking up the King's cause; but he is so influenced by his Majesty's learning and eloquence, shown in his book against Luther, that he says he will never desert his just cause, but would readily go to defend it to Rome, England, or anywhere else where the King should wish. Still he might hesitate, as the ambassador does so much to frighten him. But the bishop of Worcester, on the other hand, frequently writes kind letters to him, and gave his brother several blank sheets of paper with his seal and signature, which Croke and he fill up as they judge best; and they have encouraged Francis by them, so that he is beginning a laborious work for the King: "nempe quo omnia adversariorum . . . argumenta, authoritatibus pariter et rationibus gravissimis prorsus [eversa]turus.

"Utinam audires, illustrissime princeps, quas nos de tuo in Lutherum [libro laudes] audimus. Utinam cogitares quantum lucis pro te scripturis exhiberet . . . . . adversariorum contra te libri, cum tuo neutiquam conferendi . . . [nisi æstima]tionis tui tam esses negligenter prodigus, ut differres . . . . . mitti, sed penitus oblitus sum . . . . . vocatum a patre Francisco . . . . . [in]strumento * * * primum libenter se facturum; cæterum ubi epistola legi cœpta est rogasse an . . . . . judicium esset venturum. Ad quod cum respondissemus nescire nos, statim ille: [Haud] faciam, inquit, citra principis veniam in hoc aliquid, nam video regis . . . . . casum esse. Nec ulla pecunia quamquam amicum, quamquam consanguineum pater Fra[nciscus] . . . . . hominem inducere potuit ut scriberet. Immo etiam indignatus est Fra[nciscus] quasi qui vellet in manifestissimum et maximum ipsum conjicere periculum. Ob[secro] igitur Majestatem tuam ut cogitet quantopere formidare cogatur pater F[ranciscus] . . . ." unless the King will write to the Venetian senate to allow his case to be discussed by the theologians of the Signory. If the King does this, he will conquer; for before his letters arrive, all, as we hope, will be on his side. Does not think the King can do better than act openly with the Pope to allow the Italian theologians to write about the cause freely. The matter is so known abroad now that the King could not have more adversaries than he has, and yet in the number of his friends he is not inferior to the Emperor or the

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Pope; and Croke doubts not that the number will daily increase, if he is not short of money, as the theologians and jurists of Venice, Padua, Verona, and almost all the Signory, depend upon Francis.

Asks the King to keep secret the writings sent, until the contest begins. The bishop of Worcester has not been wanting either in advice or assistance. He sent 250 cr., of which 80 have been paid to Francis and others, for hiring learned men, and more is about to be paid for the same purpose, and also to get the books wanted. [He] sent his brother to card. Grimani, and when he came to the ambassador to know "si quos plures doctores centum illis e . . . . . decem scutis quos episcopus ipsi ad hoc dederat," he found that he had not hired any more, nor had paid more than 30 cr. Seeing this error, he himself went back to Padua at night, at his own expence, corrected the error and hired another advocate, settling all the affairs there with the greatest diligence and fidelity. Since coming here has read commentaries on the Pentateuch and Ruth, by Theo . . . . ., Diodorus, Apollinarius, Cyril, Gennadius, Origen, Severian, Acacius, both the Gregories, Chrysostom, and many others. Has seen also a rhapsody of commentaries upon Luke, read Philo and Chrysostom on Genesis, the Ethics and Ascetics of Basil, two [books] of Nazianzen's letters, and the Greek canons of the General Councils. All these books are in Greek, and they have made extracts of what may assist in the King's cause, but there has not yet been time to reduce the extracts to order. Of the books which Stokesley named, there remain to be read a book of Nazianzen's letters, one of Chrysostom upon St. Paul's Epistles, and the Questions of Maximus. Has from the Senate a volume of the canons, with a Greek commentary, which could not be bought for any sum; and Aleander has another, which he values at 2,000 [crowns ?]; and there is a third of no less value. "Et sic tandem, licet sero, habes quid . . . . . ego hic in majestatis tuæ causa fecerim, quæ omnia ante vi. ebdomadas scri[bere] potuissem nisi me continuis procrastinationibus et fraudibus eli . . . . . orator tuus. Non erat enim post acceptum librum triduum quod ego e . . . . . invenerim. Ego tamen hactenus et tuas et meas injurias dissim[ulavi ne] aut mihi noceatur aut causæ tuæ. Venetiis, Feb. xvi[ij]."

Lat., pp. 3, mutilated. Copy by Croke.

18 Feb. **6230.** THOMAS CROMWELL.

R. O. Receipt, 18 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII., by Thomas Crumwell, of London, gentleman, from Wm. Capon, D.D., master of Jesus College, Cambridge, of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, "by way of reward of and for certain pains taken for the said college in the defence of certain lands, messuages, tenements, and gardens" in Southwark, co. Surrey, which shall, after the death of Eleanor, wife of Wm. Midelton, remain to the college, by the will of Roger Thorney, deceased.

Draft, in Cromwell's own hand, p. 1.

19 Feb. **6231.** HENRY VIII. and CHARLES V.

R. T. 137. R. O. Acquittance by Henry VIII. to Charles V., in accordance with the treaty lately made between England and France, of all debts due to the King upon bonds, and of a debt of 100,000*l.* due by his grandfather Maximilian to Henry VII., which Charles had bound himself to pay; of the obligation to pay England the debt due by France to Henry and his sister, until it was settled by peace or war, as appears by a public instrument dated Windsor, 19 June 1522:—which claims Francis has undertaken to satisfy by the late treaty of Cambray, whenever the Dauphin and the duke of Orleans shall be delivered. Appoints as proxies for the restitution of bonds and pledges, Anne de Monmorancy, Grand Master of France, Francis de

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Turre viscount of Turenne, John du Bellay, bishop of Bayonne, and Sir Francis Bryan.
Lat., pp. 3.

Galba, B. VIII. 225. B. M. 2. Draft of the preceding.
Imperfect and mutilated, pp. 2.

[Cal.E.I.II.?] I. 20. B. M. 3. A paper submitted by the French ambassadors to Henry VIII.
That it would please the King to restore to the French king, his ally, a *fleur de lis* of gold and precious stones left in pawn with him by the Emperor elect for the sum of 50[000] crowns. He will repay the sum according to the terms fixed upon by his ambassadors. 2. To grant letters of quittance in favor of the said Emperor for all the sums in which he is bound, by the terms of the treaty of Windsor, to Henry for the pe[nsions] granted to him in France. 3. Acquittance of the obligation and fine incurred by the Emperor in the event of his not fulfilling his marriage with the princess of England. 4. Acquittance of a pension . . . . . to be employed in the payment of [the ransom] of the Dauphin and duke [of Orleans]. 5. Begs likewise a loan for this purpose during the month of March.
Fr., mutilated, pp. 2.

R. O. 4. Draft of the oath to be given by Francis I. to Henry VIII., who has become security for him to the Emperor, that on the restoration of his sons he will recall his army from Italy, and deliver Genoa and Asti to the Emperor.
Lat., pp. 7.

20 Feb. **6232.** [CROKE] to GHINUCCI.

Vit.B.XIII.55b. B. M. Wonders that he has received no letters from him since sending him the epistle of Basil. The name of his benefice is Hurworth, in the diocese of Durham. Asks him to have Foxe's dispensation dispatched, that he may see Croke's diligence and Ghinucci's kindness. The ambassador told him today that his brother had obtained the dispensation from card. SS. Quatuor, and had committed the rest of the business to Ghinucci. He was with Francis today, yesterday, and the day before, offering him money to write for the King, and promising to obtain permission for him from the Pope to do so; but he knew the ambassador's intent, and refused the money, saying that he would not write or speak of the matter until commanded by the Pope. [Casale], however, shamelessly told Croke that he had accepted a present, and had promised to write. He is stupid enough to think that he can persuade Croke that the catalogue he produced is a true one, and he said today that it is much more perfect than that which Faustus has. This is as true as what he writes to the King about Croke and Ghinucci. We shall owe nothing to him if our letters reach the King.

Begs him to write to Stephen and Foxe, and to the King himself, asking that Croke's letters may be shown to no one else. Hears from Father Francis and prior Thomas that seventeen doctors will subscribe to our opinion. Wishes him to try and obtain some reward for Francis and his nephew, to whom he, Croke, and the King himself, owe so much; and to request the King to write to the Venetian senate. Will do nothing without Ghinucci's advice, or without giving him the credit to the King. Asks him in return to commend his fidelity to the King, Stokesley, Stephen*, and Foxe, and to ask for the increase of his diets. Does not understand what he wrote about Francis. Surely he deserves more than moderate praise. Has found a Greek oration of St. Clement, *De Generatione*, which he hopes will be useful. 20 Feb., Venice.

* Gardiner.

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In his letters to Foxe, says that he has paid the money, that he may send it . . . . . and that he may be more willing to ask the King to increase his diets. "Quare omnino velim ut inscribas et ita . . . . . magis commodum nec tibi minus accedat gratiarum, quod si . . . . . habes apertas poteris delere usque ad illa verba, vos" * * *

Lat., draft, p. 1, *mutilated.*

21 Feb. **6233.** BISHOP TUNSTAL.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 384. Bull of Clement VII., assenting to the translation of Cuthbert bishop of London to Durham. Bologna, 9 kal. Martii 1530.

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Rym. XIV. 384. 2. Papal provision for the same. Same date.

Lat.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 386. 3. Papal bull to the clergy and citizens of Durham for the same. Same date.

Lat., vellum.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 386. 4. Papal bull to the vassals of the see of Durham for the same. Same date.

Lat., vellum.

21 Feb. **6234.** HENRY VIII. to MONTMORENCY.

MS. Bibl. Nat. 3034. f. 1. Desires credence for Sir Francis Brian, whom he sends in the company of the sieur De Langy to make deliverance of the jewel the *fleur de liz*, according to the treaty of Cambray. Westminster, 21 Feb. 1529.

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21 . . . . **6235.** [CROKE] to FOXE.

Vit. B. XIII. 49. B. M. Foxe owes his dispensation, both for the canonical hours and for eating flesh, only to the bishop of Worcester; and the more so because another, in whom he put great trust, hindered it secretly in every way, though he will take to himself the credit of other people's labors. Has paid the Bishop from the money which he received from Harwell, the merchant. Asks him to send money as soon as possible, for he would have been obliged to beg if the Bishop had not helped him. He has not taken, and will not take, anything from Foxe for his trouble; and he has not shown him any greater favor than he is accustomed to show to his learned friends. Tells him to trust only in the Bishop and his brother, and to advise the King to do the same. The others betray the King's cause, and say that he is attempting this divorce in consequence of his love for a girl. If Casale (*ille*) had not made delays for Croke, and disclosed his name and country, Foxe would have had the letter a month ago. He had invited Croke to his house under pretext of going to see the Anthonian library, but really to discuss the King's secrets, and so betray them. Feared he would accuse him of betraying the King, and answered that he had no such orders. He then said falsely that a Jew had written upon our side; but when Croke asked him to show the writings, he said his brother had them, and the writer did not dare to confess that he had written on our side. Said that there was nothing to be done with him, for as soon as the affair comes to light, he would turn his back. In order that he might not see that Croke distrusted him, asked for a note showing that he had done only what he was asked to do. He almost gave such a note to Croke, but, while getting it ready, stopped and said that he would send it. During this conversation, to show his

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diligence, he said he had seen the letter with Aleander, but that it was not Gregory's, but Basil's. But he was not pleased when Croke asked him to buy a copy, or the book itself, from Aleander; and answered that if Aleander would not give it for friendship, he would not for money. Wonders whence comes this squeamishness of Aleander's, who, as he has discovered, is ruled by money. Had no doubt of obtaining it from him, if [Casale] had not mentioned the cause of his coming, and even the King's amours, though he had given out that he had been sent by More, Tunstal, Stokesley, and other English bishops and learned men, to find out the names of books and authors for a library which they were founding.

The Prothonotary, to make Croke believe that he had seen the passage, showed Croke the place in the Bible where it is forbidden to take the sister "*in pellicatum uxoris;*" and said that Basil had written upon this text, and mentioned our case, but that we must find out to whom he wrote. While he was talking, cast his eyes on the Latin book of councils, which he recognised as Aleander's. "Ille apertus in ci[vitate] Neocæsariensi casum judicat nostrum. Verto folium. Invenio in antyp[agina] quod diximus de sororibus; curiosius inspicio, animadvertoque utrique Concilio . . . . . Gregorii et Basilii præposita, itaque statim inter epistolas scriptas ab epi[scopis] ejus Concilii conjicio, quæ conjectura effecit ut Conciliorum Græcum cum . . . . . a senatu quærerem, quem mihi pater Franciscus impetravit . . . . . scripsit et ut alii multi pro rege scripserint effecit qui . . . . . et omnium bibliothecarum indices veros paravit . . . . . cum nihil prorsus pro me * * * [Ve]netorum familia; et utinam videres quantæ hic authoritatis sit," and how every one defers to his gravity and learning.

Asks him to obtain from the King letters to him similar to those enclosed, which would cause the chief part of the Italian theologians to pronounce for us. If the King wishes to call him to England he should write himself to the Pope, or cause the French king to write in his behalf, on account of Lutheranism. If the Pope knew that he was doing anything for the King, he would never obtain leave, and there would be danger that they would excite the Venetian senate against him. Prefers other persons to him to prevent the Senate from discovering what he is doing. Suggests that the task of obtaining friends should be committed to Georgius, and that of examining Greek books to Dominic of Treviso, his nephew, who is well disposed to the King, and learned in Greek, while Croke should be sent to Germany to obtain friends. Unless the King keeps everything secret, will not escape assassination by those who betray the King's secrets, not only to the Emperor and the Pope, but everywhere to all persons.

Sends letters of Franciscus. "Quæ hic intellexerat frater episcopi in hoc ab episcopo missus ut explorato an ego me pro regio gessissem, coerceret aut male tractaret, etiam dicat episcopus. Nos omnia quæ ad ipsum scripsimus testibus fide dignissimis episcopo probavimus." If the King had only trusted him and his brother, the cause would not have been in everybody's mouth. Neither the Pope nor the Emperor knows what we [are doing]. The Imperial ambassadors, and chiefly the Spanish princes, are daily with the King's ambassador. It was reported here that the Cardinal had sent some thousands to John of Hungary, the Turk's friend, by the officer of the couriers at Tarentum. Not long after it was reported that the King had sent this money. Thinks the report arose because John's ambassador was often with the King's, not only in public but in private. Desires him to entrust the King's business at Rome and in the neighbourhood only to the Bishop and his brother. Franciscus and his nephew are the only persons to be trusted in the Signory, and they would not be safe if it were known that they are engaged on the King's cause. Letters should be sent to the Senate, and others should be encouraged to follow their example by some great reward.

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[CROKE] to FOXE—*cont.*

Complains of his own necessity. If he had money the King would have all the Italian doctors. Venice, 21.

Lat., copy in Croke's hand, pp. 2, mutilated.

21 [Feb.] **6236.** [CROKE] to STOKESLEY.

Vit.B.XIII. 54. B. M.

Sends the letter which he wants, which is not Gregory's, but Basil's, " . . . . . eandem cum commentariis." Has collected from the Greek Councils passages which are in the King's favor, and some from a rhapsody of authors on the Old and New Testaments, but has no time to make copies to send. Sends the writings of learned Jews in Hebrew, which prove what Stokesley most desired to have proved. Sends also other writings. Francis was a Venetian senator, and, though destined for the Council of Ten, remained in his Order for 49 years (*destinatum nobili illi Veneti consilii decemviratu[i] in religione perstitisse* 49 *annos.*) He was also public and perpetual reader. He urged Mark Raphael to write, obtained Greek books for Croke from Greek nobles, prepared catalogues of the libraries, borrowed 10 ancient books from the Senate on the security of himself and his nephew, Dominic of Treviso, while the ambassador was causing all the delay and hindrance that he could, and would not furnish Croke with a single book, though he pretended that he was daily treating with the Doge (*Princeps*), but could obtain nothing. He tried to make Croke abandon all hope, by giving him a fictitious copy of the catalogue of St. Mark's library. He disclosed to every one, even to the Senate, the cause of Croke's coming. He told all with whom Croke was dealing, that the King had planned this divorce in consequence of his love for a girl, and that the people opposed it, and that the Emperor and the Pope would never suffer it. Without the help of the Bishop and his brother Peter de Ghinucci, he would have caused many to leave them, for he had even incited Father Francis against them, who, however, was restrained by the King's letters. The Bishop's promises and his brother's diligence and eloquence were of much service. Desires him to ask the King to write to the Venetian senate, and either to reward Francis and his nephew, or at least invite them to England. Through him alone they will gain 100 theologians, in fact all the theologians and jurists of the Signory and Milan. Sends the names of those they have already gained, and the book containing the epistle. Insists on the necessity of keeping secret what he writes. " Quod cupio ut rex scribat est ut uno impetu unanimes pro rege [Angliæ] illius causam orbi ostendant esse æquissimam, quod autem sic pronunc[iabunt] dubii, cum jam illos omnes nos paraverimus. Superest ut me . . . . . qui tenuitate dietarum vix hic vivendo sum quam . . . . . a rege corrigendam putabo ego meam hic . . . . . collocatam. Venetiis, xxi . . ."

Sends a draft of a letter to be sent by the King to the Venetians, commending Jerome Aleander, Peter Bembo, Victor Faustus, Baptist Egnatius, and Francis Georgius, and requesting permission for theologians to discuss and give opinions in writing on the questions which the King's subject will show them.

To avoid envy, puts others before Francis. Knows that letters like the above would please the Venetians.

Lat., pp. 2, draft, mutilated.

6237. [CROKE to STEPHEN GARDINER.]

Vit.B.XIII. 55. B. M.

Gives him some of the information in the preceding letter to Stokesley. Could not write Casale's daily frauds on three sheets of paper. Would have had the epistle a month ago, if he had not prevented it. He urges Croke to write, but showed to others what he once wrote. Dissembles to avoid injury

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to himself or the King's cause, and wishes the King to do the same until Croke has left Italy, for he fears poison or the dagger. The names of those whose writings or subscriptions have been obtained through Franciscus are doctors Philip de Cremis, Hannibal, John Maria of Padua, de Barlaan, Donatus de Feltro, Mark of Sienna, Thomas prior of the Preachers. The others are either public preachers or professors, either here or at Padua. Will send a much larger list in a month; for every one at Padua, Verona, Treviso, Venice, and Milan depend on Francis. In consequence of his merits, the King should either invite him to England, or make him and his nephew a handsome present. Advises that the latter should be charged to examine Greek books while Croke goes to Germany to procure friends. Francis will encourage his nephew if a commission is given to both of them, and they should immediately send what they find to the bishop of Worcester. The King would have lost Francis and 100 theologians who depend on him, through the arts of the ambassador, unless the Bishop and his brother had encouraged him by frequent letters. The King should write to the Senate according to the enclosed minute. "Sed ut non a[nte] . . . . . tradantur quam mihi visum sit idoneum pro commodo causæ sc . . . . . et dari et supprimi possent polliciti sunt nobis jam septemd[ecim] . . . . . doctores plures vel scripturos se, vel alieno pro nobis suum . . . . . subscripturos eos quam possumus, primum hoc est au . . . . . opera mittemus. Obsecro sis memor dietæ . . . . . su[m]ptus superant viatici modum . . . . . operam princip . . ." * * *

Lat., p. 1, *draft, mutilated.*

6238. Ric. Croke to ———.

Vit. B. xiii. 42. B. M.

Has so compassed his business that he trusts "to have Padu[a] with a little help wholly to conclude for the King." The Prothonotary [says that he] has seen the epistle for which they seek, in Alean[der's] hand, and that it is Basil's, not Gregory's. The prothonotary De Cassalis has taken great pains to cause Croke to see books, as he says, but has found great difficulty, probably because he is known openly as the King's ambassador, and because he is not a Venetian. Has seen nothing yet, by his means. Those whom he has used as means for this purpose are either abused themselves, or have abused him; for several times when he had appointed Croke to wait upon him, he has sent word that those whom he has to meet could not attend. They also gave him an untrue index, a copy of which Croke sends to the bishop of Worcester, with a copy of the true index of all the "books of Scripture" in St. Mark's library, Venice. By means of a learned Venetian noble, yesterday obtained from the library two books of Nazianzen's epistles, *Quæstiones Maximi, Margaritæ Chrysostomi*, and all the Canons and Acts of the Councils, with a Greek commentary, and some letters from bishops, though the Duke had refused such permission to the Prothonotary. Four doctors here "have written and concluded with the King's," and their authority is such that there is no doubt of obtaining all Padua. One of them is a noble, and his cousin german is governor of Padua, and pays all the readers. He has promised that if we can find the means our questions may be disputed by licence of the Duke.

Hol., copy, p. 1, *mutilated.*

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6239. [Croke] to Ghinucci.

Vit. B. xiii. 56. B. M.

Advises him not to show the Greek paper which Ghinucci asked him to send, to any Englishmen; for, as it contains nothing concerning the cause, and, in fact, is rather opposed to it, they might think he was laughing at them. " . . . . nostri maxime si in eam Nazianzeni unam aut alteram

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[CROKE] to GHINUCCI—*cont.*

epistolam incid . . . . . integram quas ego mancas nescio vetustatis vitio aut mali doli . . . . . machinamentis potius dixerim." A leaf appears to have been recently torn off, which [contains] the end of Nazianzen's letter to Stagirion, and the beginning of that to Amphilochius. The following letter, the third, shows that it is to Amphilochius, "quæ postea ad verbum in eodem libro Amp[hilochii] nuncupata inveniuntur, ita ut ne verbum quidem mutetur."

The letter to Amphilochius about incestuous marriages, that is, of a person marrying two brothers or two sisters, has already been mentioned in their letters to the King. The end of the letter, which they judge to be written to Amphilochius,* and of which the beginning is lost, is as follows: "γάμους χριστιανῶν ἔχειν τὸ εὔκοσ . . . . . κόσμος δὲ ἡ σεμνότης. ταῦτα δωροφοροῦμεν τῷ γάμῳ, σὺ δὲ ἡμῖν ἀν . . . . . " Cannot translate these words well without seeing the whole letter. States what he thinks to be the meaning. "Hæc fieri posset ut visa epistola nihil ad rhombum, tamen si hæc pro mea fide ad regem ut etiam ad te et tu jam eam miseris quæ ad me misisti, dabitur magnus suspicacibus et calumniatoribus suspican[di] calumniandique locus, præsertim cum a nepote veniant, quem tu dicis Græcæ linguæ non esse imperitum."

On Thursday or Friday the other [book] of Nazianzen will be given them. As it is entire, will soon see whether the letter is to Amphilochius, and whether it makes for us, and he will immediately inform Ghinucci. This will not vex Ghinucci more than it will Croke, who said that by a failure of memory Stokesley attributed to Nazianzen what was Basil's. If he find it in Nazianzen's works, what will he think of Croke and of Ghinucci? Sends for Stokesley the Hebrew writings of Mark Raphael, and will send others. Asks him how many, and what, theologians he shall engage. Sees that there are a great troop of theologians and jurists who sell their work, and have not yet been engaged by any one. Friar Francis promises ten more doctors in six days, and many more afterwards. Friar Thomaso, prior of the Dominicans, promises seven. Croke has not spoken to any of them. Sends all his letters to Ghinucci open, but not to be shown to any one. Ghinucci's brother takes charge of them, and has promised to send him a copy of the Bishop's letter to the King, that there may be no discrepancies. 22.

Lat., draft, p. 1, *mutilated.*

22 Feb. **6240.** [CROKE] to PETER [GHINUCCI].

Vit. B. XIII. 56 b. B. M.

. . . . . "si is essem qui essem qui agere quam habere aut referre . . . . . s mavelim, multis verbis tempus extraherem, nunc vero cum nunquam non habere possem nunquam non cogitare ut referam, satis erit indicasse me tibi cupere velleque referre gratiam." Begs him not to show his letters to any one except the Bishop (*Domino*) as long as he (Croke) remains in Italy; after his departure he may do as he pleases. Reminds him of his promise to send him a copy of the letter which the Bishop is about to write to the King. Asks him to inform him if any news comes from England, and when the ambassadors come to Bologna; and to send the dispensation. Wishes the Bishop to write to him about the theologians and jurists who he thinks should be engaged; to commend Croke to the King; to obtain an increase of his diets; to send to Stokesley as soon as possible the Hebrew writings of Mark Raphael, and to commend Croke to him. It is reported here that 30,000 Turkish cavalry are near Vienna. 22 Feb., in the evening. "Per Joannem Μαριαμ."

Lat., draft, p. 1, *mutilated. Headed:* Domino Petro.

* To Diocles. Epist. ccxxxii.

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22 Feb. **6241.** CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 6,113, f. 108. B. M.

"The coronation of Charles the Emperor in Bonony, otherwise called Bullein le Grace, in Italy." 1530, 22 Feb.

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24 Feb. **6242.** GHINUCCI to [CROKE].

Vit. B. XIII. 46. B. M.

Ghinucci's brother has returned, bringing writings, letters to be sent to England, and one from Coke to him, saying that he is surprised that Ghinucci has not written about the receipt of the epistle of Basil. Delayed writing about that and other things till his brother's arrival. Has sent the epistle to the King, according to the letter he received from his brother in Croke's name. Has sent the dispensation to Foxe, and has made no mention of the money lent. Will send Croke's dispensation when he knows the title of his benefice. Wishes he could satisfy him about the expression which he wants, but could only obtain it "*sub verborum qualitate.*" Had already heard what he had done with his brother and the Prothonotary. Does not think much of what he (the Prothonotary) has written to the King, for he considers the King to be of such a nature that the Prothonotary can do them little harm or good. Will tell Stephen and Foxe not to show Croke's letters to any one except the King. Will try to obtain from the King a recognition of brother Francis' assistance, who deserves it. Will mention also the nephew, as Croke desires. Writes to the King about Croke's letters to the Senate, and sends a copy of them to Stephen.† Has written also about Croke's industry and other merits, and will write about his diets. Has never written to England since Croke left, without mentioning this to Stephen, Foxe, and the Treasurer,‡ and has also spoken of it in his letters to the King.

"Quod autem in literis ad Foxum interserebas, numerasse mihi pecuniam, cum præter id quod non satis id verisimile fuisset, etiam his, quæ meis literis semper scripsi, adversari fuisset visum, deducente te rem ad arbitrium meum, partem illam elegi qua consentis ut verba illa c . . . . . Sed ita etiam Foxo scripsi ut sperem quod verba illa effectura put . . . . . non minus effectura quæ ad eum scripsi, quamvis etiam in literis . . . . . Foxi alia verba remanet satis urgentia quibus possit . . . . . ad id Foxus induci ad quod per verba illa cassat . . . . . eum putabas. Quod scripseram de incedendo m . . . . . propterea scripsi quod prudentiss . . . . . ex parva recognitione" * * *

The matter thus remains in suspense till they have an answer from the King. Will write about the oration of St. Clement and the other things mentioned in the memorial given by Croke to his brother. Promises to act towards him as to an only brother. Bologna, 24 Feb. 1530.

Has received a letter from Stokesley, dated Feb. 15, Cherbourg (*in oppido Caritatis*). Believes he is now at Lyons. The Emperor was crowned today with great pomp. Received, March 1.

Lat., pp. 2, copy by Croke, mutilated.

24 Feb. **6243.** THE KING'S ROBES.

R. O.

Account of silver and gold tinsel, &c. received by John Parker yeoman of the Robes, for the King's use, of Anthony Carsydony. *Signed by Parker.*

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† Gardiner. ‡ Tuke.

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25 Feb. **6244.** G. DE GRAMONT, Bishop of Tarbe, to BRION.

Le Grand, III. 386.

Private matters touching the abbeys of S. Jean d'Angely and l'Estoile.

You will see by the report I have sent to the King about the Emperor's coronation, and the apostyles in the margin, the order of those employed to do him service at it. I can tell you the Pope tried to show him the best cheer possible, giving him the sword, and putting the first crown on his head; but I think he never in his life performed a ceremony which touched him so near the heart, nor of which less good is likely to come to him. For, several times, when he thought no one saw him, he heaved such sighs that, heavy as his cope was, he made it shake in good earnest. Nassau and I were together between the chair of the Pope and that of the Emperor, resting against the latter. I fancy you would not believe that we kept silence while the ceremony was taking place, and that I did not answer him all his questions, and assure him of Francis' great satisfaction, and that if they could have understood each other long ago they would have had the gratification they had then, as Francis for a long time has desired nothing else than the Emperor's happiness, and that as they were doing this in peace it might be understood what amity would follow hereafter. "Ils sont tousjours à leur oguinerie,* disans que mes que eux deulx se fient l'ung de l'autre, ils feront de belles choses." And I replied to him, laughing, that they might easily see, by what Francis had done since the treaty, that he had some confidence for his part, and that I was sure they knew very well it was true. He asked me if I did not think the Emperor should send a gentleman to Francis to inform him about his coronation. I said I expected he would not do otherwise, considering the amity between them, and that he could not intimate it to any Prince who would rejoice more at it than Francis. He then said that he saw no longer any difficulty about the deliverance of the children. It was true that Francis, as I knew, had raised some doubt about Fontarabia, but he took it on his honor that the Emperor did not desire the deliverance to be made at Fontarabia for any other reason than for the difficulty raised by the constable of Spain, and that he did not mean to take any advantage by having Fontarabia and the other castle there. These he could not take away, but he meant to have them put in such a state that one might say in truth they were not there to help them any more than Francis. He told me the Emperor had said to him that day that he would like his wife to go into France with the Queen, and that he was very glad of it, to have an opportunity, if possible, of seeing Francis.

The duke of Milan is always ill, and you may believe that if the chancellor of Spain were to do him the favor he has done him, it would be with great difficulty, for the Duke had made him great promises, and, as I understand, does not keep the half of them. The Pope had great fear he would die; and, as he told me, he lives in the hope of seeing the said duchy in the hands of one of Francis' children; and believe me that the long intercourse they have had together has rather created enmity than friendship in him. He has confessed to me he knows very well they are deceiving him, but he means to dissemble. Such being the case, you may rest assured that time will produce results which will please Francis. He is enraged at Florence, and has determined, if the Emperor leaves before it is taken, to retain 6,000 Germans and the Emperor's horse, which he expects the Emperor to pay, though I think he will not; and for his part he will have 5,000 or 6,000 Italians, and keep the town besieged, without giving the assault, if the prince of Orange do not surrender before the Emperor's departure. I hear such news of the Turk and the Lutherans that I think as they have begun so early, and con-

* Qu. from *hoguiner*, to vex or trouble?

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tinue by all the couriers that come from Germany, they will do something to his disadvantage. He continues in the same goodwill touching Ferrara. Boulogne (Bologna), 25 Feb.

French. The original is endorsed: "Copie de la lettre escripte par Monsieur de Tarbe en chiffre à Monsieur l'Admiral."

27 Feb. **6245.** BISHOP OF TARBE to MONS. DE VILLANDRY.

Le Grand, III. 391.

As the Emperor has delayed to give us an answer about the testament of king René of Sicily, and the marriage contract of Madame Valentine, which Francis desires to keep on account of their importance, I shall also delay to make answer upon the contents of the letters written by Francis to Morette and me. But I wish to tell you that the Pope and Emperor have been informed, and the Pope tells me it is certain, that the duke of Ferrara holds his chin high to the Florentines. At this they are much dissatisfied, although I think the Emperor will dissemble it, whatever promise to the contrary he may give to the Pope, for he must be gone, and will be very glad to fill his purse. They have had news here that twelve galleys have been burnt that they were making at Genoa; no one knows by whom. Andrea Doria is rather better treated than the others here, for the need they have of him. The duke of Milan is always ill. Since yesterday he has been declared dead two or three times, but the Pope told me today that he is better than he has been for two days. I had rather that some one else wrote to you of the practice that is said to be begun here (*la praticque que l'on dit se mener*) about the matter of Mons. de Boulan. It shall not be my fault if I do not give you full particulars, but I think the best way to learn them will be by the Pope, if there be any truth in it. The greatest fear that the Emperor has about this affair is that Francis will favor it; and, seeing the terms which he has held to the others (*i.e.* the English ?), he trusts, now that he has begun to have confidence in the friendship of France, not to meet with a terrible rebuff. I beg you will learn from Francis, since the Grand Master was absent, in what way we ought to conduct ourselves; for by showing less or greater familiarity, we shall, perhaps, cause those here who are suspicious to regulate their conduct to us. Bologna, 27 Feb.

French. The original was in cipher.

27 Feb. **6246.** [JOHN AWDELEY] to the LORDS OF THE STAR CHAMBER.

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See No. 3974, which should have been inserted here, as Sir Ric. Lyster was not appointed chief baron of the Exchequer till 12 May 1529.

Feb. **6247.** [GARDINER to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 51. B. M. Burnet, Pt. I. Bk. II. No. 32.

Arrived at Cambridge last Saturday at noon. Talked that night with the Chancellor and others, how to further the King's purpose. Found much towardness in the Vice-chancellor and Dr. Edmunds. Nevertheless there was as much done by others in opposition. As we assembled they assembled, and as we made friends so did they, to prevent anything passing in the name of the University. On the first day they were superiors, having circulated many stories too tedious to write. On Sunday afternoon all the doctors, B.A.s, and M.A.s were assembled to the number of nearly 200, when we delivered your Grace's letters, which were read by the Vice-chancellor. The Vice-chancellor then called the doctors apart, and asked their opinion; when they gave different answers, and great confusion arose. At last they were willing that answers should be made to the questions by indifferent men; but they make exception to the abbot of St. Benet's, Dr. Reppes, Dr. Crome, and generally to all who had approved of Cranmer's book, as having declared their opinion already. We said by that way they might

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except against all, for in so notable a question every learned man must have told his friend what he thought. At last the Vice-chancellor commanded every man to his seat, and bade him state his mind secretly, whether they would be content with such an order as he had conceived for answer to be made by the University to your Grace's letters. Could not get them to agree that night, and the Vice-chancellor adjourned the Congregation till I next day, when he proposed a grace after the enclosed form. This was at first refused. On being asked again, parties were balanced. At last, by labor of friends, some of the opponents were induced to depart the house, and it was carried according to the form in schedule. Two points we should have liked to leave out, but by inserting them we allured many; viz., 1, the expression *duæ partes*, instead of *quicquid major pars decreverit;* and, 2, the provision that the question be openly disputed. This, however, is very honorable, and we have arranged that the abbot of St. Benet's, Dr. Reppes, Gardiner, and Fox shall reply to all objections. Also, as Dr. Clyffes has given notice that he will say something about the canon law, Gardiner will be joined to them to make answer therein. In the enclosed schedule the names marked A. are already of the King's opinion. Cambridge, Feb.

In Gardiner's hand; mutilated.

f. 53. ii. "The grace purposed and [obtained]," referring the question in the King's letters to the following persons; the decision of two parts of whom shall be taken as the determination of the whole University, provided the matter be disputed publicly, and be read beforehand in presence of the University:—

A. Vice-cancellarius.

Doctores:—A. Salcot, abbot of St. Benet's. Watson. A. Reps. Tomson. Venetus (*de isto bene speratur*). A. Edmunds. Downes. A. Crome. A. Wygan. A. Boston.

Magistri in Theologia:—Myddelton. A. Heynes. Mylsent (*de isto bene speratur*). A. Shaxton. A. Latymer. A. Simon. Longford (*de isto bene speratur*). Thyxtel. Nicols. Hutton. A. Skip. A. Goodrich. A. Heth. Hadwey (*de isto bene speratur*). Dey. Bayne.

A. A. Duo Procuratores.

Your Highness may perceive by the notes that we be already sure of as many as be requisite, wanting only three; and we have good hope of four; of which four if we get two, and obtain of another to be absent, it is sufficient for our purpose.

6248. GRANTS in FEBRUARY 1530.

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GRANTS.

1. Geo. Nevile lord Bergevenni. Inspeximus and confirmation, as tenant of the manor of Kedermestre, of patent 27 Oct. 6 Hen. VI., inspecting and exemplifying the enrolment of charter 7 Aug. 10 Ric. II., being a grant of liberties to John Beauchamp of Holt, and Joan his wife, in their lordship and fee of Kedermestre. Westm., 1 Feb.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

1. Edmund Staunton, woolpacker, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clifford. York Place, 14 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 Feb.—P.S.

2. Robt. Cassy *alias* Carssey. Livery of lands as brother and heir of Leonard Cassy *alias* Crassye, deceased, s. and h. of Wm. Cassy, jun., deceased, and kinsman and heir of John Cassye, viz., brother of the said Leonard, s. and h. of the said Wm., s. and h. of the said John. York Place, 20 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 2 Feb.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 3.

3. Roger Radclyf, gentleman usher of the Chamber. Custody of the site of the manor of Knaptoft, Leic., and certain other land, parcel of the said manor; also the advowson

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of Knaptoft church, and an annual rent of 10*d.* out of the township of Sadyngton, Leic.; all which belonged to John Turpyn, deceased. Also wardship of Wm. s. and h. of the said John Turpyn. York Place, 3 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 20. (*Undated.*)

4. Baptyste Gold. To have the pension which the bishop elect of Durham is bound to give to a clerk of the King's nomination till he be promoted to a competent benefice. York Place, 4 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Feb.—P.S.

4. John Trenans. Grant of a tenement called Barne gate, with an orchard, and 7 small closes in the parish of Lelynerey, Cornw., not exceeding the yearly value of 8*s.* 10*d.*, at the rent of a red rose at Midsummer, if asked for; lately held by Thos. Carmynow. York Place, 31 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Feb.—P.S.

5. John Blackden, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Kenmarton, Worc. dioc., void by death, and in the King's gift by the minority of Blanche, a d. and h. of Edw. s. and h. of Robt. Willoughby lord Broke. 2 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 Feb. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 6 *and* 8.

5. John Hyggons, yeoman, late of Southpetherton, Somers. Pardon for having, in conjunction with David Mathewe and Hen. Thomas, stolen certain property belonging to Philip Fulford at Shepton Malett. *Del.* Westm., 5 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

7. To the Deputies, &c. of Calais, Guysnes, and Mark and Oye. Protection for merchant manufacturers of wools and fleeces, of the towns of Legh, Harlam, Delf, Tergowe, and Hamsterdam, and other places in Holland, Selland, Brabant, and Flanders, trading to and from Calais. York Place, 7 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 7 Feb. —P.S.

8. Robt. Reynoldes. To be a spear at Calais, with 1*s.* 6*d.* a day, when a vacancy occurs. York Place, 1 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 8 Feb.—P.S.

8. Nich. Robynson, of Redbourne, Herts. Pardon for having accidentally killed Ric. Elyott while shooting. Westm., 8 Feb.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 16.

8. Rich. abbot, and the convent of Malmesbury. Inspeximus and confirmation of patent 11 May 14 Hen. VII., inspecting and confirming patent 22 Mar. 5 Edw. IV., inspecting and confirming patent 26 Mar. 8 Ric. II., inspecting and confirming the following grants to the abbot and convent of Malmesbury; viz., 1, a charter of St. Edward, dated 1065, indiction iv. 2, a charter of Matilda wife of Will. I., dated Feb. 1081, 15 Will. I., indiction iv. 3, a charter of Ric. I., dated Sept. 6, at Westminster. 4, a charter, dated 18 July 17 John. 5, a charter, dated 3 Aug. 36 Hen. III. Westm., 8 Feb. —*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 17.

11. John Brynklowe and Dorothy his wife, one of the ds. and hs. of Edward Hawte, of Petham, Kent, and Elizabeth his wife, one of the ds. and hs. of Thos. Frognall. Licence to alienate the reversion of the third part of the fourth part of the manor of Bukland, Kent, and of the advowson of the parish church there, (which purparty is now held by the said Edward Hawte, and should, on his decease, revert to the said John and Dorothy, and the heirs of Dorothy,) to Ric. Dryland, sen., of Feversham, Kent, and his heirs for ever. Westm., 11 Feb.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

11. Sir Ant. Poyntz, Sir Edm. Tame, Sir John Bruges, Sir John Walsshe, Thos. Whityngton, Wm. Tracy, Robt. Wye, and Rowland Morton. Commission of sewers, for the waters which fall into the river Severn from Upton bridge, Worc., to Newenham, Glouc. Westm., 11 Feb.——(*This instrument is enrolled inversely on the membrane.*) —*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 25*d.*

11. Ric. Cappon, stockfishmonger, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. York Place, 5 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 11 Feb.—P.S.

11. Thos. Curwen, Esq., of London, *alias* of the King's Household. Protection; going to Berwick-on-Tweed in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clyfford. *Signed by Clyfford. Del.* Hampton Court, 11 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—P.S. *writ.*

12. Baldwin Malett. Custody of possessions in Combeburgh and Clyston Dartemouth, Devon, lately belonging to John Carow, of Hakcombe, deceased, with wardship of Thos. s. and h. of the said John. *Del.* Westm., 12 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 16.

12. Thos. Glosse, husbandman, of Halberton, Devon. Pardon for felony. York Place, 9 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Feb.—P.S.

12. Brian Jepson, clothier, of Wakefield, Yorks. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clyfford. York Place, 7 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Feb.—P.S.

12. Oswold Grice, clothier, of Wakefield, Yorks. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clyfford. York Place, 7 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Feb.—P.S.

13. John Copleston. Licence to hold a market and two annual fairs in his town of Chagford, within his manor of Chagford, Devon. York Place, 13 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 15. (*Undated.*)

13. David Williams, clothier, of Reading. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. York Place, 13 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. —P.S.

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13. John Chereton, merchant, of Exeter, Devon. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. York Place, 12 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 13 Feb.—P.S.

14. Sir Bryan Case, one of the ministers of the Chapel Royal. To have the pension which the next prior of the monastery of Marten, Surrey, is bound to give to a clerk of the King's nomination till he be promoted to a competent benefice. York Place, 9 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 Feb.—P.S.

16. Thos. Purpet, merchant, of Norwich. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield. York Place, 28 Jan. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 Feb.—P.S.

16. Wm. Wyllyngton. Lease of the site of the manor and demesne lands of Braylee; the toll, market, and market-place, and the water-mill, &c. there, parcel of Warwick's lands, for 21 years, from 1549 on the expiration of the lease held by John Banks. *Del.* Westm., 16 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 8.——*Vacated on surrender* 13 *Mar.* 30 *Hen. VIII.*

16. Anthony Lisle of Rouen, France. Denization. York Place, 14 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 Feb.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

17. Thos. Greve, of Shenley, Herts., gent., *alias* Grevys. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield, deputy of Calais. *Del.* York Place, 17 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—P.S. b.

17. Thos. Rising, worsted weaver, of Norwich. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clifford, vice-captain of Berwick. York Place, 6 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 Feb.—P.S.

17. Edm. Baker, sherman, of Norwich. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfelde. York Place, 14 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 Feb.—P.S.

20. Sir Hen. Wyat. Licence to enfeoff Hen. earl of Essex, Thos. Vaus lord Harrodon, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., Sir Wm. Parre, Thos. lord Brough, Sir Edw. Darell, Edw. Brough, Thos. Pykeryng, Thos. Butler, Jas. Rokesby, Christ. Goodman, and Alan Sheppard, clk., of the manor of Cargo, Cumb., and certain messuages and lands therein, the manor of Kendall, and the moiety of the manor of Gresmere, Westmor., and certain messuages and lands therein, and 14*l.* rent in Hutton, Haye, Gilthwaytrigge, Strikland, Hugyll, Greynrigge, Ullathornes, Ruston, and Kyrby in Kendall, Westmor.; to hold to the said Earl, &c., and their heirs for ever. Westm., 20 Feb.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 32.——*Enrolled also on Pat. Roll,* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

20. Ric. Birdsall, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Ampthill, Linc. dioc., void by death. York Place, 20 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 16. (*Undated.*)

21. Thos. duke of Norfolk. Wardship of Thos. s. and h. of Wm. Tymperley. *Del.* Westm., 21 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 23.

21. Edward earl of Derby, the King's kinsman, s. and h. of Thos. late earl of Derby. Pardon of the forfeiture he made in marrying Katharine, d. of Thos. duke of Norfolk, without royal licence. *Del.* Westm., 21 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 23.

21. Thos. duke of Norfolk. Pardon for the abduction of Edward earl of Derby, and marriage of the said Edward to Katharine, d. of the said Thos., without royal licence. *Del.* Westm., 21 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 23.

21. Thos. Greve of Shenley, Herts. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfeld. York Place, 17 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Teste* Westm., 21 Feb.—P.S.

22. *Notts:* Sir Brian Stapulton, Nich. Stirley, John Basset, and Hen. Sutton. Commission to make inquisition p.m. on the lands and heir of Sir Ric. Bozom. Westm., 22 Feb.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19*d.*

22. Thos. Hennege. To be steward and bailiff of the manor of Hampton Court, Middx., and of the town of Hampton; also to be keeper of the North and South Parks, and warrener of the warren in the said manor; with 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* a year. York Place, 3 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Feb.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 20.

22. Thos. Barthelet, the King's printer. Annuity of 4*l.* for life. York Place, 15 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Feb.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 17.

23. Ant. Daly of Newcastle, in the parish of St. David, co. Conolagh, Ireland, *alias* late servant of the earl of Desmond. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 23 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 17.

24. Hen. Norreys. Custody of the possessions of Edw. Fynes, deceased, with wardship of Ric. s. and h. of the said Edward. *Del.* Westm., 24 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 1.

24. Sir Wm. Pawlett. Custody of the reversion of the manors of Weston, Bannfyld, Donkerton, Ham, and Wemerham, Somers.; also reversion of the moiety of the manor of Northmolton, Devon, lately belonging to Edward Bannfyld, deceased; with wardship of Edward, s. and h. of the said Edward. *Del.* Westm., 24 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

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25. Sir Ant. Fitzherbert, Sir John Biron, Wm. Coffen, John Curson, and Arthur Aire. Commission to make inquisition p.m. on the lands and heir of Roger Fuljambe. Westm., 25 Feb.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19*d.*

25. Sir Ant. Fitzherbert, Sir John Biron, Wm. Coffen, John Curson, and Arthur Aire. Commission to make inquisition p.m. on the lands and heir of Robt. Lee and ———* his wife, d. and h. of John Laythbury. Westm., 25 Feb.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19*d.*

26. John Baynes, mariner, of Feversham, Kent. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfeld. York Place, 14 Feb. 21 Hen.VIII. *Teste* Westm., 26 Feb.—P.S.

26. Peter Powell. Lease of the manor of Penbeder, in the lordship of Ruthin, *alias* Deffreneloid, marches of Wales, for 21 years; at the annual rent of 26*s.* 8*d.*, and 6*s.* 8*d.* of increase. *Del.* Chelsea, 26 Feb. 21 Hen.VIII. —S.B.

28. *Kent:* Commission to John Hales, baron of the Exchequer, and Wm. Draper of Erith, Kent, to make inquisition p.m. on the lands and heir of Thos. Denny. Westm., 28 Feb. —*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19*d.*

30. Maurice ap Henry, of New Kermerden. Lease of the lordship of Llanlough, Carmarthen, S. Wales, for 21 years; at the annual rent of 8*l.*, and 10*s.* of increase; with reservations. *Del.* Chelsea, 30 Feb. (*sic*) 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 16.

30. Thos. Lichefeld. Lease of the grange in the fee of Liquith, and 2 watermills, and houses under Cardiff Castle, in the lordship of Glamorgan and Morgannok, parcel of the lands late of Jasper duke of Bedford, for 21 years; at the annual rents of 6*l.* for the grange, and 3*s.* 4*d.* of increase, and 15*l.* 12*d.* for the mills, &c., and 6*s.* 8*d.* of increase. *Del.* Chelsea, 30 Feb. (*sic*) 21 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 17.

6249. WOLSEY to [CRUMWELL].

Cott. App. XLVIII. 22. B. M. St. P. I. 361.

"I can nat exsprese howe gretly your letters have comfortyd me, beyng in manner in extreme dessperation. I beseche our Lorde to rewarde yow for the same. And wher ye wold I shuld thys day remeve to Richemond loge,† yt ys nat possybyll for me so to do, nat havyng any provysyon ther; wherfor I most hertyly beseche that lyche wyse as ye wer determynyd thys nigth to me with your holsom medycyne, so ye wold take the payne to bryng the same hyther thys nygth, wych be to the inestymabyll consolacion of me and all my folks. And thus our Lorde send goode spede and exspedicion in al my maters. With the rude hand of yours assurydly, T. Carlis. Ebor." *Hol.*

2 March. Vit. B. XIII. 56 b. B. M.

6250. [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Is suffering from fever, and is forbidden by the physicians to study. Ghinucci's brother, on leaving, told Croke to be secure about money, and to spare nothing in engaging learned men. Has no reason to doubt the faith or sincerity of either of them, but he wonders that they leave him without money or advice. The sum, in addition to the hundred which Ghinucci promised him in his brother's presence, De la Fossa will not pay without new letters from the Bishop, though Croke wants the money down. On Saturday he said he would give it on Monday; on Monday, that the bank was shut, and he must come on Tuesday. On Tuesday he put him off till Wednesday evening. Meantime is miserably in want, and cannot insure the help of those whom he has already obtained for the King's side. "Et jam non putas tu pecuniam ad illos conducendos multos mature multam [m]ittendam qui jam pro nobis sollicitantur? Tu literarum tam Francisci Craucini [quam . . . . . ad] patrem Franciscum, iterum patris Thomasi ad me accipies hoc . . . . . exemplar, et illæ nomina ut conducamus aut rejiciamus . . . . . st. Si conducenda putes, pecuniam justam mitte, et cito; [nullus enim] ignorare potest homo quam tu es omnium rerum peritus . . . . . Nec mihi illud excidere potest illud

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* Blank in orig. † Was at Richmond 15 March (?)

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Catonis * * * Atque adeo suspecta magis omnia habeo, metuoque ut occupatus bolus rapiatur e bucca s . . . . . illic operam quid putes posse conferre non detractavero usque ad mortem . . . . ." Wants power, but will take care that he does not seem to want courage. Franciscus [de] Cruce is, in the opinion of many, learned and upright; but when he asked the names of the parties, we were in doubt what answer to give, as, from the words of Ghinucci's brother, Croke supposes he does not wish anything to be concealed from doctors of the law, lest, after receiving their money, they should turn back. Agrees with Ghinucci that the same should not be done with the theologians; but the following questions should be opened: Whether the Levitical law is divine, moral, and natural, and would have been of perpetual obligation if no new state had intervened, in consequence of the Church; whether the Pope can dispense with the first grade of affinity in the transverse line; and whether the law of Deuteronomy is ceremonial and abolished. Hope of reward should be held out to those who answer in the affirmative. Expects to be able to obtain a written promise from each. Francis has promised the names of his doctors on the first day of Lent; "quo tempore et omnia fere Prioris Thomæ habituros spes est." Sends a new writing by Helias, plainly affirming that the precept was given for the purpose of raising offspring for the inheritance, and therefore "correlaria" to what is written in Num. 27th and last chapters about the daughters of Salphaad. We can have three or four more Rabbis, but they cannot be hired for less than 24 [cr.] Waits for his opinion, and will not spend money without his authority. Hopes to get an old book of the Epistles, but does not yet know the price. The King, in the notes which he gave Croke, mentions it among the first. We have read all Nazianzen's Epistles, but found nothing in the books we have; but in a very ancient book in the library of St. John and St. Paul have found entire the letter of which we sent a portion, addressed to Diocles, not, as we thought, to Amphilochius. Have only found one other passage referring to marriage, which, though it is not to the purpose, we send to show we have not been idle.

"Non puto posse fieri sine magno incommodo regis nec sui . . . . . nostro, fratris, inquam, tui et mei, denique etiam patris Fra[ncisci] . . . . . ut illos quos Franciscus Crucinus convenit rejiciamus . . . . . de Cruce aliquid singulis in expectationem . . . . . secutus fratris Francisci fidem * * * cognoscendis nominibus solicitudinem nasci a suspicione qua omnes fere sentiunt causam esse regiam. Debes intelligere ex primatibus Mediolanensibus esse hunc Crucinum atque adeo et maxime nobis illic aut prodesse aut obesse posse." Will go thither, if Ghinucci thinks it necessary, and will waste no time while doing it, for he will take books with him to read. Thinks that soon he should go to Rome, though he does not see that he can do much good there, and would rather go to England.

Asks Ghinucci to obtain the dispensation of Alexander VI. for Ferdinand king of Sicily, and Joan his aunt, who still survives, and also that for Emanuel, the present king of Portugal, who married two sisters.

Sent Ghinucci letters by Alexander de Horatio, enclosing a Hebrew writing of father Mark for Stokesley. Asks whether they have arrived. Does not believe that Ghinucci wrote during the coronation of the Emperor, as he says he did. Has received nothing, although messengers arrived from Bologna on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday with letters from Bernardino Mostye to John de la Fossa. Sends a new Hebrew writing of Mark to Ghinucci.

Received Ghinucci's letters late last night, but no money. Wonders that his dispensation is so long detained in Ghinucci's hands, and Foxe's so quickly sped. Sends this messenger at his own expence, to get a quicker

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answer. Though father Francis and his nephew neither expect nor demand anything, they will consider Croke an impostor unless they have experience of the King's kindness. Cannot divine what Ghinucci means about the middle way, as he has no copy of his letter. 2 March.

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Sent lately the Epistle of Basil, which Stokesley [had said] was Nazianzen's. Has turned over all Nazianzen's, but found nothing to the purpose. Sends two to show his diligence, though they are of no use. Sends two Hebrew writings of Jewish Rabbis, one of whom is a convert. Sends also two other writings by the same, in which one proves that this precept was for the preservation of inheritance. The Bishop sent him word by his brother that he must not spare money with the doctors who are on their side; and the following from Milan can be gained in addition to the names formerly sent: The suffragan of Milan; the vicar general of the bishop of Milan; Jerome a Paradiso, and Cornelius, professors of theology; a master of theology and perpetual vicar, "ordinis humilis," and also a canon; D. Lewis Ciconia, senator; D. Constantinus . . . . . ; D. Ambrosius de Curionibus, formerly interpreter of law (*juris utriusque*) at Bologna; and D. Aurelius Carpanus, doctor of law. Owes these and ten others to money, but more to the favor and industry of father Francis, without whom they would have had no one. The King will certainly suffer unless Stokesley takes care that Francis and his nephew are rewarded, for almost all the theologians and lawyers here look to him. He will not accept and he does not expect anything, but this is a greater reason for the King's liberality. Has already written that if the matter is discussed at Padua, almost all the University will pronounce for us, and all the public lawyers whom we have engaged have given bonds that they will defend the cause. All the Franciscans, both Observants and Conventuals, and the public doctors, professors, and preachers, have subscribed the writings of father Francis. The Dominicans have subscribed the writing of friar Thomas Omnibonus, of Venice, prior of S. John and P[aul], a learned man, formerly profe[ssor] of theology at Venice, now at Padua.

Boninus de Luniaco, provincial of Tuscany, Benedict de Utino, ordinary in theology . . . . . , John de Ecte . . . . . , M. Albertus . . . . . have promised, and others, whose names shall be sent in 14 days.

Johannes Venetus, regent of Padua and Venice, prior of Ravenna; Isidorus de Padua, prior of Padua; Cyprianus Morellus, of Venice, Augustine provincial, and regent of the university (*studii*) at Venice and Bologna; D. Augustinus Brenzonus, of Verona, doctor of canon law, and formerly professor of canon law at Padua and Rome. Besides these, Archangelus, a young Carmelite, and public reader of theology, has also promised to write for us.

Wishes the King to write about the discussion of the cause at Padua, and would wish father Omnibonus to be joined with father Francis. Stokesley knows how envy reigns here, and how dangerous it is to be concerned in public matters without the permission of the Senate. He must consult for their safety and the King's honor, which has been prostituted by the Casales. Wishes to speak alone with him when he comes to Bologna. The money he receives from England is not enough for his expences, and he has no money of his own. Must either perish of hunger, beg in England, or incur much debt. Would engage all the theologians and lawyers of Italy, if he had ready money. Perhaps, if the Bishop had money, as he is supposed to have, Croke would not have been so destitute; but the Bishop is deceived. Is ashamed to see how coldly those who at home have all they want, act in

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reference to a matter of so much importance, measuring our want and the destitution of Italy by the plenty of England. "Parum considerant illi indig[nationem] et murmura universæ Angliæ, quæ nobis ista tractantibus . . . . . ent, qui inique fieri putantur. Cur ergo doctorum omnium . . . . . consensu æquissima esse quæ molimur non ostendimus aut . . . . . suris aliis non ferimus opere. Nihil dico amplius obsecro . . . . . enim hoc stipendiolo durare * * * dietas patietur rationibus inferri rex." The diets are a mark a day, on which he cannot live. Foxe and Stephen know his weakness. Asks him to commend his poverty to the King, and obtain his recal, for he does not see that he can do more service to the King here. Venice, 2 March.

Lat., mutilated, draft, pp. 3.

6252. ——— to REGINALD POLE.

Vit. B. XIV. 298. B. M. Records of the Reformation, II. 643.

Being at court, I was desired by the duke of Norfolk to write to you how greatly he congratulated both himself and you that you acted so stoutly on the King's behalf, especially when it was without being asked or ordered by the King. Has heard the King himself express great satisfaction in having Pole at last for an advocate, to whose learning he pays so high a tribute that the writer cannot repeat it. Was delighted to have the task of writing this, on account of his friendship for Pole.

Lat., draft, mutilated.

6253. [HENRY VIII. to the EARL OF WILTSHIRE.]

Vit. B. XIV. 297. B. M. Records of the Reformation, II. 644.

"Mag. . . . . " has shown us your letters to himself, in which you appear particularly desirous that we should write to the dean and heads of the faculty of theology at Paris. We send you accordingly our letter to them, with a copy, so that if you and our kinsman think it will promote our cause, you may deliver them; but you must take the greatest care to be sure of the good will of the majority beforehand, lest you give an advantage to our enemies, as we have written to . . . . . .† We have explained in former letters the credence you are to deliver to them in our name; but we partly permit "ut pro personarum conditione eas tem . . . . . totam hanc caussam in vestra . . . . . ponimus [potestate]."

Lat., draft, mutilated. At the head is written in a modern hand: "To induce cardinall Pool to aff[ord help in the King's] great cause."

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6254. JOHN JOACHIM, SEIGNEUR DE VAUX, to [FRANCIS I.]

Le Grand, III. 408.

The king of England is very anxious that your Majesty would get the faculty of Paris to give its opinion in writing in favor of his Majesty's cause. You could not do him a greater pleasure, or bind him to you more effectually. We hear he is sending the said opinions, along with others, to the earl of Wiltshire to show to the Pope, so as to incline him to the King's will in good time; if, at least, your Majesty, conceiving the cause to be a just one, will take such expedients as shall seem good to you and your Council. For this reason he wishes justifications and final proofs sent by the Pope and Emperor. Moreover, the present earl of Wiltshire, as a person greatly in the King's confidence, interested though he be, and, some say, in order to obtain from the Pope what is desired, had a commission to make great expence, and promise assistance to his Holiness (?) (*come serebe sovenir' à*

† "ad D. . . . . ;" certainly not Bryan, as Pocock supposes, who reads the "D." as "F."

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S. S.) with a good sum of money. But this I hear from others, not from "S. P.," who thanks your Majesty much for your reception of the said Earl. I can learn no other cause for the Earl's mission, unless there be some promise for the restitution of the Queen's dower to the Emperor, with security for the Queen's good treatment.

Returning to the subject of the Pope, the King today told me the Emperor had pressed him to inhibit further proceedings in this divorce case; which the Pope refused to do, much to this King's satisfaction.* He added, that he had heard on good authority that there was little real friendship or confidence between the Pope and the Emperor; but that his Holiness, to please the latter, had, it was said, excommunicated king John of Hungary. This does not please the king of England; nor does any prosperity the Emperor may have. London, "CLV.† Marzo 1530."

Ital.

6 March. **6255.** Du Bellay to the Grand Master.

Le Grand, III. 428.

I know you are informed of all the news from Bologna, where, I think, things are going on favorably for France. But I think it would not be impolitic if De Tarbe would endeavor to pacify the Pope and the Florentines until we have what we demand, seeing it is quite certain that the Florentines can and will keep themselves until the forced departure of the Emperor. This I have shown wherever I had an opportunity, and it has not been found unreasonable, but I know not what resolution will be taken, or if any be taken already.

This evening arrived Master Bryant, with my brother the lieutenant of Mons. de la Roche du Maine, for the other has been obliged to stay awhile at Paris to satisfy the king of England. In any case I can assure you the jewel (*la bague*) is in my coffers, and all else that is necessary to us on our part, at all events according to the inventory, which I have not yet had leisure to look at. He will see Francis tomorrow, and they will make him such good cheer here that he will have no cause to complain, and then they will send him to you with his commission and his instructions.

I believe you will have received my letters, which I sent you from Gyem, and have understood the duty on which my brother is engaged. You will please to consider what he again writes to me of the "partie" of 20,000 livres, which he is to furnish. So far as I see, it depends entirely upon the General of Normandy; and if you will please to make him do what my brother desires, you will find that he did not mean to abuse the friendship you have shown to him and me by proposing anything which was not to take effect. I have spoken again of it to the Legate, who approves of my brother's discharge. He has arrived here in good health; nevertheless, he has been in danger, although there was little said about it, since our departure from Moulins, of making his benefices vacant. Madame has got another attack of gout, which I fear will be of some duration. Blaye, 6 March.

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7 March. **6256.** Clement VII.

Le Grand, III. 446.

Bull, notifying that on the appeal of queen Katharine from the judgment of the Legates, who had declared her contumacious for refusing their jurisdiction as being not impartial, the Pope had committed the cause, at her request, to Master Paul Capisucio, the Pope's chaplain, and auditor of the Apostolic palace, with power to cite the King and others; that the

* "El se (*qu.* el che?) S. S. ricuso fare, cosa che à S. M. e grandemente stata aretta (*qu.* accetta?)"

† So in Le Grand:—qu. "*el* v."?

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said Auditor, ascertaining that access was not safe, caused the said citation, with an inhibition under censures, and a penalty of 10,000 ducats, to be posted on the doors of the churches in Rome, at Bruges, Tournay, and Dunkirk, and the towns of the diocese of Terouenne (*Morinensis*). The Queen, however, having complained that the King had boasted, notwithstanding the inhibition and mandate against him, that he would proceed to a second marriage, the Pope issues this inhibition, to be fixed on the doors of the churches as before, under the penalty of the greater excommunication, and interdict to be laid upon the kingdom. Bologna, 7 March 1530, 7 Clement VII.

Lat. Headed: "Primum breve."

8 March. Le Grand, III. 433.

6257. DE LANGEY to the GRAND MASTER.

Bryant is here, awaiting his despatch to go to you with the jewel, the letter, and the obligation of indemnity, quittance of the same, and power to surrender everything to the Emperor's deputies (*quittance d'icelle, et pouvoir de toutes lesdites choses rendre ez mains des deputez de l'Empereur*). At Paris, whither I am sent back by Francis about the letters to be delivered to the Emperor, and the king of England's matter, I shall obtain authentic copies of the English quittances, already returned to the *Chambre des Comptes*, and send them to you. While there, I should be glad if you would see the General of Normandy's promise kept to me about the loan of 20,000 francs, as you wrote to my brother, to be paid in full on the 20 July. Bloys, 8 March.

Fr. Add.

8 March. Le Grand, III. 431.

6258. DU BELLAY to the GRAND MASTER.

Since my last letter my brother has arrived. As he has written to you of his journey, I need only tell you that he has shown me clearly that the words of the treaty of Cambray, on which a scruple might be founded touching the forfeiture assigned by the Emperor to the king of England, are such as my brother had written in the letters I sent you from Gien. Nevertheless, I do not see that they can create any difficulty. But I mention this, as I had formerly assured you that these words of the contract were not such as my brother sent you. This I was led to think, because the Legate had shown me in the treaty words otherwise set forth, but I had not seen another passage which was word for word the same as in my brother's letters. Bryant will leave in two days, in post, and bring to you his whole commission, with such powers that you cannot but be satisfied with his commission. You will see by what my brother writes that he is a man of his word, and that it will only be owing to the General of Normandy if he does not keep his promise, and on easier terms than he asked at first. I know the sum is not worth speaking about so often, but I don't wish you to suppose that he has failed in his promise to you. Blaye, 8 March.

Fr. Add.

9 March. Lamb's Cambridge Documents, p. 20.

6259. CAMBRIDGE.

The Vice-chancellor's speech to the Senate upon his bringing up the report of the Delegates, 9 March.

When desired by the King to give their opinion on a certain question between himself and the Queen, certain professors and bachelors of theology and masters were chosen to examine the question in the name of the university. They, the Vice-chancellor being one of them, after consultation, examination of the Bible, and public discussion, have come to the following

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unanimous decision: "Quod ducere uxorem fratris mortui sine liberis cognitam a priori viro per carnalem copulam, nobis Christianis hodie est prohibitum jure divino et naturali." In Congregation at Cambridge, 9 Mar. 1529.

Lat.

6260. WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Cecil MSS. Hatfield, CL. 7.

"Mine own good Mr. Secretary, these shall be not only to welcome you home, whose presence I have greatly missed here in the furtherance of my poor pursuits, but also most heartily to desire you, for the love that ye have and bear towards me as your old friend, to lay to your friendly and charitable hand, for the attaining of such things as my trusty friend, bearer hereof, shall open on my behalf unto you; in the doing whereof ye shall administer singular comfort to him that is in as great heaviness and anxiety of mind as any living man can be, as God knoweth, who increase and send you much honor. At the Loge, with the rude hand and heavy heart of him that is assuredly yours with heart and prayer, T. Cardinalis Ebor."

Add.: "To the right honorable and my singular good friend, Master Secretary."

6261. WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Add. MS. 25,114, f. 28. B. M.

"Mr. Stevyns, aftyr my moste herty commendacions, yt may lycke yow to understand that, insuyng the Kynges gracyous pleasure sygnyfyd unto me by your letters, I send unto hys hyghnes Mr. Doctor Marchal with my seale, and have gevyn unto hym full power by mowthe, beyng contentyd yf yt shalbe thowgth so nedfull that the same be commyttyd to wryttyng, and made in effectual manner ther, as wel to admyt the resygnacacions* of suche benyfycys as be undyr my jurydiccion of Yorke, as also to make owt the collacions of suche of them as be of my patronage; the same to be done ayther at Yorke Place or Batyrsey as shal stand with the Kynges hyhnes pleasure, trustyng in Gode, and the rather by your frendly and cherytable medyacyon, that sythyns in thys and all other thynges I have and do moste obedyently submyt and conforme my sylf to hys Grace's pleasure, yt wole now please hys Majeste to shewe hys pety, compassyon and bowntuose goodnes towardes me, without sufferyng me any leynger to lye langwyshyng and consumyng awey throwth thys myn extreme sorowe and hevynes. And suerly, Mr. Stevyns, yf hys Hyghnes knewe and wer informyd in what stat I am in, and howe I am intreattyd on every syd, yt ys nat to be dowttyd, his herte beyng so nobyll as yt ys, and callyng to remembrance myn age and longe contynuyd servys, but that hys Grace wole have pety on me, and shortly extende hys cherytable goodnes, wych that hys Hyghnes may schortly do I moste effectually beseche yow to ley to yowr lovyng, frendly, and helpyng hand, and in suche wyse to set forthe and further as well thys myn and other lamentable pursutes as the late poore deane of Wellys, that I may have and perceyve summe comforte effectualy to arryse and folowe of the same, to the myttygacion of my contynuall sorowe; and I shal dayly pray for the increase of your honor. Wryttyn at Asher, thys Twysday, with the rude hand of your dayly bedysman, T. Car^lis Ebor."

Hol. Add.: "To the ryght honorable Mr. Doctor Stevyns." *Endd.*

6262. WOLSEY to CROMWELL.

Cott. App. XLVIII. 17. B. M. St. P. I. 360.

In accordance with Cromwell's letter, has written to the Lord Chancellor (More) and Norfolk, and sends the letters to him to deliver, in which he says that he wishes the indenture signed and sealed by him yesterday to be enrolled. Trusts it will be so, as he has so wholly and obediently

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performed their devices, and also that he will have his pardon and restitution with the counterpayne of the indenture. Hopes the King will consider his obedience, submission, and [humi]lyte, and the rather at Norfolk's mediation. "And [whe]ras I wrot unto yow of the haly watter of the corte, I trowe ye [are too] depe of understandyng to thynke that I shuld meane [any] or suche thyng to come from yow. Yt shalbe gretly to my comfort to [learn] by the dedys that neyther I nor yow shalbe sprynkyllyd [with it], beyng very glad and desyrows to her and knowe by [the bearer whether I] shalbe more cherytably delt with than I have hytherto [been] . . . . leden a long tyme. I pray God delyver and bryng me [out of this] trobelos and waveryng stormy se to the porte of . . . . . thus withoute fayle, trusting to have you tomorrowe . . . . . 9th." Asher, Friday, 4 of the [clock].

Hol., p. 1, *mutilated. Add.*

6263. [WOLSEY] to CROMWELL.

Cott. App. XLVIII. 11. B. M. St. P. I. 350.

Few things since his tr[oubles] have more grieved him than Crumwell's not coming at this time, when he could do him most good in the advancement of his pursuits. Entreats him to come in the morning, and speak with him but one hour, and he shall depart the same night. Begs him not to leave him destitute of all comfort, for on his not coming "resteth the qualyng" of all his matters. Asks him to set forward his pursuits, and bring with him some comfort, especially from Mr. Secretary (Gardiner), who has promised to do him good. Understands that Mr. Treasurer, chancellor [of] the duchy, (Fitzwilliam,) intends to send Mr. Throgmorton for [taking] of possession in the late monastery of Daventry, as the King's grant is void, not being passed under the seal of the duchy. Mr. B[roke] and all other judges thought that the King's great seal was sufficient. Begs he will h[elp] the canons.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To myn entierly belovyd Thomas Crowmewell, in hast.

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6264. PRIORY OF SHENE.

Indenture tripartite between Roger Lupton, clk., executor of Hugh Denys, and Sir Giles Capell and Mary his wife, co-executrix of the same, of the one part, Agnes abbess of St. Saviour and SS. Mary and Bridget, of Syon, of the second, and John Joborne, prior of the Carthusian house of Jesu of Bethlehem, of Shene, of the third, touching lands in Middlesex, devised by Denys for the finding of two secular priests in the chapel of All Angels beside Braynford Brygg, at salaries of 9 marks a year each, and seven poor men, who are to have mansions at the chapel.

A book of 29 pages, written on vellum, in a contemporaneous binding, the boards as well as the leaves being indented at the top, and the first page illuminated.

10 March. Colbert MS. 468 V. p. 176.

6265. LANGEY to MONTMORENCY.

Bryant will bring you the jewel, with his master's power and quittance; and my brother, who has been ordered to accompany him, will have the obligation of the indemnity. The rest that I have brought, as it does not refer to the deliverance of the Princes, is to be left in the *Chambre des Comptes*. I have given a copy of the power, by order of the Council, to the Emperor's ambassadors, who will write to their master before giving an answer. They also wish to know whether any obligation was made for the money lent on the jewel, and, if so, they wish to get it, which is unnecessary,

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as the jewel, and quittance of the sum for which it was pledged, are returned to them. I am sure, however, that the king of England would not refuse to deliver it, and will ask that Vaulx may be written to about it. There shall be no default in paying the 20,000 francs, if I receive a promise to repay the sum by 15 Aug. by the general or receiver-general of Normandy, or the treasurer of Brittany. Blois, 10 May.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 2.

11 March. **6266**. CROKE to HENRY VIII.

Vit. B. XIII. 59 b. B. M.

Since he came to Italy, has sent four letters to the bishop of Worcester for the King,—three from Bologna, and one from Venice. Had previously sent the Greek of Basil without commentaries, and afterwards the same with commentaries. It is quite plain, from the commentaries of Zonaras, that this is the letter which Basil means, which they send in a notary's hand. Sends duplicates of Hebrew writings by Mark Raphael, who is paid a salary by the Venetian government, two writings by Helias, a Hebrew, doctor in arts and medicine, in which the former proves that Deuteronomy refers to the genealogy of the Saviour, and the latter to inheritance, and is only observed by the Hebrews under certain conditions. Has sent Latin translations of these by father Francis, and writings by him to the bishop of Worcester, who will send copies to Stokesley and the King. Those who have subscribed Helias' writings are Benedict, a German, of great weight among the Jews for his years and learning, and Calo, a doctor of arts and medicine, whose books will be sent to the King. Several doctors, lecturers, and preachers have subscribed to the opinions of Francis. Will send names by the next messengers. Hopes to obtain the writings of the King's chief opponent. Complains of want of money. Sent a fortnight ago new writings of Helias and Marc Raphael, translated into Latin by father Francis; of which one is to prove that the King's marriage is impious, and ought to be dissolved, and the other affirms that the Rabbis consider that Deuteronomy refers to inheritance. Sends some extracts made by father Francis from the Chaldaic commentaries that the Levitical prohibitions are part of the law of nature. The King will also receive letters from Thomas Omnibonus at Venice, with the names of doctors whose subscriptions Croke has seen, "et nobilis illius Mediolanensis Francisci Crucini utriusque juris doctoris . . . . . in scripturis atque Hebraica lingua, ut audio, doctissimi ad patrem [Francis]-cum literas, catalogumque doctorum quos ille rogatu Francisci Medio[lanensis] paravit non sine longe majoris muneri[s] spe modo . . . . . reque adesse pecunia posset qua oblatas operas . . . . . non defuerit audeo ego capitis periculo . . . . . theologos paucis illis exceptis quos metus Pontificis et Cæsaris magis contra te con . . . . . quam premium, jam, invictissime rex, si hæc in Italia tempestiv[e] . . . . . fuissent tentata, quos habuissemus adversum nos, immo qu[os] non habuissemus nobiscum bonos et doctos theologos, cum jam turba . . . . . metu Cæsaris et Pontificis rebus tot undique tam eruditi et pii theologi ad patrocinium nostræ causæ turmatim* et vel . . . . . ultro convolent." Many think the case is Croke's; and if they promise help so promptly for a private man, what would they do for the King? He would obtain no less favor from the Italians than the Emperor would have, and much more than the Pope. Owes all he has done to the aid of father Francis and his nephew, and of Dominico of Treviso. It has been the more difficult to get books because those who had mutilated them were afraid of the discovery of their fraud. Venice, 11 March.

Lat., pp. 2, *mutilated, draft.*

* "Sturnatim" in MS.

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11 March. **6267.** [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]
Vit. B. XIII. 60 b. B. M.
Wonders that he has received no answer to his frequent letters. Is in want of money, as the good Bishop is often in want himself. Is obliged to consult him, though so many miles away. Could obtain more than 100 subscriptions if the King would send him letters of exchange. The country does not suit him. Asks his correspondent to procure his recal. Knows he will be pleased with his letters to the King, so he does not send a copy. Desires to be commended to the Bishop. Knows that some are trying to lessen the Bishop's opinion of Croke through envy. Desires the increase of his diets, and credit at a bank here (*ut hic nobis mensa pateat*), as there are more books to be got here than at Rome. Venice, 11 March.
Lat., p. 1, *draft.*

12 March. **6268.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to MONTMORENCY.
Giordane, p. 76. Molini, p. 280.
Has received his reply by the messenger of De la Morette. Thanks him for his good offices with the French king, for whose offers Casale is grateful. Whether in England or elsewhere, will always be ready to serve him. Has done his best in England to procure that the "gran scudiere" of England shall be sent there (to France) as ambassador. Gioachino should be instructed to speak to Casale's agent there (in England) on the subject, and through him to propound the matter to the duke of Norfolk, who is Casale's good lord, the agent being a confidant of the Duke's. If Mons. lo Grande (Scudiere?) cannot come, they should endeavor to find another person of equal rank. Has certain important affairs in Lombardy, and desires Montmorency to write to Cagnino Gonzaga, directing him to favor Casale against his adversary there. The duke of Ferrara has been here four days. The Emperor is to depart on Thursday the 17th. The English ambassadors will be here tomorrow or the next day. Bologna, 12 March 1530.
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12 March. **6269.** DU BELLAY to the GRAND MASTER.
Le Grand, III. 435.
I believe you are informed of the new demands made by the Imperialists, that the obligation of the emperor Maximilian for the money advanced on the *fleur de lis* be delivered to them, or else the contract which was passed thereupon, not being satisfied with having the said *fleur de lys* unless they have the contract as well.* I have no doubt that if there be any one behind (*riere*) the king of England, he will be sent express by a courier who goes today, of which you will be informed as soon as possible. You will learn by the bearer that Bryant is on his road to you. He can make no great haste, as he has the care of the jewel. I assure you he left here with a good will, and my brother will endeavor not to lessen it. Blaye, 12 March.
Fr. Add.

12 March. **6270.** THE VENETIAN MERCHANTS.
R. O.
Licence to the merchants of Venice to export wool and tin for five years from 1 April next, notwithstanding the Acts of 3 and 4 Hen. VII. 12 March 21 Hen. VIII.
Copy, pp. 4.

13 March. **6271.** MONEY DUE FROM FRANCE.
R. O.
Received for one half year's pension due to your Grace, 47,368 cr.—Paid by your Grace's command to De Vaux, for so many crowns delivered by him to Master Secretary in Italy, 3,000 cr. Reward to the bringer of

* This is an exact translation of the passage as it stands in Le Grand.

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your Grace's pension, 250 cr. Balance to be delivered to your Grace, 44,118 cr.; which, at 4*s.* 8*d.* the crown, amounts to 10,294*l.* 4*s.*, but at 38*s.*, "as your Grace doth receive them," (which is 4*s.* 2*d.* sterling and 1*d.* Flemish,) amounts to 9,313*l.* 16*s.* Thus you gain 980*l.* 8*s.* stg.

Money received of Rob. Fowlar by the King's command at Windsor, 8 March 21 Hen.VIII.—10 bags, each containing 4,285½ cr. and 12*d.*= 10,300*l.*; and another containing 1,260½ cr. and 20*d.*=294*l.* 4*s.* Delivered to Mr. Peckam, cofferer, 13 March, 2,000*l.*

Pp. 2, *partly in Wyat's hand. Endd.*

13 March. **6272.** COCHLÆUS to ERASMUS.

Er. Ep. App. 348.

Finds his contest with Luther dangerous. Thanks him for correcting his address to More ("*titulum ad Morum*"). Corrects the spelling of his name. Harris, an Englishman, used to call him Wendelstinus, from the place of his birth. Dresden, 13 March 1529.

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15 March. **6273.** JOHN JOACHIM, SEIGNEUR DE VAUX, to FRANCIS I.

Le Grand, III. 410.

My last was dated London, "el Marzo*," 1530. The original of this was sent that day to your Majesty by the ordinary post. Nothing has since occurred requiring me to write at great length. This King has been certified of the Emperor's coronation at Bologna on the 24th ult., and was informed at the same time that he meant straightway to pass into Germany. He again presses his request to have the opinions of the faculty of Paris in favor of his cause. The cardinal of York is now near Richmond, and earnestly entreats your Majesty and Madame to help him in his need, remembering the services which he rendered to you at opportune times; adding, that if you and Madame help him, as he not only hopes but fully expects, by keeping your promise to him, in proportion to the greatness of his fall, this will be the greater demonstration of your bounty. London, 15 March 1530.

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16 March. **6274.** The KERRS and the SCOTS.

Wade's Hist. of Melrose, 63.

Indenture made at Ancrum, 16 March 1529, between Walter Ker, of Cessford, Andrew Ker, of Fairniehirst, Mark Ker, of Dolphinston, Geo. Ker, tutor, of Cessford, and Andrew Ker, of Primesideloch, for themselves and kin, on the one part; and Sir Walter Scot, of Branxhohm, Rob. Scot, of Allanhaugh, Rob. Scot, tutor of Howpaisly, John Scot, of Roberton, and Walter Scot, of Stirkshaws, for themselves and kin, on the other. All discords to be forgiven. Walter Scot, of Branxholm, "shall gang or cause gang, at the will of the party, to the four head pilgrimages in Scotland," and say a mass for the souls of Andrew Ker, of Cessford, and those of his company slain in the field of Melrose, and cause a chaplain to say mass for them daily "when he is disposed," wherever Walter Ker pleases, for five years. Mark Ker, of Dolphinton, and Andrew Ker, of Graden, "shall gang at the will of the party to the four head pilgrimages of Scotland, and shall gar say a mass" for the souls of James Scot, of Eskirk, and other Scots slain in the field of Melrose, and cause a chaplain to say mass daily "when he is disposed," wherever Walter Scot pleases, for three years. The said Walter Scot, of Branxholme, "shall marry his son and heir upon one of the said Walter Ker his sisters," paying a competent portion to the said Walter and his heir. Both parties bound to abide the decree of the six men chosen arbiters in all disputes. *Signed by the Kers.*

"N.B.—The four pilgrimages are Scoon, Dundee, Paislaw and Melross."

* So in Le Grand.

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17 March. P. S. **6275.** For the SUB-PRIOR and MONASTERY OF ST. BENET, HULME, Norwich dioc.

Congé d'élire upon the resignation of John Saltcot (Capon), S.T.P., abbot. Windsor Castle, 15 March 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 March.
Pat. 21 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19.

2. Petition for the above. 2 March 1529.

18 March. P. S. **6276.** For the BENEDICTINE MONASTERY OF ST. PETER, HIDE, Winc. dioc.

Assent to the election of John Saltcott, S.T.P., as abbot, *vice* Richard Romsey, deceased. Windsor Castle, 15 March 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 18 March.
Pat. 21 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19.

2. Petition for the above. 18 Feb. 21 Hen.VIII.

18 March. P. S. **6277.** For THOS. BRADWALL.

Assent to his election as prior of the Augustinian monastery of Trentham, Cov. and Lich. dioc., *vice* Robert Strynger, deceased. Windsor Castle, 16 March 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 18 March.
Pat. 21 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

2. Petition for the above, presented by Thos. Cagarde, canon. 26 February 1529.

20 March. R. O. **6278.** DUCHY OF CORNWALL.

Memorandum of the receipt by Sir Brian Tuke, as treasurer of the Chamber, of sums amounting to 2,762*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.*, at various times between 18 Feb. and 20 March 21 Hen.VIII., due to the King from the issues of the duchy of Cornwall. *Signed.*

21 March. R.T. 145. Pt. 5. No. 23. R. O. **6279.** KATHARINE OF ARRAGON.

Bull of Clement VII., dated 21 March 1530, forbidding all ecclesiastical judges, doctors, notaries, advocates, &c. to speak or write against the validity of the marriage between the king and queen of England under pain of excommunication.
Fr. From a catalogue of papers at Brussels, which are now lost.

21 March. Vit.B.XIII.61. B. M. **6280.** [CROKE to ———.]

Received today at noon his letters, stating that he had not received the epistle which Croke mentions. Packed up separately all that went to "you," though open, to be looked at by the bishop of Worcester, who has helped him with money, though not so plenteously as the business requires. The Bishop has been destitute himself through the infidelity of merchants, and for other causes, so that we stand at a stay with the great multitude of whom we were assured in Milan and other places, and are like to lose many by the solicitation of Campegius, who procures for the Queen against the King all the friends he can. Will never meddle in such a matter again, without a letter of bank for a sum sufficient to defray the expences. Sends by this bearer many more annotations with the said epistle. Some things therein are more pertinent than they appear. The copy is signed by a notary, got by the help of father Francis and his nephew, Dominico of Treviso, who

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is of the greatest house in Venice, and very learned in Greek and Latin. Trusts by his help to get a sight of "th'olde boke off Venice." Has seen letters written hither for old books, whatever they cost, by a doctor, who is one of the Emperor's council against the King. There is in the hands of the Greeks a book of the Councils in Greek, "a[nd] other things, which I might once [have] o[btained for] 40 crowns, after for * * * we have it or no, our enemies shall not have it, albeit they would give 2,000 crowns." Aleander has another. On Friday last he came to father Francis, partly entreating, partly threatening him, to win him from the King, but in vain. This shows that but little can be hoped for from the library at Rome, of which he is keeper. Thinks that the search must be made here. 21 March, Venice.

Does not send the epistle with annotations, because he doubts the messengers, but sends the epistle alone, from a different copy from that sent to the King.

The Bishop is wonderfully deceived. He told Croke to take up 100 crs., and the merchant promised to pay it, but now answers that he will pay no more. Is in great need, and has not enough either to tarry or depart. The merchant says that he has often had secret orders from the Bishop's brother to give Croke money little by little; which is the cause of the stoppage of many enterprises.

Pp. 2, *mutilated, draft.*

ii. Transcript of a letter of Diodorus, of Tarsus, disapproving of a man marrying two sisters; with a memorandum in Latin by Croke at the end, that it is copied from an ancient Greek book, obtained from the Venetian senate by the intervention of father Francis George, and that John Baptist de Casalis has so managed the King's business that the notary refused to make an instrument thereof. Fe[bru]arii 13, 1530. *Signed.*

Greek, pp. 2. *Endd.:* "Letters from the by[shop] of Wurceter and . . . . . Croke."

21 [March.] **6281.** [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Vit.B. XIII. 64. B. M.

Thanks him for his dispensation. Has complained to the King about his want of money. More than seven weeks passed between the first and second time that Ghinucci sent money, so that he has been obliged to borrow 60 gold pieces, of which he had spent the whole before Ghinucci's brother sent him more money. Has also paid at his brother's orders 80 cr. to father Francis and other doctors, in the King's business. The merchant would only give him 30, saying that Ghinucci had told him not to pay Croke more than 25 a week. Does not know whether he will pay any more without fresh orders. Ghinucci desires him and Francis to send some fit person to whom payments can be made, but being here unknown Croke does not dare trust any one. The merchant makes him come to and fro every day, to no purpose, and to the great injury of the King's affairs. Francis is not strong enough to go on foot, and could not ride at our expence. Seems about to lose all the hopes he had, for want of money. A great man who owes much to the King is soliciting several theologians against the King. Assures him that the King will repay what money he advances to Croke. If the King will not trust him with more money than his diets, he is not fit for such business in Italy, "maxime ubi t . . . . . nobis moras molestiasque vigerent quottidie Pontificis Cæsaris[que] . . . . . metus, quod si paulo tempestivius ista longe alia fuisset r . . . . . conditio, nec dubitassem ante omnes Italiæ theolog[os] . . . . . conciliasse cum tot idque ex optimis sic turba . . . . . sincere operam suam polliceantur, quod de . . . . . admonuerat dominatio" * * * Finds few like Francis, whether

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[CROKE to GHINUCCI]—*cont.*

for diligence, learning, or nobility. Has been for six days without six ducats, and unless Ghinucci sends fresh orders to the merchants Croke cannot secure the theologians at Milan and elsewhere, and will be obliged to leave this place without a single ducat. Venice, 21st, on which day at noon he received Ghinucci's letter.

Lat., pp. 2, mutilated, draft.

22 March. **6282.** [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Vit. B. XIII. 64 b. B. M.

If we had seen the dispensations of Emanuel and Ferdinand, we should the better understand the arguments urged to their prejudice.

Father Francis has sent twice to Milan. Writes sincerely, and begs him not to be offended at anything he says. Will speak of him with the greatest honor to the other ambassadors and to the King, but there is nothing in his letters from which Croke can expect much good.

John de la Fossa replied tonight that he would give Croke no more money, and had received orders to that effect from Ghinucci's brother.

Complains of this, and asks how he has offended him. Has always written well of him to the King. 22 March.

Lat., pp. 2, mutilated, draft.

22 March. **6283.** ERASMUS to PACE.

Er. Ep. 1097.

Was delighted at the sight of Pace's well-known hand, and at hearing that he was safe and restored to his old dignity, after such great calamities. The news was more agreeable to Erasmus than a remittance of 600 angelots. Perceives the Deity is not asleep who rescues the innocent and casts down the proud (*feroces*).* Is consoled by Pace for his own persecution at the hands of false preachers. Wishes he could converse with Pace again before he dies. Pace need not trouble himself about the letter sent to Erasmus; there was little in it but compliments. My Quirinus says it is among the printed letters. Sends all good wishes to Robert Feld, merely because he is dear to Pace. Although More deserves his high dignity, does not congratulate him so much as England and the King. There is no man in England of greater genius or of purer morals. Friburg, 22 March 1530.

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23 March. **6284.** CLEMENT VII. to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 382. B. M.

This morning Jerome bishop of Vaison left on his way as nuncio to the Emperor.

After his departure the ambassadors of the king of England had an audience of the Pope, who sends an account of it to the bearer, Nicholaus de Aragona, auditor of the palace, to be communicated to the Emperor. Desires credence for him. Requests the Emperor to consult about it, and decide what answer he wishes given to the English ambassadors, for they are pressing his Holiness, and wait here only for his declaration. Bologna, 23 March 1530, pont. 7.

Lat., pp. 2. Add. Modern copy.

25 March. **6285.** THE DIVORCE.

R. T. 145. Pt. 5. No. 24. R. O.

While the Pope and Emperor were at Bologna to settle their affairs after the peace of Cambray, Henry sent ambassadors thither to watch over his interests. In an interview with the Emperor they refused to submit the cause of the divorce to the Pope, saying that the case was so clear, and,

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according to Holy Scripture, not one in which a dispensation could be granted. The question was, the Pope's authority, and whether he could dispense in that. They proposed to submit the case to an assembly of prelates and doctors, on condition that if it was favorable to the King, the Emperor would promise to conform to it; but they would not make a like promise for Henry. A brief was sent to him, at the instance of the Queen's proxy, forbidding a second marriage before the Pope had given a sentence. This should be executed at Calais. The Emperor informs his minister in England of this by a despatch, dated Modena, 23 March 1530, the day after his departure from Bologna. A paragraph, dated Mantua, 25 March, is added, stating that the Emperor has just received a letter from the Pope, saying that the English ambassadors, after complaining of insults, required the citation to be annulled, or that it should be delayed till September. The Emperor did not object to this delay, but was resolved to execute the brief.

Fr., pp. 3. *From a catalogue of papers formerly in the archives of Brussels.*

25 March. **6286.** The Bishopric of Durham.

P.S. Rym.xiv.387. Restitution of the temporalities on the translation of Cuthbert late bishop of London to the said bishopric. Windsor Castle, 22 March 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 March.

Pat. 21 *Hen.VIII. p.*2, *m.*22.

26 March. **6287.** [Croke to Ghinucci.]

Vit.B.xiii.65. B. M. Since writing last, has often been to John de la Fossa for the remaining 70 [crowns], which he refused to pay in consequence of orders from Ghinucci's brother that he should pay the remainder to the Prothonotary. Summoned him to law about it, but he repeated what Croke has already written. Was very anxious at this, as the estimation in which he was held seemed likely to be in danger, and also because he would be suspected of neglect in the King's business, and left to perish of hunger. Succeeded in borrowing of a merchant, to whom he owes no small sum. "Quæ omnia ita [me mæstum] reddiderant ut dolori meo temperare non potuerim ve . . . . . credere fuisse aliquem in Joanne de la Fossa dol . . . . . mihi septuaginta ex judicio coactus rogaret ne . . . . . facerem quod mihi coram testibus dixit . . . . . literis et præsent . . . * * * dixerat verum, eoque scribebam paulo acerbius." Apologizes for it, but he was afraid that he had lost Ghinucci's friendship by no fault of his own.

Spent 30 cr. at Milan, that Crucinus might gain his friends; of which he borrowed 22 from Dominico, nephew of Francis. We have most of the names which he promised, and we expect to get from friar Thomaso the writings of a formidable enemy. Will give a few gold pieces to Hebrews who have promised to write in proof of the following points: That the law in Deuteronomy relates only to inheritance, and to the case of Salphaad in the last of Numbers; that the marriage of Thamar with the sons of Judah was not consummated; that the Levitical law is of the law of nature, and always in force, being imposed on all, though Deuteronomy was imposed solely on the Jews; that Deuteronomy does not hold good where a Levitical prohibition opposes it, or except in the circumstances mentioned.

Has spent more than Ghinucci would believe on scribes, librarians, and friars, but not more than necessary. Asks him to obtain his recal, as he cannot be of much service to the King, either here or at Rome. Venice, 26 March.

Lat., pp. 2, *mutilated, draft.*

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6288. [CROKE to ———.]

Vit. B.XIII. 66. B. M.

Hears from Dr. Adam and another that Campegius has solicited and stayed from the King divers of the Grey Friars, whom Croke told the bishop of Worcester that he would have. Their minister had taken 10 cr. from father Francis, promising him the subscriptions of all his friars to the number of 20. After keeping the money three weeks he returned it, saying that he could not perform his promise.

However, we still have some of the doctors of his house, and shall have more. Besides those of Milan, of whom we doubt nothing, we have 10 or 12 doctors of great authority. Hopes to obtain the writings and counsel of one of the King's greatest adversaries, who has solved all our reasons. Asks him to send the copy of the books of the adversaries. These Italians are marvellously crafty with the King, and seem to do much, but really raise all the obstacles they can. Dares not write all he knows. If matters are to go forward, it will be well to trust them in nothing. Asks him to trust no Englishman with this letter. The bearer is a converted Jew, with a stipend of 200 ducats from Venice. He cannot speak Latin, but is learned in the old law and Hebrew. Will bring the writings, or send them by the Bishop's servant.

Draft, p. 1.

26 March. **6289.** For NICHOLAS HALL, M.A.

P. S. Rym. XIV. 387.

Presentation to the parish church of St. Mary, Pytham, in co. Guisnes, marches of Calais, Canterbury dioc., *vice* Geo. Cokeson, resigned. Windsor Castle, 20 March 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 26 March.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 34.

27 March. **6290.** The BISHOP OF TARBES to [FRANCIS I.]

Le Grand, III. 394.

I wrote to you lately about the duke of Ferrara and the Pope. Although the Duke when he came was determined not to place in deposit the three towns, he has been persuaded by the Emperor to place Modena; the Pope and he committing to him the judgment of their differences. [Here follows a good deal more upon the same subject.]

I have done great honor to my lord of Rocheford, the English ambassador. I went to meet him, and have visited him often in his lodgings; entertained him, and offered him my services, telling him I was commissioned by you to do so. Nevertheless I have warned him of the Emperor's intention about the marriage, according to the conversation he had with the Pope, which he has found to be true; and two or three times since the departure of the Emperor, I have told the Pope he would do well to speak with Rocheford apart, and tell him the urgency with which I had pressed him, on your account, to satisfy the king of England, telling him I did not ask him to join you two in order to separate himself from the Emperor, but it would not be reasonable that he should be so fast joined to the other as to give occasion for distrust to you, and that it would be quite right that every one, even the Emperor, should know that he had a reasonable regard for you and the king of England. I begged him that he would give Rocheford satisfaction on this point, and show him that your favor had been of service to him. This he thought reasonable, and has promised me to acquaint himself therein, in such fashion that I may make a good report of it to you, and that Rocheford will have great occasion to thank you. I have no doubt they may get from them all the provisions they like, provided they be not decisive of the matter, nor remit it again into England; and, as he has told me more than three times in secret, he would be glad if the marriage was already made, either by a dispensation of the English legate or otherwise, provided

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it was not by his authority, or in diminution of his power as to dispensation, and limitation of divine law. Rocheford is to leave on Saturday or Sunday next, with the Emperor's answer to do nothing except what shall be acknowledged by justice. The Emperor went very far with Rocheford, saying that he was not to be believed in this case, as he was a party, and several other things. To which Rocheford replied, that what he did was not as a father but as a subject and servant of his master; and that it was enough for his master to have intimated the remorse and scruple of conscience he had that he had so long lived in sin, and how glad he would have been if the Emperor had taken it well; nevertheless his displeasure would not hinder the execution of his intention. And I understand from Rocheford himself that his coming hither will create a stronger affection towards you, in himself and his master. He told me yesterday, he was sure, if his daughter came to be Queen, she would be all her life your very humble servant, well knowing that all their weal depends upon you only.

I know, from what the Pope told me, that the Emperor was not satisfied in the end. It is true that is a matter between themselves; therefore, please let it be kept secret. The evening before Charles' departure, he begged the Pope that he would give him two cardinal's hats besides those he had obtained, saying that he was bound to many great personages, whom he could not satisfy with so small a number of hats. The Pope told him he had done what he could to please him, and that nevertheless he had had the consent of the Cardinals as to the number, obtained as it were by force, and that really he had been obliged by the Emperor's own men, when he was a prisoner, to make cardinals of some who were a disgrace to the College. The Emperor replied that he was aware of the insufficiency of those persons, and was very sorry for it, assuring him that it had not been done with his consent. The Pope did not answer, but says he knew very well the contrary, as he had seen it set forth in the instructions of the Cordelier Cardinal, signed by the Emperor. The Emperor still insisted, and although the Pope told him that since being made Pope he had made no cardinal till now except by constraint, he made no concession. At last he almost reproached him with what he had done for him, saying besides that before he left Trent he would do for him a thing that would deserve six hats. The Pope told him that if he had repulsed the Turk, put Hungary again to rights, and reduced all the Lutherans, he would deserve to have the two hats. At last the conversation broke off, and the Pope says he thinks he will remain satisfied. Next day I conducted them both from their chambers to the lower story, where they took leave of one another, and all the conversation I could hear between them while marching at their heels was that the one wished to lead, and the other refused it. They have both shown the best possible countenance to convey the impression of great friendship.

The chancellor of Spain is more enraged than ever. He has remained ill of the gout in this town, and people say still more tormented with spite. He has not been able to obtain from the Emperor more than a pension of 2,000 ducats upon the archbishopric of Montreal, which the Emperor has given to cardinal Colonna. He has divided that archbishopric and the bishoprics of Segovia and Salamanca among fifteen or twenty, of whom six or seven are cardinals, the largest portion being only 800 or 1,000 crowns. He is determined to leave Antony de Leva as his ambassador with the Pope, notwithstanding that the new Cardinal Confessor remains there, as he has authority in Italy. When you send any one here, you should remember that this place is of great importance. I informed you lately how the Emperor had desired to withdraw the duke of Urbino, but when he came to press him the Duke refused to take his oath, except by command of the Venetians; and moreover told him that when his time expired he would not take part unless he gave him warning, and that if things could be made equal between

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The Bishop of Tarbes to [Francis I.]—*cont.*

them he would serve him and take oath. The Emperor told him that when that time arrives he would take oath to him, and restore the duchy which he claims in Naples.

The count de Gayasse has been long here, and the Emperor at length told him that he might retire, as he would not make use of him at present. The duke of Milan has gone, with his fever. Several of his men have told me that he cannot live, and that they desire nothing else than to have you. Not feeling sure of their deeds I have given them words, saying you would not interfere in anything; but they pressed me, at last, hoping that you would at least one day let Signor Maximilian escape from France, and there would be no difficulty then in putting him in possession. All Italy seems anxious that Milan should remain in your hands.

The Emperor complained the other day that you had given some land to the prince of Melphi, which, by the treaty, you ought not to have given to any Neapolitan. I have, therefore, intimated to the sieur Raince that it was not for your service that in going to France he should take (*que menast*) any "fortissus,"* as it might hinder the deliverance of the children. The Pope will leave on Monday next for Rome. Campeggio is going with the Pope as legate. He shows great desire to do you service, and would be a good means of intimating to the Emperor anything you would not wish should appear to come from you. Bologna, 27 March.

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27 March. **6291.** Clement VII. to Cardinal S. Sixtus.

Theiner, p. 590.

Commends his assiduity in the matter of the King's divorce. Bologna, 27 March 1530.

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28 March. **6292.** Henry VIII. to Clement VII.

Add. MS. 15,387, f. 221. B. M. St. P. VII. 231.

It is now six months since we recommended [Ghinucci] bishop of Worcester for the cardinal's hat. When this was urged by our ambassadors your Holiness promised that at the next creation of cardinals you would comply with our wishes. We repeat our earnest request, that you may not think our esteem for the said Bishop has been in any degree diminished. Windsor, 28 March 1530.

Lat., modern copy.

28 March. **6293.** Bishop of Tarbes to Montmorency.

Le Grand, III. 454.

According to your instructions I have done my best to entertain my lord of Rocheford. His stay here has not been long, but it might have been shorter if he had chosen. He takes with him the conclusion that the Emperor intends the affair to be determined by justice; that if the marriage with his aunt be found to be null, he will not maintain it, but if it is pronounced valid, he will. Rocheford, when he attempted to reply, was told to leave that to others, as he was a party;—and, to say the truth, he was greatly astonished. At his instance the Pope has suspended the matter for a month and a half, during which term the king of England shall send a commission to proceed in the cause. The Pope says he will prolong the terms still further, provided the King promises not to proceed *de facto*. When I conversed with Rocheford, disclaiming his great gratitude on account of the command given me by Francis to promote the cause of the king of England, he said there was more need now than ever that the two Princes should continue good friends and brothers. At last, going from one thing to

* Meaning "*fuorusciti*," or banished men?

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another, he said the English would act for three or four months like those who look at dancers, and take courage according as they see them dancing ill or well. And as they should see Francis do, so would the King his master do. You will understand what these words imply, and manage matters for the king of England according to their own plan. For since he, a father, approves of his master dissembling, it must have been by this conclusion, made before his departure, that he has since received instructions (?) (*il faut que ce soit par cette conclusion fait avant son partement que l'on luy ait depuis fait entendre*). And it would be well that you should ask aid, for reasons you understand better than I do. These are matters I would willingly leave alone, but they are so important that I must warn you of them.

The bishop of Worcester, auditor of the Chamber, told me, the day before Rocheford's departure, that for the desire he had to serve Francis he would let me know that Francis had promised some benefices to Rocheford, which he advised should be given to him on his return to France, or that, without his speaking about it, Francis should give him a hope of satisfying him shortly. The Bishop said he had great influence in the government, and that he would act sooner for interest than for any other motive.

I presume the children will be in France, and I beg you to remember I am here awaiting my recal. Bologna, 28 March.

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28 March. **6294.** CARDINAL WOLSEY.

R. O. Draft of a Privy Seal, intended to be addressed to the abbot of Peterborough, to show hospitality to cardinal Wolsey, now on his journey to his province of York, as he cannot be so speedily furnished before the feast of Easter next, but will have to pause on the road.

Draft, corrected by Wolsey, pp. 2.

R. O. 2. Another draft of the same, with corrections in Cromwell's hand.

R. O. 3. A clean copy of the same, in Tuke's hand.

R. O. 4. Another to the Earls.

R. O. 5. To the dean of York.

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28 March. **6295.** HENRY VIII. to DACRE.

Cal.B.VII.156. B.M. Ellis, 3 Ser. II. 172. Desires him to treat Wolsey, who is going to his province of York, as appertains to his dignity, and to assist him in everything concerning the administration of his cure, and the furtherance of his own reasonable causes. Windsor, 28 March. *Signed by stamp.*

Add. Endd.: Letters signed with the King's owen hand or stampe.

28 March. **6296.** For the MONASTERY OF ST. MARY, MERTON, Winc. dioc.

P. S. Restitution of temporalities upon the election of John Ramsey, B.D., as prior, *vice* John Lacye. Windsor Castle, 20 March 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 March.

Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 15.

P. S. ii. Petition for the above. 8 Feb. 1529.

28 March. **6297.** ERASMUS to LORD MOUNTJOY.

Er.Ep.p.1176. The loss of Hungary. The Emperor appears to delay too long in Italy; the people wonder what sort of peace exists between him and the French king, whose sons are still detained in Spain. Congratulates England on More's advancement. Friburg, 28 March 1529.

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29 March. **6298.** CARDINAL WOLSEY.

Tit. B. I. 61. B. M. Fiddes' Coll. p. 210.

Sign manual to Wolsey, enclosing a commission for his signature, touching the gifts of benefices in the diocese of Winchester, sent by Dr. Incent, Wolsey's vicar-general. The More, 29 March.

P. 1. *Add.:* "To the most reverend father, our right trusty and right well beloved the lord cardinal archbishop of York and primate of England."

[29 March.] **6299.** WILL. CLAIBURGH to WOLSEY.

R. O.

On my arrival at London I despatched your letters to my lord of Welbek, and with them one of my own, containing the matters you wished me to write to him. I trust on receiving them he will repair to you himself, according to his duty. I have also delivered your letters to Mr. Magnus, and told him what need you have of a house near Suthwell for a season, your manor not being ready, suggesting that he should give up Sibthorp. He now writes to you in answer by the bearer his servant. I have also given your message to Mr. Secretary (Gardiner), who is sorry to hear what unreadiness your manors are in, and what charges you sustain at Peterborough. I have told him what poverty you are in, and urged him to be a means to the King for help when Cromwell or others repaired to him; which he promised to the utmost of his power. Windsor, Easter Monday.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* To my lord Cardinal.

29 March. **6300.** [CROKE to ———.]

Vit. B. XIII. 66 b. B. M.

The King's business requires me to see you as soon as possible, and consult with you about matters which cannot be trusted to letters. Has noted in the Nomocanon, the canons of Basil, and the letters of Athanasius and Theophilus, much more than his correspondent has. Sends them with the letter, which he has already twice sent. Will send by the next messenger what he has collected from the Rhapsody of Commentaries on the Pentateuch, or he will bring them himself, if his correspondent prefers it. The bearer is M. Rhaphael, very learned in Hebrew. He will bring back letters for Croke. If you had not written that you intended to write again in eight days, and if the Bishop had not written that he thought you would follow the Emperor, I should have been with you already. Has heard nothing of the departure of the Pope.

Is told he will not be supplied with money after Easter. Has no money. Is much indebted to friar Francis for aid in the King's cause. 29 March.

Lat., draft, p. 1, *Hol.*

6301. GRANTS in MARCH 1530.

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GRANTS.

1. Thos. Hamerton. Custody of the manor of Batersby, called Baterysby hall, York, 4 messuages, 200 acres of land, 200 of meadow, 200 of pasture, 10 of wood, and 500 of moor and turbary in Baterysby. By an inquisition taken 3 Oct. last past, it was found that Ric. Batersby, who held the premises of Stephen Hamerton, was seized of the same, and that Nic. s. and h. of the said Ric., being outlawed for felonies committed during the lifetime of his father, the custody of the premises for one year and one day, and the waste thereof, has by law accrued to the King. Windsor, 28 Feb. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 Mar. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

2. Ric. Basford. To be receiver-general of the earldom of Guissnes, in the marches of Calais, with 18*d.* a day, English money, as enjoyed by John Bate, Gilbert Husey, or Martin de Joyce. York Place, 21 Feb. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsey, 2 Mar.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 34.

3. Robt. Collyngwod. To be keeper of the castle and manor of Wark-upon-Tweed, Northumb., with the rents called "Castell wardes;" with reservations. Richmond, 25 Feb. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 Mar. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 34.——*Vacated on surrender, . . Dec.* 30 *Hen.VIII.*

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3. John Spynke, late of Filstowe, Suff., pardoner. Pardon for having on the 27 Nov. 16 Hen. VIII. and 10 Mar. 17 Hen. VIII. broken into the parish church of Snape, Suff., and having stolen therefrom certain property which was in the custody of Wm. Blynde, churchwarden. York Place, 22 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 Mar.—P. S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 26.

8. John Bugby. Custody of certain lands in the lordship of Heth, in Oldcotes, in Glapwell, Derb., and in Morton, Linc., of the annual value of 100*s.* in all; with wardship of Jas. s. and h. of John Hardwyk, deceased. York Place, 20 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 8 Mar.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 34.

10. *County of the city of Coventry.* Wm. Dawson, mayor, Thos. Arderne, Thos. Spencer, and Geo. Mathewe. Commission to make inquisition p. m. on lands and heir of Sir Wm. Compton. Westm., 10 March.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19*d.*

10. Geo. earl of Shrewsbury. Wardship of Margaret, Alice, and Agnes, ds. and hs. of Sir Ric. Bosom. Windsor, 5 Mar. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 Mar.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

10. Barnard Farman, of St. Katharine, near the Tower of London, vintner. Pardon for having, in the parish of St. Mary Wolnar, in the ward of Langborn, London, clipped certain coins of the realm. Windsor, 8 Mar. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 Mar.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 19.

12. Jas. Wytteney, one of the sewers of the Chamber. To be receiver-general of the lordships of Uske, Kererlion, and Tryllok, parcel of the earldom of March, S. Wales; constable of the lordship of Tregruke; beadle and coroner (*bedellar' et coronatus*) of Edlegon; and receiver of the lordships of Newport, Wenloge, and Maghen, in the marches of S. Wales, *vice* Thos. ap Robert, deceased. Windsor, 28 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Mar.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 19.

12. Sir Edw. Nevell. Annuity of 20*l.* out of the issues of the manors of Clifton, Magna Barowe, and Parva Barowe, Shypbroke, and other possessions which descended to the King by the death of Sir John Savage; during the minority of John s. and h. of the said Sir John. Also wardship of the said John. Windsor, 8 Mar. 21 Hen. VIII.—*Del.* Westm., 12 Mar.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 19.

16. Sir John More, Sir Ant. Fitzherbert, and Thos. Inglefeld. Commission to examine, in presence of the mayor and aldermen of London, at the church of St. Martin le Grand, London, the record, process, and judgment of a suit for debt between lady Elizabeth Yerford, widow, of London, and Nic. Calcott of London, mercer, wherein, in the judgment given by the said mayor and aldermen, the said Nic. complains that an error has occurred to his prejudice. Westm., 16 March.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 18*d.*

16. John Wheler. Lease of the site of the manor of Fakenapletre, and lands pertaining thereto, in the lordship of Wiche, parcel of the lands of the earl of Warwick, Worc., with reservations; for 99 years, at the annual rent of 4*l.* 10*s.*, and 3*s.* 4*d.* of increase; on surrender of patent 12 May 17 Hen. VIII., granting the premises for 21 years to John Pakyngton. Hampton Court, 24 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 Mar.—P. S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 20.

16. Thos. marquis of Dorset and Sir Francis Bryan. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of keeper, warden, &c. of Sawsey forest, Northt., with the fees enjoyed either by Sir Reginald Bray or Ric. Wydevyle, earl of Ryevars, father of Ric. late earl of Rievars; also power to make a coppice of 20 acres of underwood, and to sell the underwood yearly; on surrender of patent 20 Aug. 1 Hen. VIII., granting the same office to the said Marquis during pleasure. Windsor Castle, 7 Mar. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 Mar.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 19.

20. Thos. Alvarde, gentleman usher of the Chamber. To be keeper of the place or messuage called York Place, in Westminster, Middx., with 6*d.* a day. York Place, 16 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 Mar.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 18.

21. Edward Tynedale, of Tewkysbury, Glouc. Lease of the manor of Hurst, Glouc., with all demesne lands thereto belonging, parcel of "Barkeleyslonds;" with reservations, for 21 years, at the annual rent of 10*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*, and 3*s.* 4*d.* of increase; on surrender of patent 20 Nov. 8 Hen. VIII., granting him a similar lease. *Del.* Westm., 21 Mar. 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 18.

22. Henry Norres. Grant, in tail male, of the manors of Thowreswaye, Baymont, Bayons, and Tevelby, Linc., with the advowson of Thowreswaye church; also of the manors of Barton on Hombre, Stewton, and Wynterton, Linc.; on surrender by Norris of patent 8 Nov. 12 Hen. VIII., so far as concerns the said manors, because invalid. York Place, 21 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* . . . . . 22 Mar. (?)—P.S.

25. Nich. Batersby, of Newton, York. Pardon for the murder of Ralph Parker. Windsor Castle, 17 Mar. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Mar.—P.S.

25. Hen. Smythe, painter, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clifforde, deputy of Berwick-on-Tweed. Hampton Court, 26 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Mar.—P.S.

26. Robt. Kyrke, yeoman of the Chamber, and Humph. Ferrar. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of clerk of the market of the King's household; with power to enquire concerning false weights and measures in England; with fees of 20*l.* a year, out of the fines levied by them in that office. Windsor Castle, 14 Mar. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 26 Mar.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 33.

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28. Wm. Edwards, serjeant of the pantry. Lease of the little park called Illyn, in the lordship of Chirk, marches of Wales, for 85 years, at the annual rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* Windsor Castle, 19 Mar. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 28 Mar.—P.S.

29. Hugh ap Lowes, *alias* Lewes, coverlet maker, of Karnarvon, N. Wales. Pardon for the murder of Robt. ap Gryffitz, of Thlanvada, co. Carnarvon. Windsor Castle, 22 Mar. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 29 Mar.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 34.

31. Ric. Strangwes, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Gyslaham, Norw. dioc., *vice* John Clayde, resigned. La More, 28 Mar. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 31 Mar. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 34.

31. Sir Robt. Constable. Exemption from serving on juries, being made justice of the peace, sheriff, or bailiff, &c. Windsor Castle, 25 Mar. 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 31 Mar. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 33.

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6302. LAURENCE BONWYS to WOLSEY.

When last with you at Yorkes Place, you told me that the piece of cloth of gold you had from Dominico Lomelyn was uncut, and you wished him to take it back again, but that the cloth of gold I provided for you was cut, and I should be paid for it. These were sent to you for the matter of the wools, which might have been sped days ago, if you had pleased. Now the King will none of it, and the matter has cost me and Dominico 1,000*l.*, and, on my part, 400*l.*, beside the cloth of gold, which is worth 108*l.*, being 19 yds. at 5*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* I shall be content if you will pay me 100*l.* for it; "and, because every man is mortal, I beseech your Grace that it will please you to make an especialty thereof, payable at such time as your Grace shall seem convenient, to content me in one payment or mo." I would have visited you, but have been ill with the gout for three months. Send, therefore, Mr. Robt. Cressy, to whom I beseech you to make and deliver the said bond. It will be a great charity, as I am old and in debt. London, 1 April 1530. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the most reverent father in God, &c., my lord Cardinal, legate also de latere, and archbishop of York.

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6303. THE DIVORCE.

Three letters of Henry VIII. to the university of Oxford, desiring their opinion touching his divorce.

In the first, he commands them, setting aside all untrue and sinister information, to apply themselves to the mere truth, giving credence to the bishop of Lincoln.

In the second, he complains that a great part of the youth of the university, not regarding their duty to their Sovereign, wilfully stick upon their opinion, to have a great number of regents and non-regents associated with the doctors and others, for the determination of this question. "If the youth of the university will play masteries, as they begin to do, we doubt not that they shall well perceive that *non est bonum irritare crabrones.*"

In the third, he complains of their delay, comparing their conduct with that of the university of Cambridge, which had eight days ago sent him a favorable answer. He sends them Mr. Edw. Fox with these letters, to remind them of their duty.

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ii. Decree of the university of Oxford against the lawfulness of the King's marriage; attested by John Cottisford, commissary, 4 April 1530.

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4 April. R. O. **6304.** THOMAS TEBOLD to the EARL OF WILTSHIRE AND ORMOND.

Has arrived at Frankfurt. Hopes to hear from his Lordship by Reygnard Wolf, bookseller, of St. Paul's Churchyard, London, who will be here in two days.

Hears that the Emperor will have from certain princes and cities in Almayne 7,000 horsemen, some say 10,000; viz., 1,000 from the Palsgrave's land, 1,000 from Cologne, and 50 from the margrave of Baden. Has just heard from two substantial merchants of Cologne that that city will muster 3,000 horse and 5,000 foot for the Emperor. Will write more at large by Reygnard Wolfe. The secretary of Frankfurt, a learned doctor of the law, has told him that he has received letters saying that the Emperor was going towards Rome, but, hearing of certain treasons prepared by the Pope against him, has returned again to Naples. Frankfurt, the morrow after Passion Sunday.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

4 April. R. O. **6305.** PHILIP DACRE to LORD DACRE.

While my lord of Arrante, who is now dead, lay sick, he sent twice or thrice for the King, and bade him agree with Angus, for he was the only Lord true to him, and what his enemies told the King was false. Angus has gone to the King, and delivered Temptaland to him, which he has garrisoned. George of Duglas lies at Barwek, and waits to see how the King and Angus agree. Lord Bodwell and the Carrys are like to make great strife about Ancrom. There is also variance between Danne Carre, of Grenehed, and Danne Carre, of Graden, about purchasing land and "steeds" lying on the Borders. Will send further news when he gets it. Morpeth, 4 April. *Signed and sealed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

4 April. MS. Bibl. Nat. 3,019, f. 32. **6306.** NORFOLK to MONTMORENCY.

Is glad to learn from De Vaulx, and his nephew, Sir Francis Bryan, Montmorency's continued efforts in behalf of the king of England, for which he cannot sufficiently thank him. Greenwich, 4 April.

Fr. From a transcript.

4 April. Le Grand, III. 412. **6307.** DE VAUX to FRANCIS I.*

The King has informed me that by letters of the earl of Wiltshire of the 18th and 19th ult. the Emperor is more than ever determined on the defence of the Queen his aunt. In conversation the Earl could not get him to yield a point, he declaring that the Pope alone ought to be judge of the cause. On which, at the second or third conference, the Earl took his leave, and will remain at Bologna to justify himself to the Pope, awaiting the expected writings from the King, which will be sent as soon as they are ready, especially those of Paris. Suggests that if payment of Wolsey's pension be demanded by virtue of his surrender (*transporto o cession*), it may be resisted. The King is much pleased at the promotion of Mons. De Bourges to the cardinalate, and says he and Francis will be able to accomplish many things, and withstand the designs of the Emperor, when they have a good part of the Cardinals. For this reason he proposes to urge the Pope to make for him two cardinals, viz., the auditor of the Chamber and the prothonotary Casal. Complains of the negligence of the posts of

* The Editor says that the beginning of this letter appears to be lost.

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De Vaux to Francis I.—*cont.*

Picardy. Briant continually writes to the King of the great attention shown him by the Grand Master, for which the King expresses his thanks to Francis, saying he does not know whether Briant be more of an Englishman or a Frenchman.

The duke of Richmond is here,—a most handsome, urbane, and learned young gentleman, very dear to the King on account of his figure (*forma*), discretion, and good manners. He has been summoned by the King from York, where he has been living nearly five years. He is certainly a wonderful lad for his age. He commends himself most humbly to your Majesty, saying he wishes to be a good Frenchman, and to make himself the servant of the Dauphin. The More, 11 April 1530.

The King is writing to Briant, in order that the restitution of the Princes may not be delayed on account of the obligation of 22,000 fl.; that if the Emperor's agents make any difficulty, Briant is to retain the obligation he was to deliver to them, and take an obligation of Francis that he will pay the sum within a convenient period, if within six or eight months the Emperor do not make it appear, either that he is not indebted to that amount, or that, being so, he has paid it. The King says he is so displeased with the Emperor's haughtiness that he has a great mind to recal his ambassador; which, he adds, he is the more induced to do, as he believes it would lead the Emperor to withdraw his, for he is little satisfied with the Imperial ambassador here. He also says if his ambassador with the Pope do not report a good conclusion he intends to settle the matter within his realm by the advice of his Council and Parliament, so as not to have recourse to the Pope, whom he regards as simoniacal and ignorant, and consequently no good father. And he thinks that if he thus refuse to recognize the court of Rome, other kingdoms will do the same. He thinks the difficulties started by the Emperor's agents are only to delay the restitution of the Princes.

Has at length obtained from Wolsey the two quittances for May and December 1528. Will endeavor to obtain the third for May 1529. 4 April 1530.

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5 April. R. O. St. P. I. 377.

6308. John Bishop of Lincoln, Edward Foxe, and John Bell to Henry VIII.

Have deferred answering his last letters until they had some certain matter to write. Have today obtained the consent of all the university, that the decision of the doctors and bachelors who were chosen to decide the King's cause should be taken as the determination of the whole university. After the election was finished according to the instrument sent today by Foxe to Mr. Secretary, and after three public disputations in the divinity schools, which they thought a very honorable cause of deferring the act, yesterday Bell and Foxe, with Dr. Coxe and the warden of All Souls, called before them the regents, and told them that the King's indignation at their ungoodly behavior would be mitigated if they would submit to the order devised by the doctors, although in spite of them it must take effect.

Divers of them answered very frowardly; but, on dividing them, 27 were found on our side, and only 22 on the other. This morning, called together the King's friends, and determined to call a convocation in the afternoon; at which, calling apart the faculties of divinity, canon law, civil law, and physic, and then the bachelors of divinity and non-regents, found them all conformable, except 8 or 10, so that the only impediment was in the regents. After consulting with the presidents of the colleges how to attain their good will, called the company of every house together to give their voices in a secret scrutiny, and obtained 37 votes to 25. Immediately caused the com-

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missary to make a decree according to the form enclosed. Tomorrow, will call all the judges together, and after a mass, which the bishop of Lincoln will celebrate, will proceed to the determination, which must be read in convocation, and eight persons chosen to correct it before sealing. Doubts not that it will be sealed in the said convocation, or else the next day. Will then repair to the King, unless otherwise ordered. Oxford, 5 April. *Signed.*

Pp. 4. *Add. and Endd.*

ii. Copy of the decree made by John Cottisforde, commissary of the university. 4 April.

Lat, draft, p. 1.

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6309. JOHN CASALE to HENRY VIII.

I have not hitherto written to you, as I received no directions, but I have advertised my brother and the ambassadors at Bologna what I was about. I have also written to the duke of Norfolk and to Guron. Yesterday I received your letters for these signors. When I and Croke think it opportune I will deliver them. I shall proceed in your business with greater freedom; and if I have occasion to send fuller information, I will write to Norfolk and to Guron. Venice, 5 April 1530. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add.*

5 April. R. O. St. P. VII. 232.

6310. JOHN CASALE to NORFOLK.

Received his letters, dated 10 March, and conferred upon the contents with Croke, suggesting that he should communicate to me what he thought of the King's cause. It was well done to write to brother Francis, whom I have asked to undertake the King's defence. He will write to the King, and I hope he will be instrumental in inducing others to write on the subject. I will visit the Paduan doctors; and I can do so more freely, as I have the King's commands, and the promise of money from the bishop of Worcester. My brother, Sir Gregory, writes that the bishop of Worcester desires that the letter of Basil be procured, which I have said is in Alcander's possession, and cannot be obtained. I will try what can be done. We shall have many on our side, and two Jews, to one of whom Croke has already spoken, and the other is my great friend, who translated for the Pope and the bishop of Verona certain parts of the Old Testament from Hebrew into Latin. I write to Guro.

After the Emperor left Bologna, the Pope suddenly took his departure. They say he is gone to Rome to collect money for a war against Florence. The duke of Ferrara, at the instigation of the Emperor, has arranged matters with the Pope, and leaves Modena in the hands of the Emperor. He has followed the latter to Mantua. It is rumored that the Turk is raising forces. Venice, 5 April 1530. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

5 April. Add. MS. 19,398, f. 41. B. M.

6311. SIR THOS. MORE to SIR JOHN ARUNDELL.

Has obtained from my lord Souch and Arundel's other coparceners in the manor of Sharshelverton, in the parish of Stepleberton, and the ferme of Darneton, Oxon, the grant of a lease of their parts to his servant Edw. Joones, and asks Arundel to do the same. The manor cannot be well occupied by more than one tenant, without great unquietness. Chelchith, 5 April. *Signed:* Tho. More K., Chauncellour.

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5 April. **6312.** MARGARET OF SAVOY to CHARLES V.

Lanz, I. 380. The increase of the Lutherans in Germany may hinder his plan of going thither to hold a diet. Exportation of horses from the Emperor's countries difficult to interfere with. Will arrange for the pay of his ambassador in England, notwithstanding the charges on the Emperor's finances here. The Emperor's sovereignty is not respected in Artois, notwithstanding the treaties of Madrid and Cambray. Is glad of Charles's good will to assist the queen of England. Will make use of the brief sent by the Emperor about her business. Malines, 5 April '29, *avant Pasques.*

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6 April. **6313.** RIC. STRETE, Priest, to DR. LEE.

R. O. I received on 4 April a letter from . . . . . [and] from my good master Cromwell, touching . . . . . in Caukewood. The prior of Calwich is dead. Rauf Longforth, who is founder, claims the right of presentation; but we cannot find any such claim in the register. There is but one canon now there; and Dr. Poole and I think that the ordinary ought not to lose his accustomed provision. Longforth has sent to London a canon of Derlegh, with money, to urge his claims. Mr. Justice Fitz[james] says his son Longforth doeth this against his will. Various persons are recommended. Consult with Mr. Cromwell what is to be done. Lich' (Lichfield), 6 April.

Hol., pp. 2, *mutilated. Add.:* To the right worshipful [M]r. Dr. Lee, chaplain to [the] King his grace, in Pater[noster] Row, London.

6 April. **6314.** THOMAS BENOLT, Clarencieux.

Add. MS. 6,297, f. 147. B. M. Warrant to Sir Thomas More, chancellor, to make a patent for Thomas Benolt, Clarencieux King at arms, to hold a visitation and give arms, within his province, from the Trent southwards. Windsor, 6 April 21 Hen. VIII.

Modern copy, pp. 3.

7 April. **6315.** GERVAIS CAWODD to DR. BELLASIS.

R. O. Wishes to take one of the farmholds of Dr. Bellasis' late brother, about Newburghe, or Blakamore, during the nonage of his son. Is kinsman by the mother's side to his brother's children, and the deceased promised him such a farm in compensation for the injury he had done him about the gentlewoman, and "in laboring your prebend at Hoveden from me." Should like to speak with him about these matters, and "concerning communication betwixt my lord of Durham and me afore Easter." Shakkelwell, 7 April.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

7 April. **6316.** [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Vit. B. XIII. 67 b. B. M. Has received two letters from him, stating that he had sent letters by Paul Cassale, who has not delivered them to Croke, but to his brother, April 4. The latter opened the parcel, and gave Francis a copy of the King's letters to him, before he gave the letters to Croke for Francis. Cassale has thus found out what Francis wrote for the King. He had always told him that he would do nothing without the Pope's leave. Fears Cassale has thus discovered other things which may injure Croke and the King. In answer to his question, whether it is true that the Prothonotary wrote that Croke said a learned German had promised to write for the King, neither knows nor cares what the Cassali write or say. Cares for this, that Ghinucci has sent the most secret matters, and those which specially concern

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the King. Croke's greatest friend seems as it were to doubt whether he wrote from suspicion or knowledge, which he could not do if all that he wrote has come to the King. If Ghinucci thinks anything ought to be kept back, wishes him to send it to Fox in England, or to Croke at Venice. Fox thanks Ghinucci for his dispensation, and promises to do anything for him with the King or any other. He complains that there is a rumor of its purport throughout the whole court. Knows that neither Ghinucci nor himself spread it, but has never spoken a word about it to any one, except to Ghinucci and Gregory Cassale. Fox warned Croke not to interfere between Ghinucci and the Cassali. This was unnecessary, for, except in the King's cause, which is entrusted to him alone, he has written nothing. "Sed neque scribetur unquam in ea si quid erroris offendam, et tibi (cui unice et fidet et favet rex) et regi ipsi, si opus fuerit, posthabito omni etiam vitæ periculo, communicare non dubitabo . . . . . mo ad literas tuas illas, inquam, quas tu tanta humanitate [et mod]estia, tantus, inquam, pontifex, ad tam pusillum sacerdotem [et nullius] momenti homuncionem scripseras, quas hercle . . . . . tempero quia lachrimer tantum amicum"
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From what happened at the trial to which Croke was obliged to summon De la Fossa before he could get his money, thought Ghinucci distrusted him, and ordered De la Fossa to pay no more money without giving him warning. Ghinucci had written to Croke that he must be contented with 25 gold pieces a week, and De la Fossa had shown a letter from Ghinucci's brother giving the same order.

But to return to Ghinucci's letter. He says that he has provided for Croke without commission; but the King told Croke that Ghinucci would supply him; and Stephen promised the King that he would send him letters of bank. Brian [Tuke] wrote that he had sent letters for 2,000 ducats before Ghinucci had paid him any money. Sends a copy of Brian's letters. If there is any mistake, asks him to write him a letter about it which he can send on to the King. Brian's letter will show him that those people speak falsely who think that Croke lives in Ghinucci's house, and that diets are not assigned to him. Wonders that Brian wrote to Ghinucci that the King only allowed Brian 59*l.* for posts, when he writes to [Croke] that the King had willingly granted all the money he asked for posts, which was more than 67*l.* Promises to serve Ghinucci's cause with the King. Has written to the King to complain of the want of money, through the perfidy of the merchants, not through Ghinucci's fault. Forwarded letters of his, complaining of the same thing, and showing his fidelity in the King's affairs. "Scribam proximo nuncio tibi ad regem" * * * Six weeks and three days passed between the first and second receipts of money from Ghinucci. Now asks for all the money which the King wishes to be paid him beforehand, and, in addition, 200 gold pieces of the 2,000 of which Brian writes. Will want them greatly, unless Brian thinks men can be engaged for nothing, and that Croke and his servants can live without food or clothing. Is glad to hear that Ghinucci's brother is recovering his health. Will write in his behalf to the King, and asks him to send the draft of a letter.

Advises him to procure some of the theologians of Sienna for the King, and to write on behalf of his cause to the minister of the Order of Conventuals, John Francis Marino, to whom Croke will forward the letter. Venice, 7 April.

Lat., pp. 3, draft, mutilated.

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6317. [CROKE] to TUKE.

Thanks him for his kindness. Understands from his and Fox's letters that the King has allowed the bill for his post money, which is about

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[CROKE] to TUKE—*cont.*

LXV . . ., and also the post money from Venice to Bologna, but Ghinucci writes that their letters to him say that it is only 59*l.*, by which he will lose much. Hopes the King will not abate his diet of 13*s.* 4*d.* by allowance of the post money, for he can scarcely execute his charge therewith. Marvels that when the King willed them to allow him for three months beforehand, they write that if the money he had from Ghinucci was for his posts or diets, he must receive less. Paid his posts with the money he had from the King out of England, and what he had from Ghinucci was for his diets, and was scarcely sufficient for his expences. Besides, he paid more than 200 cr. of it for the King's affairs, of which he will send an account in his next letter. Loses by the ducats which he had from Tuke almost 16*l.* If he has not enough for meat and drink, cannot serve the King. If the merchants and the Bishop had not disappointed him, the King's affairs would have been in a different case, and many obstacles would have been avoided. Has not been able to buy any clothes, and so he sits here in leather . . . . er like a courier. Asks him to repay 450 cr. of the [sun], which he has had from the Bishop by bankers. Venice, 7 April.

Hol., draft, mutilated.

7 April. R. O. **6318.** [GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.]

"Intellexi quæ sit mens Majestatis vestræ [*tam*] *circa conducendos tot quot fieri possit jurisperitos et theologos* [*e*]*t modum in hoc servandum quem super eo super quo Majestas vestra* [*vul*]*t eos scribere;* de omnibusque statim reddidi certiorem Crocum, quem spero omnem conatum interpositurum ut M^ti^ vestræ satisfiat. Idem spero facturum D. Paulum Casalium qui Venetias propterea se contulit et etiam D. Prothonotarium ejus fratrem. Ego etiam conabor in omnibus pro viribus satisfacere M^ti^ vestræ, *licet quoad generales et provinciales parum sperem,* propterea quod *verear non facile eos qui habent magistratus a Pontifice pendentes trahi posse ad disceptandum de ejus potestate.* Faciam etiam diligentiam quam potero circa *brevia, conferendo etiam me personaliter ad aliqua loca ubi aliquod ex eis, si in rerum natura sint, reperiri posse credendum est. Quoad processum in causa* fiet etiam diligentia *ut sciamus si adversarii* in Romana curia procedent, speroque quod* non poterunt id facere *quin nos sciamus.* Sed nescio quomodo *si procedere voluerint impedire poterimus.* Satis cuperem intelligere mentem M^tis^ vestræ quod eo casu facturi simus. Non memini scripsisse me unquam ad M^tem^ vestram *de conducendo theologo aliquo qui sit Senis, sed bene de jurisperito qui postea pro* M^te^ vestra, ut scripsi, *conductus est,*† jam ordinatum est *Andreæ ut curet eum scribere. Super his* quæ M^tas^ vestra signif[icat] velle *per tales scribi,* idque ex Urbe, cum ad eam pervenero solicitabo. [Non] etiam memini scripsisse me *de rebus Turcæ,* saltem in eum sensum quem litteræ Maj. vestræ præsupponunt, sed bene recordor in illum sensum scripsisse *quoad res Florentinas.* Fuit autem mens me[a] tunc significare M^ti^ vestræ quod *multi putabant Imperatorem circa expeditionem Floren. non serio agere ut Papa* desiderium suum consequeretur, et quod credebatur *Papam bene omnia perpendere, sed consulto dissimulare ne cum Imperatore ad rupturam deveniret.* Hoc autem nunc apertius dicitur, præsertim *postquam Imperator ex exercitu ad se vocavit tria milia peditum ultra quamplures alios qui paulatim ex castris, ex seipsis,* ut dicebatur *discesserant.* De his quæ Venetiis Crocus *in libris pro Maj. vestra invenit* nihil scribo ad Maj. vestram quia ex literis ipsius Croci conjicio eum ad Maj. vestram super hoc scripsisse *et etiam scripturas plures misisse.*

"Mortuus est hic D. Carolus Ruinus qui principalior doctor erat hujus

* *adverterii* in the cipher.

† "*est*"; *rei,* according to the original cipher.

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universitatis qui erat pro parte Maj. vestræ conductus. In ejus locum accepimus *quendam alium doctorem ab illo nutritum* quem speramus aliquid boni scripturum, *propterea quod dictus Carolus ejus opera tanquam manuali uti solebat, et creditur aliquid cum eo communicasse de his quæ scribere intendebat* in causa Maj. vestræ. Sunt etiam conducti alii duo ex principalioribus *ita ut speremus horum medio totam universitatem nos habituros, quoniam vix aliqui[s] superest* alicujus auctoritatis *qui ab aliquo istorum non dependeat.* Bononiæ, vij. Aprilis, MD.XXX."

Hol., chiefly cipher, deciphered. Add. Sealed.

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6319. W. BENET to BURBRIGE.

Wrote that he had obtained the Pope's signature to Burbrige's supplication, but it was lost between the Datary and him that registers the supplications. Has written to the Datary for it twenty times, offering as large a fee as he could desire, and asking him, if it was lost, to write to Mr. Alexander at Rome, to deliver to Burbrige that which was signed by the Pope, before his Holiness left for Bononye.

Can get no answer but that the supplication shall be found again. Had no copy, and could not therefore get it signed before he left the Pope, and sends the enclosed letter to Jacobo Salviati, asking him to get it done. Wishes to see Burbrige before he goes to England. If he goes by Almain, it would not be much out of his way to go by the Emperor's court, where he will be sure to find Benet. Will provide for him there, and send Jas. Broke with him into England.

Has written to his uncle to pay him the 100 ducats. He will find the Emperor's court either at Isbroke or Ostbrooge (Augsburg). Thinks they will leave this week for Trent, where the Emperor will spend Easter. Asks him to get a pair of caps like Mr. Stephyns, but a little more compass in the crown. Has had no leisure to write since my lord of Wiltshire came to Bonony, for he accompanied him to Reggio, and then came hither. Mantua, 7 April 1530.

Hol., pp. 3.

8 April. Wood's Annals of O., II. 43.

6320. THE DIVORCE.

Opinion of the university of Oxford, that it is forbidden by divine and natural law for a Christian to marry his deceased brother's wife. Oxford, 8 April 1530.

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9 April. Add. MS. 28,579, f. 384. B. M.

6321. DOCTOR GARAY to CHARLES V.

Some time ago William des Barres sent you a letter of mine relating what had been done in the faculty of theology here, in order that your Majesty might see to the interest of the queen of England your aunt. I sent also the copy of a conclusion, signed by 15 doctors, in favor of the Queen, attested by two notaries, because the original had been taken from me for legal purposes, and not without favor of the King (Francis). I also urged you to procure a brief from his Holiness, commanding these doctors, within six days after its receipt, to meet together, and declare each upon his conscience his own conclusion, sealed with the seal of the faculty. I also thought it well that the King should write to these doctors to the same effect, to avoid scandal, and I wrote the same thing to the Queen and to Madame Margaret, with the same notarial copies. The king of England is making such efforts to procure the divorce as are enough to set the world on fire. Mons. de Langes, who is thought a learned man, brother of the bishop of Bayonne,

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DOCTOR GARAY to CHARLES V.—*cont.*

has got the signatures removed on the pretence "que hazen lo que deben de hazer allegar 10 doctores otras vezes 12, o como pueden entre tanto aparejase el comer despues de comido da la conclusion en favor del dicho rey," viz., that the Pope had no power to dispense. Influenced by shame, fear, bribery, and cajolery, thirty have signed this proposition, including some who had signed in favor of the Queen. Suggests that the Pope should be got to send a man hither who fears God, to inquire into the case and punish the offenders. They tell me the university of Pavia publishes that the Queen is content to have a place appointed for her in the kingdom, and to live as a widow, with an allowance for her board; and that if the Pope will not grant a divorce, the King will, like a man who has been denied justice, appoint judges in his own kingdom to settle the matter. Such are the falsehoods by which they have gained the greater part of the residents in this university. Paris, 9 April 1530.

Sp., pp. 6, *modern copy.*

9 April. **6322.** HENRY VIII. to CLEMENT VII.

Add. MS. 15,387, f. 225. B. M. Theiner, p. 591.

Recommends for the cardinalate the prothonotary Casalius and the bishop of Worcester, his ambassadors; but if the Pope cannot be induced to confer this favor on both, specially requests it for the bishop of Worcester. At the More, 9 April 1530.

Lat., modern copy.

[9] April. **6323.** HENRY VIII. to FRANCIS I.

MS. Bibl. Nat. 2,980, f. 20.

Suggests to Francis that as the Emperor has just got the Pope to create three cardinals, while only one has been made at his request, he should cause his Holiness to make at least two in his favor. Recommends De Vaulx for one. Windsor, — April 1530.

Fr. From a transcript.

10 April. **6324.** HENRY VIII. to CLEMENT VII.

Theiner, p. 591.

Have received your letter, dated 26 March, in which you beg that, whilst the cause is in suspense, we take no further steps; and you propose, in the event of our compliance, to defer it till September and later, as our ambassadors have informed us. We admit that ostensibly you have professed great kindness, but in deed we are not wholly satisfied. As of late, when we sent you Dr. Stokesley, elect of London, to explain matters as you desired, you refused to hear him; and we know not why, except it was to remain in ignorance of the merits of our cause, and waste the time. True friendship abhors deceit, and the greater our regard for your Holiness the more freedom we have in expressing our regret. We will hope better things for the future. If your Holiness is resolved to put off our cause till September, and no attempts be made on the other side, nothing shall be done by us. Whatever security you will give us we will give the same; and if you should assure your promise by a brief, we will take no steps in the interim, although we experience the pain of suspense. The elect of London, Worcester, Benet, and Gregory, our ambassadors, will explain further. Windsor, 10 April 1530.

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11 April. **6325.** WILLIAM BUCKMASTER to DR. EDMUNDS, Vicar of Alborne.

Lamb's Camb. Docts. 23.

"Dominica secunda" in the afternoon came to Wyndsore, and to part of Mr. Latymer's sermon, after which I spoke with Mr. Secretary and Mr. Proveste.

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After evensong, delivered our letters in the chamber of presence, all the court beholding. The King and Mr. Secretary read them, but not the letters of determination, though I delivered them with a proposition. His Highness thanked me and lauded our wisdom, and good conveyance in the matter and great quietness. He told me also what he had in his hands for our university, as Mr. Secretary had showed us. "So he departed. But by and by he greatly praised Mr. Latymer's sermon; and, in so praising, said on this wise: 'This displeaseth greatly Mr. Vice-chancellor yonder.' 'Yon same,' said he unto the duke of Norfolk, 'is Mr. Vice-chancellor of Cambridge;'—and so pointed unto me." After the King's departure, the Duke came and welcomed me, saying that the King would speak with me next day. "And here is the first act."

Waited next day till dinner time. At last Dr. Butts brought me a reward, —20 nobles for me, and 5 marks for the younger proctor with me,—saying I should take that for a resolute answer, and might leave the court when I would. Told Mr. Proveste of our answer, who said I should speak with the King after dinner for all that, and brought me to a privy place to wait. At one o'clock the King entered. It was in a gallery, and there were only Mr. Secretary, Mr. Provest, Mr. Latymer, Mr. Proctor, and I. The King talked with us till 5 o'clock. He was scarce contented with Mr. Secretary and Mr. Provest that it was not also determined, *An papa possit dispensare, &c.* Confirmed what they had already said, that it would never have been so obtained. He then said he would have it determined after Easter; of which we counselled a while. I pray you therefore study, for this our business is not yet at an end, *An papa possit dispensare cum jure divino, &c.* Had other talk, too long to recite. The King departed, "casting a little holy water of the court," and I shortly took leave of Mr. Secretary and Mr. Provest, with whom I did not drink, nor yet was bidden. On the morrow I departed, thinking more than I said, and being glad that I was out of the court, where, as I both heard and perceived, many men did wonder on me. "And here shall be an end for this time of this fable." All the world cries out on Cambridge for this act, and especially on me, but I must bear it as well as I may. I have lost a benefice by it, which Mr. Throkmeter has often promised me; but now that it has fallen vacant, his mind is turned from me.

Begs Dr. Edmondes to remember him if he goes to the court after Easter.

Since you left Cambridge, parson Dakers, of St. Nicholas Hostell, hurt Christopher, Mr. Secretary's servant; but when I proceeded to enquire into it, he refused me for his judge, saying that I was familiar with Mr. Secretary and Dr. Thirleby. Would not admit his recusation nor appeal, and committed him to ward, but he escaped from the beadle, "and that night there was such a jetting in Cambridge as ye never heard of, with such boyng and crying, even against our college, that all Cambridge might perceive it was in despite of me." The elder proctor would have inhibited me, and prosecuted the appeal, but I would not suffer him. It is made a country matter, and greatly labored, but yet it is approved by the university that no person can refuse the Vice-chancellor's jurisdiction. Mr. Latymer preacheth still, *quod æmuli ejus graviter ferunt.*

I hear that Oxford has elected certain persons to determine the King's question, and that Mr. Proveste was there in great jeopardy.

Cambridge, in crastino Dominicæ Palmarum. The King desired me to send you word of his pleasure in the said question.

11 April. Vit.B.XIII.70. B. M.

6326. [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Asks for money, as the King has told Croke that he would supply him. Does not know how he will recover from the King what he has given to others; but whatever is given to Croke for the King's business cannot

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[CROKE to GHINUCCI]—*cont.*

be refused. There is no need for him to risk his money with any one but Croke. Will not go away until everything is finished. Matters are going on well, and he perceives that some persons are displeased at it, although they ought to be grateful. Fears that one person may endanger his life. If this happens, the King ought to consider none but Ghinucci responsible, to whom alone Croke has revealed the arts of those who hinder the King's cause under pretence of friendship. Thought that his disagreement with Ghinucci was ended, so that the slight suspicion caused by his departure would not have caused the Bishop to plot against him with the others. If Ghinucci is not his sincere friend, he is not Croke's helper, but a spy upon the King's secrets. Blames him for writing of him contemptuously to father Francis, when his return to Vienna was certain. Deserves to have one offence pardoned, as he has praised his diligence and faith so highly to the King that he could not now accuse him. Asks him why he was so displeased at his departure, and what he could fear, if he had a good conscience. Will explain matters. "Primum omnium, certum erat me statim ad acceptas a te et . . . . . literas respondisse, certum erat meas ad utrumque tibi an . . . . . discessu redditas. Et tamen miratur Stoxleius in . . . . . responsivas non dedisse" * * *
The Count (*comes*) remains with us a few days and returns; but eight days after, Croke hears nothing from Ghinucci. At last receives letters signifying the order for keeping back the money, very different to what the merchant had said. There was nothing about supplying him, or about the matters on which Croke had consulted him, so that he might feel himself destitute, and be driven to consult the ambassadors. This was the cause of his journey; and he would certainly have departed, if a certain influential senator had not told him that two letters had come from the Venetian ambassador in England, desiring them, in the King's name, to commit the cause to be discussed by the theologians of Venice and Padua, and promising to send two doctors to assist. Matters being thus, Ghinucci has thrown him into great danger; but he forgives him, begging that he will not treat him so again, and that he will extinguish the hatred that he has created against Croke, on the King's account, who cannot do without his assistance here. Cannot help fearing the treachery of those whom Ghinucci either hates or else has spoken falsely of. He must not be surprised at Croke's fear, for he is a stranger here, and has no one to protect him but Ghinucci, who has now ceased to do so. Has one consolation, that the King will hold him responsible. Promises not to act, speak, or write against him, if he will cease from such conduct, and promote the King's cause. Prays that this may be the end of their mutual suspicions. * * *
"tam tecum quam cum aliis dissimulare ut nullum possis habere cer[tius] meæ in te constantissimæ amicitiæ symbolum quam quod cæsus exca . . . . . et libere jurgem." Advises Ghinucci to procure the appointment of friar Thomas Omnibonus as general of his Order, which would greatly further the King's cause. He would then, doubtless, procure all the Dominicans, except those few who, as he hears, have already pronounced against the King at Rome. Asks for more certain information about this, and how many friends Ghinucci has procured at Rome. Asks for 400 cr. more, for 200 diets which the King wishes to be paid beforehand, and another 200 for his business. Venice, 11 April.

Could not obtain from De Cassalis information of the time when he would deliver the King's letters to the Senate. Urged him to deliver them on Wednesday. He postponed it till Thursday, then to Friday, and finally delivered them on Saturday.

As the King has written nothing about Croke to the Senate, and as he cannot show to the Senate his letters from the King without endangering

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his friends, he does not know how to obtain the answer which the King wants. Intends to go this Easter, that is on Wednesday, to see the bishop of Verona, and give him Ghinucci's letters.

Lat., draft, pp. 3.

11 April. **6327.** [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Vit.B.XIII.72. B. M.

De Cassalis gave him yesterday the letters "quas tu ad me rem . . . . . miseras, sed nullo signo obsignatas." Could not induce him to deliver the King's letters before Saturday, or in public, or to commend him to the Senate, as ambassador from the King. He showed Croke Ghinucci's Italian letters, which relieved him from great fear, seeing that Ghinucci wrote to others to express his vexation and fear at Croke's departure. Feared that he would put Croke in great danger, merely from undeserved suspicion. His fear was increased because Ghinucci gave the King's letters to Paul de Cassalis to be carried to his brother, and by him given to Croke. By this means De Cassalis obtained a copy of all the King's letters, and suspects that the King distrusts him, and therefore envies Croke.

"Sed et archana nostra fere omnia ex adversar[iis] regis ad Franciscum noscens metuere nos coegit ne is magni alicujus mali ex hoc nobis author esset et tibi ejus culpa computaretur," as Ghinucci, contrary to the King's orders, sent him the royal letters, knowing that he would open the packet. Wonders the more at this, as Ghinucci at other times was at enmity with him. Would be silent about this, if he wished to be revenged on Ghinucci for his conduct, but he will bear anything rather than injure the King's cause. Writes openly, and hopes that this will be the last day of their suspicions. Is not ungrateful, nor as prone to revenge an offence as to expostulate. Can be either mild or bitter with enemies, but a friend's kindness is everlasting. The jewels which Ghinucci's brother gave him are still before his eyes. Has not forgotten the dispensation, which Ghinucci obtained for him gratis, nor the letters he wrote to the King commending him. As Ghinucci asks others about his departure, will tell him the truth, that he was compelled to it by Ghinucci's slowness and negligence; for when Croke had consulted him about many important matters, he promised to reply after the arrival of the Count (*Comitis*), but yet did not write to Croke for 10 days after the Count had left, and sent no money, except what Croke wrung from De la Fossa by law. "Addo quod scripseras mirari Stoxleium me . . . . . literas nihil respondisse cum statim ab acceptis discedere" * * * Received no warning of this from Ghinucci, and did not think that he ought to wait longer when deprived of all help and advice. Had nothing to live on, and knew not where to get anything, and had executed successfully his instructions. Does not see that his going was an injury to Ghinucci; and would have gone, if he had not met a senator, who told him the Venetian ambassador in England had written to the Senate to say that the King was sending two doctors to discuss his cause, and asked that the theologians of Padua and Venice might be allowed to express their opinions.

Asks him not to write to those whose friendship he has obtained from the King, so as to make them suspect him. Requests him to send the remaining 200 cr. which the King assigned for his diets, and 200 of the 2,000 cr. which Brian provides. Will let him know what he writes to the King. 11 April.

Hol., draft, pp. 2, *Lat., mutilated.*

6328. [CROKE] to FOX.

Vit.B.XIII.73. B. M.

Thanks him for the pains he has taken for him. Never spoke a word [about Fox's] dispensation, except to the Bishop and Gregory de Cassalis,

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[CROKE] to FOX—*cont.*

who, as appeared by his letters sent from Bologna by the Bishop, doubtless disclosed all Croke's and Fox's secrets to Carrew, Boner, and others, like a light dissembler, pretending to help, but really doing all the hindrance he could. There was no need for Fox to warn him not to interfere between Gregory and the Bishop. Will not meddle with any of them, except for the furtherance of the King's causes. When he found any obstacle in them, wrote to the Bishop for advice, according to his instructions. There is great labour here by the Emperor's friends to cause the Sena[te] to refuse the King's petition, or to put him off till the Emperor has left Mantua. Notwithstanding, the King has many a heart in Venice, in no town more, but they marvellously fear the Emperor. Spent on the post to Bologna 67*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.* beside the posts to Venice from Bologna. If the King allows his bill, as Fox and Brian write that he has, the money which he has had from the Bishop must be for his diets, which, at a mark a day, is scarcely enough for bare meat and drink. Here everything is dear, and men must be entertained to know their minds. By conversation at dinner he recovered for the King those who were alienated, "and d . . . . . the care whereof was so great that I neither [had any] leisure nor was able to buy me or my . . . . . anything for our body sauf only" * * * Tuke says that if the money Croke had from the Bishop was either for posts or diets, he must now have less. Asks whether, when he had spent all his money in posts, it is not reasonable that he should have money for meat and drink. Assures him that he is so hungerly handled that he cannot do the King the service that he might. Before the Emperor's coming, if he and the Bishop had not wanted money, the King had had all Italy on his side in this cause. Has not received his full diets for times past, as he has laid out 200 cr. of the Bishop's money on the King's business, and has borrowed money from Hervell, without whose help he could not have served the King. The King desires him to have 20*s.* a day for three months beforehand, but he has no more than 300 cr. Asks him to consider the nature of Italians, who will neither give nor do without money; his necessity, as he has nothing of his own; the vicinity of the Emperor and the great enemies of the King's cause; and to intercede with the King for more money for his own meat and drink and the King's affairs, the niggard handling of which has lost them many, and will lose more, unless remedy is found. Doubts not that he would gain many more if the Emperor were gone. All the learned and good men with whom I have spoken favor our part.

Hol., draft, pp. 2.

6329. ROBERT BROWN to WOLSEY.

R. O. I have received your letter desiring that I should see your manor of Southwell repaired against your coming. I have got ready faggots for the kitchen, bakehouse, and brewhouse, and have ordered the mason to work the doors of your gallery, according to your pleasure. I have also sent one of the King's glaziers to glaze your lodgings, gallery, &c., and caused locks to be made for the servants' doors and houses. As for casting of your gallery with lime and hair, according to the direction of Mr. Holgill, your surveyor, there are no workmen here that can work in that matter. As for covering the houses above head, and dressing the walls where necessary, it shall be done. As for your command that I should help my lord of Welbeke to provide corn for bread and drink for your household, I have no experience in that matter. Your servant, Mr. Constable, can show you that it has pleased God to visit me with sickness ever since Christmas, so that I cannot stand, and I do not expect to live. Therefore, I trust you will accept this

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excuse, as I should have been glad to have served you to the uttermost, had I been in health. *Signed* (*very feebly*): Robert Broun.
Pp. 2. *Add.*

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6330. Wm. Capon to Wolsey.

On leaving Wolsey, went to Ipswich, caused God's service to be maintained in the college, and paid all the wages, which, with other expences since his last account, amount to 104*l.*, which he has borrowed on his plate. The rents are hard to be levied, for the tenants say they know not who are to be their landlords. The monastery of Bromehill has lately been sequestered from them by the King's commandment, so that nothing will be received either from Bromehill or Wykes till the King's pleasure is known. Has no profit from Cheshunt, Sayscourt and Mountjoy. My lord of Norfolk has Felixstowe, Faltynham, and the New Marsh. The bishop of Norwich has sequestered St. Matthew's and the oblations of Our Lady's chapel.

Does not see how the present company can be maintained, for the revenues are not above 300*l.* a year. Asks whether they shall break up the choir, or retain only sufficient for Our Lady's mass and one anthem every night, till they know further of the King's pleasure. Are put to great trouble and charge for the rents resolute and pensions of vicarages of the monasteries lately in the hands of the dean of Wolsey's college in Oxford, viz., Wykes, Dodnash, Tiptree and Snape; for the dean never paid the resolutions and pensions, so they are all laid to their charge, and are so great that they cannot pay them. Asks him to order the said dean to pay them, or else to allow Capon to call the dean before my lord Chancellor.

His servant shall attend on Wolsey to know his pleasure. From your Grace's college in Ipswich, 11 April. *Signed.*
Pp. 2. To my lord Cardinal's good grace.

12 April. P. S.

6331. For William Reppys, S.T.P., a Monk in the Cathedral of Holy Trinity, Norwich.

Assent to his election as abbot of the monastery of St. Benet, Hulme, Norw. dioc., *vice* John Salcote, resigned. Windsor Castle, 10 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 April.
Pat. 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 27.

13 April. Le Grand, III. 427.

6332. Du Bellay to ———.

The affair of the divorce had been quite despatched at Paris, as it had already been at Orleans, by the means employed by my brother, which were such that Francis satisfied the one party without spoiling anything with the other. People are dissatisfied with what he has done "contre ce que son labeur et dispence requeroit;" but as he will have to bear the blame of every bribe (*loyer*) I expect he will not forget himself so far as to meddle with it any more (*plus se y amuser*), and I hope it will be known that he does not serve two masters. For though in benefits he is less bound to the one than I think he would be, he is nevertheless so much bound already that he would be too wicked to communicate his service to the other. Of two or three despatches to Liset, nothing has come to my knowledge, so that I cannot tell you the present state of affairs. For the rest I shall be continually with the King and Madame at their orders. Lusignan, 13 April.
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13 April. Vit. B. XIII. 75. B. M.

6333. Hier. Ghinucci, Bishop of Worcester, to [Croke].

Does not feel sure enough of the bearer to answer Croke's letter. Will do so in a day or two.

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HIER. GHINUCCI, BISHOP OF WORCESTER, to [CROKE]—*cont.*

Has spoken to Sir Gregory about writing to the general of the Friars Minors, for the King wishes more of them to act separately. Advises that the assistance of the Prothonotary should be used, because, as he is the King's ambassador there, it will be an insult to act without him, and it might be doubted that they had received such orders from the King, as it would seem probable that he would manage his business through his ambassadors. Bologna, 13 April 1530.

Lat., p. 1. *Copy by Croke.*

13 April. R. O. **6334.** GHINUCCI and SIR GREGORY CASALE to RIC. CROKE.

As the King wishes to engage, besides other men of learning, the generals of the religious Orders, to write in his defence, we beg the prothonotary Casal to inform you of the Franciscan general at Venice, to be applied to for this purpose. Bologna, 13 April 1530. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

Vit. B. XIII. 75. B. M. 2. Copy by Croke. *Mutilated.*

13 April. R. O. **6335.** JOHN GAGE to CROMWELL.

Writes to tell him what he has heard concerning the Cardinal's departure towards the North.

It has been reported in the court that he rode in such sumptuous fashion that some men thought he was of as good courage as in times past, and that there was no impediment but lack of authority. Certain people came to him, some for debt, and some for restitution of things wrongfully taken by him; to which he answered that the King had all his goods, and he could neither pay nor restore. Thinks it would be wisdom for him to have himself "in godde a vatte vatte vordeys passeys hyme" (in good await what words pass him), and specially in the afore-mentioned case. Hopes to see Cromwell these Easter holidays. Windsor Castle, "thys teneber Venseday."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To, &c. Master Cromwell.

6336. GAGE and CROMWELL.

R. O. 1. Assignment by Sir John Gage, the King's chamberlain, to Thomas Cromwell, of the manors of Sutton at Hone and Temple Dartford, Kent, for the residue of certain terms of years granted by the prior of St. John's. Dated [6 July]* 21 Hen. VIII.

Draft, pp. 11.

R. O. 2. A bill acknowledging the receipt of 500 marks by Sir John Gage, from Thomas Cromwell, as purchase money of the above manors.

Draft, pp. 3, *with some writing on the back of each page, and a fragment of a draft by Cromwell about the dispute between Leder and Reynolds.*

R. O. 3. An assignment similar to § 1. by Thomas Cromwell to Sir Brian Tuke. Dated — March 21 Hen. VIII.

Draft, pp. 5.

* This date is left blank in the draft, but appears by § 3.

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14 April. **6337.** KATHARINE OF ARRAGON to DR. ORTIZ.

MSS. Simancas. Duke of Manchester's "Court and Society," I. 165.

Thanks him for his letters and for his zeal in commending her cause to the Pope. Trusts everything to God, who, she hopes, will remedy the evils in this kingdom and Christendom, though the business seems to have no end. Fears that his vicar on earth does not wish to remedy them. The heretics here think the Head and Protector of the Church will give the Church a great fall. Can do no more, as she has written to his Holiness, than tell him the truth, and show him the evils which are imminent. If these means fail, will complain to God, because there is neither faith nor charity in his ministers on earth. Has seen a copy of the Pope's brief, and shown it to learned persons, who say that she requires a stronger medicine to cure her wound, and that remedy is the sentence. Anything else will bring anger and little profit for a few days only. 14 April. *Signed.*

15 April. **6338.** The PROTHONOTARY CARACCIOLO and RODRIGO NIÑO to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 389. B. M.

Mention the propositions of the English ambassador to the Signory, to have the affair of the King's marriage examined by the lawyers of the university of Padua. Have not thought fit to urge the Signory to prevent it, lest the king of England should say that the Emperor tried to stop discussion. The English ambassador resident with the Emperor, and he who has gone to be with the Pope, have written to the bp. of Quieta (Chieti), who is in retreat here (*que esta aqui muy retrahido*) leading a holy life; to whom they send an Englishman to inform him of the whole of this business, and of the causes which move the King to put his bad design in execution. on which they desire that he will send his opinion. The Bishop, although the Emperor knows what he is, acted in this matter like a reasonable man, declaring that the King had no case, even without asking what had to be said for the Queen.

To make his answer the more effective, he sent to Rodrigo Niño for information before the prothonotary came, and I have informed him of the reasons alleged on your Majesty's side, and of all that the bishop of Burgos has told me about it. Venice, 15 April 1530.

Spanish, pp. 3, modern copy. The original is endorsed: A su m^t^, protonotario Caracciolo y Rodrigo Niño, embaxadores en Venecia, a xv. de Abril, x, xx. del mismo, 1530. Respondidas en Inspruch a vij. de Mayo 1530.

16 April. **6339.** [CROKE to FRANCIS CRUCINUS.]

Vit. B. XIII. 67. B. M.

Trusting in father Francis George, I sent your letters to the King, commending your learning and assistance in his cause. The King will shortly write and send a reward. As I have paid you 40 cr., I am much vexed to see that you are acting deceitfully, and obtaining people to write on the other side. Complains of the danger to himself, and requests Crucinus to reconsider his conduct, and obtain the signatures of theologians to conclusions which have been approved by three great universities. Promises that his labor shall not be lost. Venice, 16 April.

Draft, hol., p. 1.

16 April. **6340.** FRANCIS CRUCINUS to [CROKE].

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Quotes various texts of Scripture in favor of the King's cause.

What Crucinus has written for Croke is the truth, for he did not know whose the cause was. Might dispose of the suspicions of which Croke writes, if they could meet. Considers Croke in everything. Sends an

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FRANCIS CRUCINUS to [CROKE]—*cont.*

account of expences, signed by a notary. Will send other things when a fitting messenger is found. Encloses the writings of the senator Lewis Ciconia. Ambrosius Curio has returned to Cremona, and says that the case is difficult. Thinks his labor should be rewarded. Has not spent much money. Is glad to oblige him, and do what he can for the king of England.

Has done more than Croke asked, as his last writing is not to be produced as evidence. Is sorry he did not know the facts of the case. Has spoken on the subject with Sir Gregory Casale. Milan, 16 April 1530.

Lat., pp. 3. *Endd. by Croke:* Copia literæ Crucini ex quibus constat Gregorium de Casalis prodidisse causam istam fuisse regis.

18 April. R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. II. 174.

6341. MAGNUS to WOLSEY.

Has received his letter, dated Peterborough, the 12th, asking leave to occupy for a time Magnus' house at Sibthorpe, his own at Southwell being out of order. Will have to give up for a season his house at St. James', in consequence of the expences he has sustained in the North, "with such recompense as your Grace can consider," and the King's laws are now so strait he must lie on one of his benefices. But, as Wolsey knows, he has only two in his diocese, viz., Sibthorpe, and a poor benefice of 20 marks in the far parts of Yorkshire. Will have to go to the former, which is unmeet for Wolsey, unless Magnus were there to receive him for a short time, in default of a better lodging. It has but three chambers suitable for lodgings, the rest being applied to corn and husbandry, by which his priests and servants are maintained. "And thither I have refuge for livery of mine horses, which, as the law proceedeth now, cannot be remedied by taking anything to farm for mine own ease." Has not sufficient lodging even for his servants when he goes thither; but, if Wolsey pleases, he shall have "the hall, kitchen, buttery, and pantry, all in one, the cellar, a little dining chamber, two chambers, one within another, and a chapel; and the nether end of the hall to be reserved for myself against my coming." There is no lodging to be had in the village, nor fuel within 10 or 12 miles. Wynnessoor, 18 April.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Unto my lord Cardinal's grace.

18 April. Lansd. MS. 94, f. 2. B. M. Strype Eccl. Mem. App. 38.

6342. WRITINGS ON THE DIVORCE.

"An liceat cuiquam ducere uxorem fratris sui vita defuncti absque liberis."

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Lansd. MS. 94, f. 7. Strype Eccl. Mem. App. 39.

2. Contra basim libelli Abelis.

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19 April. R. O.

6343. RIC. DOLPHINE to WOLSEY.

On Easter Day last (17 April), received your letters, dated Peterborough, 15 April, wondering we do so long tarry here, and stating that the wind and weather were propitious with you. They are not so with us. You allege that the masters and mariners of our ships are, at this feast of Easter, at home with their wives and children, and that is the reason of our long abode. If the wind had served us, there is never a shipmaster but should have kept his Easter at Hull. You state that you intend to "keep

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your giests after this time, though it shall be to your great cost and pain," if more speed be not made by us. I required the mariners to lose no time, and begged my old lady of Oxford to command them, on pain of her displeasure, "which be her tenants," to make all the speed they can; which she has accordingly done. I have been with Mr. Sayntclere, living twelve miles off, who has also urged the mariners to speed. I delivered your letters of thanks to my lady of Oxford, "and I ensure your Grace I have not lightly seen so noble a woman rejoice in a letter." She commanded her steward to have me to the cellar, and sent for all my fellows in the town to have supper at her house. Mr. Wolsaye has received 4*l.* of Ric. Attye, and will account to you for disbursing of the same. Wevenhow, Tuesday, 19 April.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* My lord Cardinal, &c.

6344. [Wolsey to Henry VIII.]

R O. According to your pleasure, I have come into my diocese "unfurnished, to my extreme heaviness, of everything that I and my poor folks should be entertained with; for the 1,000 marks which it pleased your Highness of your abundant charity to advance unto me beforehand of the pension assigned to me out of the bishopric of Winchester, [*with all that I could borrow besides,] is clearly gone and spent. I have neither corn nor cattle, ne any other thing to keep household with, nor know not where to borrow anything in these parts towards the provision of the same. [*It will be Lammas or I can receive any part of my rents in these parts, which shall be the least to defray such expences as I shall sustain in the meantime.] My houses be, by the oversight, despoil, and evil behavior of such as I did trust, in such ruin and decay, as well in the roofs and floors [*which be almost ready to fall down,] as in all other implements of household, that [*the whole] *a great parti of the* portion assigned unto me to live with for one year will scantily, in a very base and mean fashion, repair and make the same mete to be inhabited." His creditors are importunate, and he cannot satisfy them. His baggage, which he sent by sea, has not arrived. He is "wrapped in misery and need on every side; not knowing where to be succoured or relieved, but only at your Highness' most merciful and charitable hands. The great virtue, nobleness, pity, compassion and charity that I have always known to be in your most noble heart, with the firm trust that I have and ever have had in your royal Majesty, that ye will not suffer your own poor creature, whom ye have made and renovate of nought, and who hath so entirely observed and loved your Highness, doing unto the same so long painful service, *and such poor pleasures as hath lyne in his lytest power*, to perish for lack, *somewhat* emboldeth me to recur unto your excellent goodness for succour, comfort, and relief, most lowly prostrate at your feet, beseeching your royal Majesty graciously and benignly to consider the premises, and to have pity and compassion on your poor Cardinal, who is and ever shall be, his life during, your faithful and most obedient creature, daily beadsman, and slave; as our Lord knoweth, to whom I shall incessantly pray for the continuance of your most noble and royal estate."

Pp. 2. *Endd.:* "My lord Cardinal." *The words in italics are in Wolsey's hand.*

6345. Wolsey to Percy.

Cott. App. 23. B. M. Whatever may have been reported to him by Sir Rob. Constable, need not fear the King's displeasure for his behavior towards Wolsey since

* These passages are struck out by Wolsey.

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his repair to those parts. The King has advertised Northumberland, Sir Robt., and others, that he will not be dissatisfied with those who show favor to Wolsey, and treat him as his dignity requires, and assist him in all his causes. "Howbeyt I am rygth sory that my lorde your owen (?) beryth nat onto yow hys good wyl wych at my jorne [to] this partes I schalbe glade by all good meanys to knowe (?) [if] ye may atteyne." Needs have no doubt touching the inquisitions on the lands purchased of the Uttereds, "ner ye [shall not] nede to appear at York for the same, for thys . . . . . only for my college of Oxford." Shall be amply informed at Wolsey's repair to those parts. Sends him a warrant for two bucks out of his park at Beverley. "From my manor of Scroby."

Draft in Wolsey's hand, mutilated, pp. 2.

6346. BONNER to CROMWELL.

R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. II. 177.

As you wished to make me a good Italian some time since, by promising to lend me the "Triumphs of Petrarch," I beg you to send it by Mr. Augustine's servant, and specially if you have it, the *Cortigiano* in Italian. At Scroby, with my lord's Grace.

Hol. Add.

19 April. P. S.

6347. For THOMAS BENOLT, Clarencieux King at Arms of the South, East, and West, from the River Trent southward.

Notifying that he intends to hold a visitation of his province. Windsor Castle, 6 April 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 19 April.

20 April. P. S. Rym. XIV.387.

6348. For JOHN STOKESLEY, Bishop Elect of London.

Grant of all sums of money due to the King for the custody of the temporalities of the see, granted to the dean and chapter of St. Paul's, at the rent of 1,000*l.* a year during such voidance. Windsor Castle, 20 April 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Windsor, 20 April.

Pat. 21 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 34.

21 April. R. MS. 7 C. XVI. f. 53. B. M.

6349. JEWELRY.

Memorandum of the delivery by Cornelius Heyes, goldsmith, to Henry VIII. at Windsor, 21 April 21 Hen.VIII., of 12 ballaces standing in colletts; one great ballace standing in a K, with a hanging pearl; 30 pearls; 5 pieces of a carcanet, weighing 3 oz.; and 6 emeralds standing in flowers, with 17 pearls. Received by Heyes from the King, 7¼ oz. of broken gold.

P. 1. *Endd.*

22 April. R. O.

6350. S. PAGNINI, of Lucca, to HENRY VIII.

Is delighted with the King's letter, which he has done nothing to deserve. Will send, as the King desires, the letters and a copy of what he has written and intends to write in this cause, to the bishops of Verona and Chieti. Begs the King's favor to Florence, in which the writer was brought up. Is very anxious in its behalf. Who would not grieve to see a city of 30,000 inhabitants unjustly besieged, or deplore the inclemency of our pastor Clement? If the King will interpose, the siege may be broken up. Lyons, 22 April 1530. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2. *Add. Endd. by the King:* S. Paganinus.

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23 April. **6351.** FEAST of ST. GEORGE.

Ashmol. 1109, f. 129. Celebration of the feast of St. George, 22 Hen. VIII.

23 April. **6352.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B.XIII.74. B. M. Received his letters on 4 April. The same day delivered the King's letters to father Francis, who showed Croke a copy of them from the ambassador here, to his marvellous discomfort; for, to prevent the inconvenience that would assuredly have happened, Croke always told him that he had not written and would not write in the King's favor, without licence from the Pope or the Senate.

The ambassador broke open the packet addressed to Croke, and detained the copies of letters from his brother and the bishop of Worcester to the bishops of Verona and Chieti. He saw by the copy of the King's letters to the Senate that the King desired no credence to be given to Croke, who had no means to gain credence but by showing the King's letters to himself, and that by showing them Croke would bring father Francis into danger, and cause others to fear favoring the King's cause; he therefore would not procure Croke any credence at the Senate, nor inform him when he would deliver the King's letters, nor would he deliver them before April 10. "At the which delivery he, as he said, had obtained [that] none other should be present but such as he na[med . . .] I think and trust that in recom-[pense] of his old negligence he wol so order . . . . . connuance that there shall appear" * * * Croke, being privily informed of his going to the Senate, went with him. He secretly spoke in Italian to the Duke, telling Croke afterwards that he said to the Duke that Croke was sent only to solicit him. The Duke's answer was that they had so much business that they could not answer the King's letters till afterwards. Perceives that he is sorely annoyed and jealous that the King ordered him only to deliver the letters, and Croke to obtain the answer. Fears not only bodily harm, but secret impediment of the King's causes, which Croke has almost brought to the desired effect. Venice, 23 April.

Hol., draft, pp. 3, mutilated.

6353. THE KING'S LETTERS.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 296. "Tenor literarum Regiarum missarum, ut scribit Wigorniensis, ad se et reliquos oratores."

It will be expedient to hire as many Italian doctors as possible to defend the King's cause against opponents. As theologians are rare here, who do not live in or profess religion, it would be advisable to gain as many provincials of the Orders as possible. The theologians should be urged to assert that the prohibition, being of divine law, cannot be dispensed with; and the jurists, to assert at least that it is of divine right, if nothing more can be obtained from them. It is most necessary that as many theologians and jurists as possible should be engaged to assist, and those who disagree, not to oppose. Attempts must be made to gain as many as possible to his Majesty's side, by help of friar Francis George, so that he may conquer by numbers as well as by justice and truth. The sayings of the Jews about Deuteronomy and Leviticus, and whatever else can be found anywhere to aid the cause, must be sent with the greatest diligence to his Majesty. They are to write to the bishops of Chieti and Verona to assist. Although he has hitherto desired everything to be done secretly, now that friar Francis suspects, it is thought better first to find out the opinion of the persons to be engaged, and then to treat with them by name, propose a reward, and promise gratitude, which his Majesty

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will, without doubt, perform; and he trusts that the disclosure of his name will make them more ready to serve him.

The doctors of the canon law must write concerning the divine character of the prohibition; and those engaged for his Majesty must be carefully examined about the falsity of the brief, the sufficiency of the bull of dispensation in consequence of the minority [of the King], during which he could not prefer a supplication, and on account of his subsequent refusal. All means must be tried to obtain the approval of the University. The King writes to the signory of Venice and Francis George; of which letters copies are enclosed. He writes to the prothonotary Casale to present the letters to the Signory, to whom their ambassador in England also writes. All the above he sends as extracts ([*excer*]*pta*) from your Majesty's letters, with this title, "Tenor literarum regiarum."

ii. From a letter of the bishop of Worcester, dated "[ex Bon]onia," 31 March.

What I wrote about learned theologians, who you say are rare in Italy, has been provided for by the King, who does not wish so much to obtain excellent ones, as all.

Lat., pp. 2. *In Croke's hand.*

Vit. B. XIII. 71 b. B. M. 2. Another copy, also by Croke, headed "Tenor literarum regiarum." *Mutilated.*

R. O. 3. Another copy.

Endd.: "The tenor of the King's letters and instructions sent to me, in the King's name, by my lord of Worcester."

23 April. **6354.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 83 b. B. M. [Sends] the subscriptions which he promised, copied from the originals by Thomas Omnibonus, prior of the Venetian Dominicans. Will bring the originals himself, to avoid the danger of sending them by a messenger. Sent lately to him new writings in Hebrew in defence of his cause, the letter of Basil, with commentaries, and some other Greek writings, authenticated by a notary. Sends now all the Greek writings again, and many extracts from the *catena* of Greek commentaries on the Old Testament. Some of the extracts are what were alleged by their opponents, and some will not seem applicable at first, but their purpose will hereafter appear from the writings of learned men for the King. Friar Paulinus, of the order of Reformed Dominicans, writes on the King's side, in Greek and Latin, and his writings will be subscribed by some others whom the King owes to the bishop of Verona. Not one of these will write without leave from the Pope or the superior. The bishop of Verona has ordered his vicar not only to favor the King's cause, but in his absence to assemble theologians, and urge them to write. He himself will subscribe. He has written to the bishop of Chieti, who replied that he had always venerated the King, but dared not meddle with this business; he advised the King to procure from the Pope permission for theologians to discuss the case, by which the King would gain, as he has justice on his side. Asked the bishop of Verona to write to the King; but he said that it was not fit for him to write first to such a great prince, and, in case the Pope asked him, he wished to subscribe in consequence of the justness of the cause, and not from favor to the King. His vicar and all the lawyers have asked Croke for the bull and the dispensation, but he cannot obtain from the ambassador or from the bishop of Worcester either the bull or the brief, or any book on either side of the cause. Is sure they have them, as appears by their writings. By Croke's help alone, the King has gained father Francis and father Thomas Omnibonus, and, by

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their influence, not only those mentioned in the last letter, but all those whose signatures are annexed.

Many whom Francis has obtained are not there, as he is now absent on the King's business. He also gained Simonetus, the public reader of theology at Padua, whom all the theologians of the Signory venerate as a god. Expects that tomorrow he will write to the King, as he promised Croke and Leonicus, and in three days he will send the book on the King's cause. Has engaged also John Francis Marinus, minister of the Conventuals at Venice and provincial here. "[Habeo] penes me ipsius syngrapham qua se obligat omnibus viribus . . . . . rum jure divino, naturali et morali, Papæ indispensabili . . . . . relictam a fratre, frater ducat et etiam paraturum quotquot" * * *

As the King ordered, communicated everything sincerely to the bishop of Worcester. Before engaging John Francis Marinus, asked the Bishop to write secretly to him to encourage him to obtain others. He communicated this to Gregory de Cassalis, and they wrote back to Croke jointly. Would not have known what hindrance they caused, if Francis had not sent for him, and, full of fear, asked him to return his bond, and take back the money, saying that the ambassador had asked him to write for the King, which he said he refused. Does not know whether he did so, but the ambassador tried to persuade Croke not to press for an answer, for the Senate might refuse permission, as he said he had heard from his friends, and every one would then refuse to serve the King. Marinus said also that he had been warned by many Venetian nobles and chief men not to meddle with this cause, for the Signory would be much displeased with any one who assisted the King. He besought Croke to return the bond, promising to do much more when the Senate had once granted permission to speak freely. If these complaints are true, how secretly must the ambassador have managed the King's business? Any one can see his falseness. The friar put no faith in Croke's promise of secresy, and said that if he did not return the bond he would deny that it was his. Considered therefore that his bond would be the best proof to the King that many would support him, if they had no fears. Thought it best to keep this pledge of his fidelity, and replied that he could not return it without great danger to himself; for he had a commission to engage all the persons he could, but not to set any free. After communication with the bishop of Worcester, he put confidence in Croke, and entrusted everything to Herwell to be sent to the King. "Est autem iste hic et pro se et pro Farniano illo." Wishes the Cassali (*isti*) were as diligent in obtaining new persons as in soliciting those already obtained. This Easter the Prothonotary went to Omnibonus, the prior of the Dominicans, and obtained from him a conclusion, not of much profit. The bishop of Worcester wrote that Gregory de Cassalis asked of him 50 crowns he had left with Crucinus * * * Why then should Cassale wish to pay him 50 gold pieces, when he is already so well paid, unless he wishes to spend the King's money uselessly, and cheat the industry of others? To deceive his hopes sends a long work by Crucinus, formerly sent to Francis. Sends also a copy of the *formula* of Crucinus, of which he keeps the autograph, signed and sealed by seven doctors. If Francis were here, would send the writings of two noted theologians against the King, which he has obtained through Crucinus. Sees much fraud everywhere. If he had funds, or could go where he pleased, his diligence would be much more profitable to the King. Despairs of obtaining admission to the library at Rome; for Alexander, the keeper of it, is the King's most bitter enemy. Can purchase for 60 gold pieces one of the oldest books of the Greek *Nomocanones* and the letters of Basil, but he waits for the King's orders. 23 April.

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24 April. **6355.** The EARL OF WILTSHIRE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St.P. VII. 234.

By the Almoner, who now goes to you, you will know how stiffly the Emperor is set against your cause. He is much guided by the Chancellor, who affirms that the greatest number of divines is against you; and his ambassador in England is led the same way. The Pope is governed by the Emperor, and the Italian divines will support his authority. They are dissatisfied with the Emperor's conduct in Italy, for he has pleased his enemies, and done nothing for his friends. There is great dissension between the Spaniards and the Almains. If the Emperor should fall out with the French king, I think the former would seek to you. When I go to France I shall learn more. I keep with me Alexander, the messenger. Lyons, morrow of St. George's Day.

Hol. Add. Endd.

26 April. **6356.** PARLIAMENT.

S. B.

Authority to Sir Tho. More, chancellor, Robert earl of Sussex, and Cuthbert bishop of Durham, to prorogue the Parliament from this present day, Tuesday,* to the 22nd of June next, on account of the pestilence in London and its suburbs. *Del.* Westm., 26 April 22 Hen.VIII.

26 April. **6357.** DENIS HARRYS, of London, Merchant.

Rym.XIV. 389. P.S.

To be master, governor, protector, or consul of all merchants, subjects of the King, frequenting the island or city of Candye. Windsor, 20 April 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 26 April 22 Hen.VIII.

Pat. 22 Hen.VIII. p. 2, m. 19.

27 April. **6358.** FRANCIS I. to GILLES DE LA POMMERAYE.

MS. Bibl. Nat. 3,094, f. 11.

The affair of the princess De la Roche sur Yon ought not to stop the delivery of my children. Gives him instructions with regard to the 32,000 fl. due to the king of England. Has done nothing to prevent the advocates of the queen of England obtaining the opinion of the university of Paris, and has summoned the president of Paris to appear before him to inquire into the circumstance. Will investigate the affair at Hédin. Angoulême, 27 April 1530.

Fr. From a transcript.

28 April. **6359.** RODRIGO NIÑO to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 391. B. M.

Has had audience of the Doge and Senate on the 19th, about the affair of the queen of England; and they all disapprove of the King's intention, and will not authorize its being brought before the university of Padua. * * * Venice, 28 April 1530.

Sp., modern copy, pp. 7.

28 April. **6360.** FRANCIS CRUCINUS to ———.

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Commences with a string of biblical quotations concerning kings. Does not think that kings ought to be judged without being heard. Knows but little of the case. The King's cause runs upon this rock, that it seems to be impossible to have legitimate children when he makes this complaint. The contention about his heir is known, perhaps, only to God, and to him to whom he has revealed it. It is a Divine judgment. The King, and his kingdom too, are brought into great danger. On one side, an unhallowed

* The 26th of April fell on a Tuesday in 1530.

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connection; on the other, the weakening of leagues sought to be made with other Christian princes by marriage, under papal authority. The latter is of great moment, now that Christendom is so disturbed by wars and heresies. God acts and judges while men are disputing about his judgments. Fears that while men sincerely and purely wish to retract the dispensation, sin may be increased by withdrawing the shield of dispensation, and the Divine judgment provoked. Milan, 28 April 1530.

Lat., pp. 3. *Copy by Croke. Endd.:* "Copia literæ Crucini ex quibus constat scandalose apertam regis causam Crucino."

28 April. R. O. **6361.** JOHN COOKE to SIR JOHN RUSSELL.

Thanks him for his letters and other kindnesses. Will do all he can for the bearer, Mr. Bowreman, Russell's brother, and will give him exemplification, under my Lord's seal, of the registers touching the church of Broke. Advises him to write to my Lord to ask him to settle the variance between the parson of Freshwater, the parson of Broke, and Mr. Bowreman, and he can say that the matter was begun under the late bishop of Winchester, and that Cooke, having been registrar, can give information about it. London, 28 April.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

April. R.MS. 7 F.XIV. No. 27. B. M. **6362.** CARDINALS.

List of all Cardinals living in April 1530.

Florentines:—J. Anconitanus,† J. Antonius de Monte,† L. Sanctorum Quatuor,† L. Rodulphus,† L. Salviatus, C. Gadi,† C. Medicis, C. Rhavenna.†

Genoese:—L. Cibo,† C. Spinola,† C. Grimaldus, C. Auria.

Romans:—A. Fernesius,† L. Cesis,† L. Ægidius,† L. de Valle, L. Cæsarinus, L. Trani,† L. Colonna, L. Ursinus.†

Neapolitans:—L. Gayetanus, C. Neapolis, C. S. Severinus,† C. Mathera.

Venetians:—L. Pisanus,† C. Grimanus.†

Piedmontese:—C. Gattinaria, L. Ivrea.†

Bolognese:—L. Campegius.

Siennese:—L. Picolominus.

Milanese:—L. Trivultius.†

C. Mantua,† the brother of the Marquis.

32, all Italian.

French:—L. Lorraine,† J. Aux,† L. Bourbon,† C. the Chancellor,† C. Bourges.†

Spanish:—C. Sancta Crux, C. the Emperor's Confessor, L. Portugalia.

English:—L. York.†

Flemings: L. Liège, L. Toledo, Ad. Drincfort, C. Moriana.

Germans:—J. Corcensis, C. Trent, L. Mayence, L. Cologne.

17 of different nations.

"Summa, XLV[IIII], quorum XXV. † signati te[nent cum] Chr^mo et Ser^mo regibus.

"Decedente Juli[o] . . . . . anni MD.[XIII.] . . . . . omnium nat[ionum] . . . . . .

"Leo successor qui obiit in mense Decembris a Nativitate MD.[XXI.] . . . creavit cardinales numero . . . . . .

"Adrianus successor qui obiit in [mense Septembris] MD.XXIII. solum creavit C[ardinalem] . . . .

"Clemens modernus Pontifex hu[cus]que in . . . . . præsentem mensis Aprilis MD.XXX. a Nativitate, creavit cardinales numero . . . . . .

"Summa, cardinales, numero, L . . . . .

"Ex quibus superstites modo sunt . . . . . .

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"De Adriano vero Cornetano cardinale, per L[e]one[m] deposito adhuc incertum est, quid sit. Unum tamen est, quod in seculo non reperitur."

Of the above cardinals, those created by Alexander VI. are marked with an initial A.; those created by Julius II., with J.; and those created by Leo. X., with L.

Endd. Vannes' hand.

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1. Geo. Neville lord Bergevenny. Grant, in fee, (in consideration of 1,000 marks paid to Sir Brian Tuke, treasurer of the Chamber, and of 1,000 marks to be paid, 3 March next, on account of a recognisance dated 27 Feb. 13 Hen. VIII.) of the manor of Byrlyng, and lands and rents in Byrlyng, Ryarsshe, and Adyngton, Kent, the advowson of Byrlyng church, all lands imparked in the parks of Byrlyng, the lands there late of Robt. abbot of St. Saviour's, Bermondsey, the rectory of All Saints, Byrlyng, the lands there late of Sir Matthew Browne, except the lands of Reginald Pekham, jun., and Sir Rob. Wotton; all which lord Bergevenny bargained and sold to the King by indenture, dated 27 Feb. 13 Hen. VIII., and which came to the King's hand by reason of the recognisance made by him and Mary his wife, Sir Thos. Nevile and Katharine his wife, and Sir Edw. Nevile and Eleanor his wife, and by reason that Sir Tho. More, Tho. card. of York, Ric. Lyster, chief baron of the Exchequer, and Ric. Weston, under-treasurer, by their charter dated 28 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. demised and confirmed the premises to the King. *Del.* Westm., 1 April 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

4. Ric. Raynshawe, yeoman of the guard. Lease of the manor of Pratis *alias* Pray, Herts, and 6 messuages, 2 cottages, 100 acres of land, and 100 acres of wood in Pratis, with the fair there, which have escheated to the King by the dissolution of the monastery or priory of St. Mary de Pratis; for 30 years, at the annual rent of 7*l.* Windsor Castle, 19 March 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 April.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 33.]

5. William Barlee, bachelor in the decrees. Presentation to the canonry or prebend in the collegiate church of Bridgenorth, Salop, *vice* Robt. Paunsunte, resigned. Westm., 5 April.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

5. Sir Wm. Gascoigne and Edmund Copindale. Presentation to the mastership of the college of Lowthorp, York, now void, and at the King's disposal by the minority of Francis Huthum. The Moore, 5 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 5 April.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 33.

6. Sir Rob. Brudenell. Licence to alienate the manor of Arley, Staff., to Ric. Littelton, Rob. Wynter, Tho. Asteley, Eustace Broun, Anthony Litelton, Christ. Westcot, John Lytelton, clk., Ric. Sheldon, Roger Rydell, and Robt. Middelmore, to hold to John Lytelton and his heirs for ever. Westm., 6 April.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

6. John Hikling, yeoman of the guard. To be bailiff of the lordship of Multon, Northt., and keeper of the warren there, in the King's hands by the death of Leonard Slade; with 1*d.* a day as bailiff, and 40*s.* a year as keeper of the warren. Le More, 30 March 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 6 April.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 33.

6. John Johnson. Presentation to the parish church of Chepingongre, London dioc., void by death, and in the King's hands by the attainder of Edw. duke of Buckingham. Windsor Castle, 8 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 (*sic*) April.—*Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 34.

8. William Moreton, groom of the chamber. To be bailiff of the lordship of Harrold, Beds., and keeper of the park there; in the King's hands by reason of the nonage of Peter, s. and h. of Sir Wm. Compton, deceased. Windsor Castle, 28 March 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 8 April.—P.S.

8. Gerald Fitzgerald, earl of Kildare. General pardon. *Del.* Chelsehithe, 8 April 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

11. Nich. Calcott, merchant *alias* merchant adventurer of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Rob. Wingfield. Windsor Castle, 8 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 11 April.—P.S.

13. John Baldwyn. To be attorney-general of Wales and its marches, and of the county palatine of Chester and Flint, *vice* William Ruddall. *Del.* Westm., 13 April 21 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 35.—*Vacated on surrender* 24 *Hen. VIII., in order that the said office might be granted to Richard Riche.*

16. George Cotton. To be keeper of Geddington Woods, Northt., with 3*d.* a day, *vice* William Woodforde. Windsor Castle, 13 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Windsor, 16 April.—P.S.

16. Wm. Jenons *alias* Jenyns, draper, of Coventry. Exemption from being made mayor, sheriff, &c. of the city of Coventry, or of any county, town, or borough in England. Westm., 16 April.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

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20. Sir Ric. Warde, priest. To have the pension which the abbot of the monastery of Hyde, Southampton, is bound to give to a clerk of the King's nomination till he be promoted to a competent benefice. York Place, 18 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Windsor, 20 April.—P.S.

20. Giles Churchehyll, "gromettus balistorum." Custody of Totenham wood, Middx., parcel of the manor of Totenham, with all interest therein belonging to the Crown, during the minority of Peter, s. and h. of Sir William Compton; of which manor Sir Ric. Broke, chief baron of the Exchequer, Wm. Dyngley, and John Dyngley, now surviving, with others deceased, were seized to the use of the said William and his heirs; with licence to the said Giles to cut down the underwood growing upon 12 acres of the said wood; at the rent of as many pheasants and partridges and other fowl as he can take yearly. Windsor Castle, 16 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Windsor, 20 April.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 32.

20. Henry Conwey, one of the clerks of the Signet. To have the pension which the abbot of the monastery of St. Benett's, Norf., is bound to give to a clerk of the King's nomination till he be promoted to a competent benefice. Windsor Castle, 13 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 April.—P.S.

20. Hugh Davy, yeoman of the guard. To have the fee of the Crown of 6*d.* a day, *vice* Hugh Dye, deceased. Windsor Castle, 10 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Windsor, 20 April.—P.S.

UNDATED, 21 HEN. VIII.

Sir Wm. Askugh. Custody of possessions in Graynesby and Grymsby, Linc., late of Robt. Vicars, deceased, who held of John Barkley, a ward of the King's; during the minority of Wm. s. and h. of the said Robt. —S.B. *Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 1.

Sir Edward Beynton. Grant, in tail male, of a messuage, 12 acres of land, 16 acres of meadow, 80 acres of pasture, and 6 acres of wood in Cawlne, Wilts, parcel of the manor of Chiriell, parcel of Warwick's lands, now held by Hen. Persons.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 7.

John Lambert, hosier, of London, native of Valenciennes, in Hennago. Denization. —S.B. *Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

John Rydley, parson of the parish church of Chilton Folyot, Salisb. dioc. Presentation to the vicarage of Hautwysell, Durham dioc., *vice* Thos. Balgay, who exchanges.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

Sir Robt. Ughtred of Kexby, York, *alias* of London. Pardon.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

York: Commission to Edmund Gower, Ralph Pulleyn, and Lancelot Stapulton, to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of Robt. Conyers, "super Wiske."—*Vacated.* —*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19*d.*

York: Sir Ric. Tempest, Sir Wm. Middelton, Roger Lassels, Wm. Legh, Tho. Strey, and Walt. Bradford. Commission to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of lady Elizabeth Legh, wife of Edward Redmayn.—*Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 19*d.*

22 HEN. VIII.

22. Tho. Hall. Grant of the manor of Bournehall, in Wherstead, Suff., and all messuages, &c. thereto belonging, with reservations of the advowsons of the churches or rectories of St. Peter, St. Nicholas, St. Mary ad Clavem, and St. Clement, in Ipswich, Suff., and all lands, &c. in the town of Ipswich, which came to the King's hands by the attainder of Tho. cardinal archbishop of York. Greenwich, 21 April 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 22 April, "anno subscripto." —P.S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 25.

22. Rob. Byrte, chaplain, To be warden of St. Michael's hospital, Warwick, and governor of the "Lazar-houses" there. Greenwich, 19 April 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 22 April.—P.S.

25. Mariona Turren', late of Seynte Omers, in Artoys, *alias* of Graves Ende, Kent. Pardon for having stolen a goblet belonging to Christ. Clerk, of Gravesende. Windsor, 18 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 25 April 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

25. John Cooke, merchant tailor, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Rob. Wingfelde. Windsor, 25 April 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

25. Rob. Herde, haberdasher, of London. Licence to export 120 quarters of beans. Windsor, 21 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 25 April 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

28. Sir Mathew Broune. Licence to alienate the manor of Wycam Breux, Kent, and the advowson of the parish church there, to Lucy Broune, widow of Sir Ant. Broune, and the heirs male of the said Sir Ant. and Lucy. Westm., 28 April.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 3.

29. Tho. Vicarie. To be serjeant of the King's surgeons, and chief surgeon to the King, with allowances both "le bouge the Courte" of the King's household, and of wine, &c. for cures; which office of serjeant was granted by patent 6 Aug. 5 Hen. VIII. to Marcellus de la More, chief surgeon to the King. Also grant, in reversion, to the said Tho. of the annuity of 40 marks which was granted to the said Marcellus by patent 3 Nov. 7 Hen. VIII., to hold from the time when the said office shall be vacant. Windsor, 20 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 April 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 23.

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29. Hen. marquis of Exeter, and his heirs. Grant of the manors of Edelmeton *alias* Saysbury, and Dyphams, with the lands, tenements, &c., called Claverynges, in Edelmeton, Midd., also the manors of Swalclyf and Covelehall, and all messuages, &c. in Woxbregge, Midd., and lands, &c. called Hersies, Little Helyndon, and Gre[at] Helyndon, in Helyndon, Midd., on surrender of patent 17 Nov. 13 Hen. VIII., granting the premises to the said Hen., by the name of Sir Hen. Courteney, in reversion. Windsor Castle, 20 April 21 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 29 April 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 1.

29. Rob. Bowes of South Coulton, York. Custody of the possessions of Ralph Swynhoo, of Rokke, Northb., deceased, who held of Tho. cardinal archbishop of Durham, as of his bishopric of Durham, during the minority of John, s. and h. of the said Ralph; with the wardship of the said heir. Also custody of the possessions of Wm. White, of Rodelinghe, in the bishopric of Durham, who held as above, during the minority of Ant. Whyte, s. and h. of the said Wm., with the wardship of the said Ant. The More, 27 April 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 April.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 19.

30. Tho. Treheron. To be Nottingham pursuivant with the King's son, Hen. duke of Richmond and Somerset, and earl of Nottingham, with an annuity of 10*l.*, *vice* Ric. Croke, deceased. Windsor, 16 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 30 April 22 Hen.VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 23.

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3 May.

Add. MS. 25,114, f. 30.

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6364. The DUKE OF CLEVES.

"Pro Serenissima Regia Majestate Angliæ instructio Hermanni Rinckes, equitis aurati, consiliarii C. M^tis^."

1. Recommends the King to strengthen himself by a matrimonial alliance with some prince of these parts in case of war with France, Spain, or Burgundy. 2. Urges especially an alliance with the duke of Cleves, who possesses three most powerful duchies and two earldoms, and many towns not only strong but populous. If England were in danger he could alone raise an army sufficient to defend it; and he is descended from the same stock as the kings of England, as will be shown by a genealogy. 3. The Duke has but one son, though he has three daughters. His son is fifteen years old, of middle height, brown complexion, sound in body and limbs, well learned, and speaks Latin and French. His name is William, undoubted heir of the duchies of Cleves, Juliers, and Berg (Montensis), the earldoms of March and Ravenspurg. By the death of Philip de Cleve, who died in Brabant without children, he came into possession of the lordship of Ravenstein, and lands to the value of 20,000 florins. The rest of the duchy, though partly mortgaged, produces ample rents. If freed from incumbrance, which could be easily done, it would yield 340,000 g. fl. 4. The eldest sister, Maria, is married to John Frederic, only son of John duke of Saxony, who, in wealth and power, has scarce an equal among the German princes. Allied with him are the principality of Hesse, the dukes of Pomerania, Mecklenburg, Lunenburg, Prussia, and Holsatia, who is now elected king of Denmark, with the Hans Towns of the Northern Ocean. The second sister is affianced (*desponsata*) to a son of Anthony duke of Lorraine, Calabria and Bari. He will be heir of these duchies and of the marquisates of Pontis Mosoni (Pont-à-Mouson), of the earldom of Vaidemont, and of the province of Narbonne. There is said to be an article in the marriage treaty, that on the death of the duke of Gueldres that duchy should devolve upon the aforesaid son of Lorraine, notwithstanding the opposition of the house of Burgundy. A third sister is in her minority, and not yet affianced. A table follows showing how a son of the duke of Cleves is sprung of royal and imperial blood, on the father's side and on the mother's, with some remarks on their genealogies.

Signed: "Per me Hermanum Ringk manu propria scriptum anno 1530, tercio die Maij."

Lat., pp. 3.

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3 May. **6365.** [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Vit. B. XIII. 75 b. B. M.

Cannot write much, on account of his recent recovery from illness. Has received a catalogue of names which Ghinucci's nephew Andrew says his uncle received from Gregory de Cassalis. The names are partly those sent to Croke by Crucinus, and partly fictitious, which is probably a deceit either of Andrew or Cassalis. Received, the day after, from the Prothonotary, a list in his brother's hand, omitting many of the fictitious names. Asks him to send the names of those whom he has procured, and Croke will do the like by the first messenger, lest money should be wasted by engaging the same man twice. Wonders that he should have written to the Prothonotary to engage John Francis Marinus, whom Croke has already engaged, and wonders still more at his writing that Croke does not wish what he writes to him to be communicated to any one, especially as he desired Croke to communicate with the Cassalis. Has no orders to communicate with any one but Ghinucci. Thanks him for his servant Remigius. Has now found an Englishman who knows Italian well, and therefore sends back Remigius. Venice, 3 May.

Hol., draft, Lat., p. 1.

4 May. **6366.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to HENRY VIII.

R. O.

Has endeavored to bring over the most celebrated theologians to their views, to write in the King's behalf, and secured the following:—Mr. Chrysostom, inquisitor of St. Dominic, the minister of the Franciscan province of Bologna, Lorenzo, professor of theology in the same, and others of the Servites. The Emperor's confessor, lately created a cardinal, has given them great trouble, as the King will hear from Guron. Expects several lawyers will follow their example. Will stay at Bologna six days; thence to various places, to secure advocates for the King. Bologna, 4 May 1530. *Signed.*

Lat., pp. 2. *Add. Endd. by Wriothesley.*

4 May. **6367.** HENRY VIII. to the VICE-CHANCELLOR OF CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

Lamb's Cambridge Docts., 26. Cooper's Annals of Cambridge, I. 342.

Desires him to appoint twelve of the best learned men in divinity in the university of Cambridge to meet a like number from the university of Oxford, at London, on Tuesday next at night, to examine certain English books commonly read among the people, containing erroneous and pestiferous words, sentences and conclusions, which might pervert their judgments, and occasion division and contention in the chief points and articles of our faith and religion, whereon is like to ensue, unless it be repressed, the dissolution of our commonwealth. Enfield, 4 May 1530, Wednesday.

"The names of them which I did appoint:—Dr. Watson, Dr. Wygan, Dr. Crome, Dr. Downes, Mr. Shaxton, Mr. Latymer, Mr. Thyxtell, Mr. Hutton, Mr. Tylson, Mr. Skyppes, Mr. Hethe, Mr. Bayne."

Lamb's Cambridge Documents, p. 20.

2. "The forme of the grace which was axed and graunted in the accomplyshemente of the Kynges requeste."

The copy in Lamb is not verbally identical with that in Burnet, nor are all the names the same.

5 May. **6368.** CROMWELL to WOLSEY.

R. O. St. P. I. 361.

According to his request for the treasurership of York, has solicited the King and Dr. Leighton. They are content to leave it in your hands, provided you follow the tenor of the King's letters soon to be directed to you, and your Chancellor do the same without any delay. St. James's, Westminster, 5 May.

Copy in Wriothesley's hand.

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7 May. **6369.** CHARLES V. to MAY.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 9. B. M.

Sends copies of letters from his ambassador in France touching the matter of the queen of England, and of letters written to him by a master in theology at Paris, called Garay. May will thus see what requires to be done for the Queen's rights. Has written to his ambassador to use all urgency with the French king to obtain the signatures which the said Garay writes that he had obtained in the Queen's favor; but you must remember that it will be a dangerous thing to agree with the opinion of the divines of the said faculty of Paris, considering the intrigues of the king of England, and the favor with which he is there regarded. You shall, therefore, tell his Holiness that we have heard from our ambassador that his nuncio in France is doing all he can in behalf of the Pope and the Emperor. So that his Holiness may write to the nuncio that he is informed thereof, and our ambassador will be able to act at more advantage. Innspruck, 7 May 1530.

P.S.— * * Since writing, the English ambassador has desired leave to return to Rome on the business of the divorce, saying that he has instructions to that effect. A gentleman who has come here to reside as his ambassador says that although his instructions are general to go to Rome on the said business, nevertheless he believes it will be to proceed in the cause, and that the bishop of London also returned from Lyons to Rome to see to it. You must consult with the Queen's council what is to be done about this, and not regard what the English ambassador tells you. No more time must be lost, for the month's respite which was lately taken is already past. The ambassador says he will go with his household to Trent, and there take post for Rome.

Sp., pp. 4, *modern copy from Simancas.*

7 May. **6370.** FRANCIS I. to the FACULTY OF THEOLOGY AT ANGERS.

Le Grand, III. 507.

Desires their opinion, signed and sealed by their registrar, on a scruple of conscience of king Henry VIII. for having married one whom he fears he cannot keep as his lawful wife. Angoulême, 30 April 1530.

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ii. Opinion of the university that marriage with a brother's widow is not repugnant to natural or divine law, and that the Pope was entitled to grant dispensation in such a case. Angers, 7 May 1530.

Lat.

iii. Certificate attached to the copy of the preceding. Angers, 23 Sept. 1687.

Fr.

7 May. **6371.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 391.

Determination of the university of Angers on the nullity of Papal dispensations. Angers, 7 May 1530.

Lat., vellum.

8 May. **6372.** THE DIVORCE.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 14. B. M.

"Frater Anselmus Vochterinus, de validitate matrimonii Henrici VIII., regis Angliæ, cum Catherina regina."

Recites the usual arguments against the validity of the marriage, which were shown him by friar Francis Zorsi (Georgius), in his own hand, at the house of a nobleman, not an Italian, whom he called "dominus Ricardus."* Only looked through the conclusions once, as they snatched the paper from his

* Croke.

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hands, suspecting him. Dominus Ricardus offered him 50 ducats to annotate the writings in his own hand; but he, having thrice written for the faith of Christ and the Church of Rome, refused. Saw many signatures, some quite fresh.

If the Church bids him, will disprove these conclusions by the authority of Scripture, not by that of learned men; as he did in writing against the Lutherans. Saw these writings on 4 May 1530. Wrote this on the 8th, at the desire of Jerome Scledeo, bishop of Vaison, nuncio with the Emperor. *Signed:* Frater Anselmus Vochturinus, Augustinianus, Vicentinus.

ii. Revocation by John Peter, of Vicenza, friar minor, S.T.P., addressed to the cardinal bishop of Vaison, of his subscription given in the King's favor at Vicenza on 7 April 1530, in the cause of the divorce. Vicenza, 8 May 1530.

Lat., pp. 11, *modern copy from Simancas.*

9 [May.] **6373.** [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Vit. B. XIII. 76. B. M.

Has endured much from Remigius, but has dissembled "ne . . . . . indicare tibi."

An Englishman, well skilled in Italian, came to him, and he therefore dismissed Remigius, knowing that he had often betrayed secrets, and spoken against Croke. Hopes he has not told untruths to Ghinucci. Gave him as reward for his labor about 7 cr., which he refused, saying that giving him money was an insult to his master. Before going, he complained to Antony that Croke had scarcely given him enough to go to Rome, and had treated him like a dog. When Croke was absent or ill, the same table was prepared for him as for Croke. He called Croke comrade, and treated him more like a master. He persuaded Antony to write and tell him whatever Croke did, said or attempted, saying that it would please Ghinucci. He took letters for Ghinucci to the house of Horatio, and warned Antony not to write in Croke's house. For all this he showed Croke his master's letters, charging him to attend to him diligently. Did not wish to mention his conduct, for fear of injuring him. Now that he is neither faithful to Ghinucci nor Croke, thought it best not to keep silence. He has boasted of his conduct to a man whom he considered true to him. He has treated Croke insultingly before others, and called him a fool. Doubts not that he has been the cause of Ghinucci's suspicion. Venice, 9 [May].*

"Quæcumque commemorat dominus meus Crocus . . . . . Remigium et coram me fecisse verissima su[nt] . . . . . omnia ignoro.

"Per me . . . . . ."

Lat., hol., draft, p. 1, *mutilated.*

10 May. **6374.** AUGUSTINO AUGUSTINI to CROMWELL.

R. O.

By your servant I learned that my letters patents have been perfected in the Chancery, which was very satisfactory to me. If I was obliged to you before on many accounts, I shall now be still more indebted to you, while I live, for this great benefit. I am persuaded that no man in the world except you would have conducted such an affair with success, so that I shall ever be at your service. For the present I pray you, as your health (*forze*) is feeble, to be of good cheer. As for the fees (*spesa*), although "*Monsignor Reverendissimo*"† expresses astonishment, and says that such great charges were never made in his time, nevertheless I am willing to conform to your pleasure and bill of costs (*informatione*). As I am now not so well provided with money as I could wish, I pray you cause them (the letters patent) to be kept in a safe place till I come thither, or send my servant for them with the

* Supplied from modern marginal note. † Wolsey.

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AUGUSTINO AUGUSTINI to CROMWELL—*cont.*

money. Commend me to Antonio Bonvisi and our other common friends. Suthwell (?), 10 May 1530.

With regard to paying the third part of my goods, I protest my debts exceed my capital.

Hol., Ital., p. 1. *Add.:* Mag^co M. Thomæ Crumwell, majori meo plurimum observando. *Sealed.*

6375. [CROKE'S EXPENCES.]

Vit. B. XIII. 2. B. M.

Item, for passage . . . . . At Calais for horse, at Boulogne, Montreuil, Veron, Abbeville, Flixecourt, Amiens, Flers, Breteuil, St. Just, Clermont, St. Clau, Luzarches, Sarcelles, Paris, "Essone," Corbeil, Milly, St. Mathurin, Pont Agasson, Montargis, and Chatillon.

Albany and Chandoyse had taken up all the horse, so t[hat] we could have had no horse in 3 days, only we had the hast . . . . . At Ouzouer, "Neffwyll" (Villeneuve), Pouilly, la Charité, Germigny sur Loire, Nevers, St. Pierre le Moutier, Villeneuve, Moulins, Bessey, Varenne, la Palisse.

The bishop of St. Andrew's had taken up horse toward the French court, and Albert de Gathon, the other way, going to discharge the marquis of Saluzzo from his fealty to the French king, and also to make . . . . . off the county of Ast to the Emperor. (*The entries of money spent at each town have been lost by mutilation.*)

At La Pacaudiere, Roanne, St. Symphorien, Tarare, l'Arbresle, and Lyons, 45 sous at each place. Total, 14*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.*

From Lyons to Rome are 85 posts, at 20 of which he must pay 3 fr. 4 sous for 4 horses. Total, 60 fr. 80*s.* = 7*l.* 2*s.* 3*d.* st.

For the other 65 posts he must pay 1 fr. for each horse, and 4 sous for the guide, 273 fr. = 30*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* The loss in his 100 ducats is 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* To the courier, 30 cr. = 6*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* For his safe-conduct, 10 sous = 13*d.* st.

Sums paid for horses and guides from Lyons to Bologna. At Lyons, 84 sous. "Monloyr," 64*s.* Gardant, 64*s.* The ferry, 6*s.* Seriera, 64*s.* Pont Champagne, 64*s.* St. Jenyn, 64*s.* The ferry over the Rhone, 8*s.* Lupyne, 64*s.* Chambery, 64*s.* Montmelian, 64*s.* . . . . . we had horse that would not go, and tarried half a day . . . . . could have the . . . . . 64*s.* . . . . . 64*s.* At La Chambre . . . . . St. Zevyns, LX . . . Ponte Sept, LXI . . St. Andrew's, LXII . . Anzetium 64[*s.*] "Here" (hire?) for sleds to slide down the hills overfrozen with ice . . . . . Lans le Bourg, 64*s.* For 3 men on foot to stay us and our horse up and down Mont Synay (Cenis), X . . . At Tavernate, 64. Novalese, 64. St. George, 64. St. Ambrose, 64. Rivoli, LXXXIII . . . Turin 64. Moncaglieri, LXXXII . . . Lumbriasco, 84. The ferry, 6. Savigliano, 84. The ferry, 6. La Trinite, 84. The ferry, 5. Molasano, 84. Zeresa, 84. Calculi (Carchere), 84.

At Savona, would have paid a crown for each horse, but were obliged to hire a bark for 4 cr., bargaining with the patron that he should go by shore, and land them at Genoa, whatever weather happened; but he took them 9 miles, and refused to go further until the weather changed. Went the next post on foot, carrying their gear on their necks, and lost . . . . . At Varazze, were again destitute of horse one day; and thence to Parma were obliged to pay a cr. for each horse.

. . . . . 4 cr. 4 sous. [Bro]ke my arm with a fall off my mare . . . . . na were without horses two days, as Count Flisco went in post to [the Emper]owr from Genoa with 18 horses, 4 cr. 4*s.* . . . [B]oliasco . . 4 cr. 4*s.* Recco, 4 cr. 4*s.* Rapallo, 4 cr. 4*s.* . . . . lestria, 4 cr. 4*s.* Hence to Varose, rode most of the night on the mountain, and by force of . . . . . er and rising of the waters, were fain to . . . . . upon the tops of the mountain an old chapel . . . . full of water, continuing therein 3 hours . . . . . then passed over the river into a poor man's . . . . . finding it full of landsknights and there . . . . s at ease therefore than upon the mountains. At Varose, 4 cr. 5*s.* Ford over the rivers, 5*s.* . . . . . burg, (Borgotaro?), 4 cr. 4*s.* Abredce (Bercetto?),

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4 cr. 4*s*. Tarens, 4 cr. 4*s*. Fornuovo, 4 cr. 4*s*. Parma, 84*s*. Destitute of horse one day. Mazana, 84*s*. Reggio, 84*s*. Destitute of horse half a day. Modena, 84*s*. Destitute of horse half a day. Castelfranco, 84*s*. Destitute of horses from 8 a.m. till 1 a.m. [Anz]ola, 84*s*. . . . . to the courier, 30 cr.

From Bologna to Corticella, Bentivola, Malehelberga, Turre de la Fossa, Ferrara, by carriage, Francolino, Caninovo, Capos, Corbula, Loredi, Turnova, Chiodi (Chioggia ?), Malemogcha (Malamocco), Venice, Padua. (*The sums of money lost by mutilation.*)

Venice, Jan. 10, to the keeper of St. John's and St. Paul's library . . . . At Padua to the keepers of St. Justine's and St. John's library . . . . To the keepers of St. Francis' library in Venice . . . . To two Jews, for coming home to you daily and writing . . . . . For Greek books . . . . . To the doctor of Servites, ij. . . . . To the Friars Observants . . . . To a Servite friar when he subscribed, 8 Feb. . . . . To a Jew when he subscribed . . . . To a man who carried letters from Bologna, 4 Feb. . . . . To a man who brought letters from Bologna, 6 Feb. . . . . For a bark to the Jews, ... For the book of the second volume, ... To three scribes . . . . "Carta pro nobis . . . ." Feb. 13, [to Ba]rtholomew, for writing the epistle, ½ cr. The bookbinder, for father Francis' books, 1 cr. 4 "marcelli." Feb. 16, to the doctor Philippus de Cremis, 10 cr. To a Greek priest, for writing an epistle, 1 cr. To the prior of St. John and St. Paul, for writing for the cause, and for procuring others to do so, 15 cr. Feb. 18, to Bartholomew, for writing the canons, 1 cr. Feb. 20, to Bartholomew, for writing the epistle of St. Basil, ½ cr. To the convent of SS. John and Paul, 4 cr. To Demetrius, for writing the Greek commentary on the Bible, 1 cr. 4 "marcelli." To Bartholomew, for writing the Greek councils, 2 cr. To friar Bernabo, the librarian of SS. John and Paul, 3 cr. For a concordance and another book from a Jew, 2 cr. To Helias the Jew, for 3 copies, 4 cr. To a messenger who went to the bishop of Worcester at Bologna on 2 March, 5 cr. For the carriage of letters from Bologna, 1 March, 1 "marcellus." March 3, to Constantine, a Greek scribe, for writing the Commentaries to the Old Testament, 3 cr. To Bartholomew, a Greek scribe, ½ cr. March 12, to Constantine, the Greek scribe, 3 cr. To Demetrius, a Greek scribe, *pro charta*, 1 "marcellus." March 11, to notaries, for an instrument and for collation concerning the Greek canons, 2 cr. To Demetrius, for writing the Orations of Clement, 1 cr. 1 m. To Mark Raphael, a Hebrew, 5 ducats. To Demetrius, 1 cr. To John Maria, for the doctors of Milan and his costs, 30 cr. Carriage of letters from Milan, 4m. To Demetrius, the Greek scribe, 2 cr. For Greek books, 7 cr. To Bartholomew, for collating the Orations of Clement, 6 m. 7 April . . . . going from Venice, and returning from Padua, 2 cr. To John Marino, minister of the Order of the Minors, for the King's cause, 20 cr. . . . . o Nicolao Leonico, 5½ cr. . . . . it librum Crucini, 1 cr. . . . . poste, 2 cr. * * *

Richard Croke, by order of the bishop of Worcester, ... for Francis George, 50 cr. To friar Thomas, prior of SS. John and Paul, 15 cr. Among the convent, 4 cr. To D. Philip de Cremis, LL.D., 10 cr. Total, 79 cr. And crowns were given to friars Francis and Thomas to hire others. "Ita est Petrus de Ghinuciis." For a ship from Venice to Padua, ... For three horses from Padua to Vicenza and Verona and back . . . . For a ship from Padua to Venice . . . . To Bartholomew, for going to father Francis, ... To Demetrius, for writing canons, ... To Antony, for going to Padua, ... May 3, for a ship from Venice to Mergera (Malghera ?), ... A carriage thence to Treviso, and three horses to Asola, Vicenza, and Padua, and a ship back to Venice, ... 8 May, to Fr. Simon Arduus, master of theology, for the King's cause, ... To Philip, going to Redigo to father F. Marinus, and to the ambassador at Vicenza, for Stoxley's letters, ... A ship from Venice to Padua, ... For three horses thence to Vicenza to father Francis Gor . . . . Three horses to Assolo and back, and a ship back to Venice, ... To Philip, for going from Venice to * * *

Journey to Bologna from Venice, 10 May 1530.

To Padua, 1 cr. To Rovigo, four horses, 2 cr. To Ferrara, 2 cr. To Turre della Fossa, by ship, 1 cr. To Curticella, by ship, 4 cr. Godefrede, Malelberga, Bentivolio. For horses from Curticella to Bologna, ½ cr.

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Similar expences for the return to Venice.

To the master of the posts, 1 cr. To John Maria, going to the bishop of London at Bologna, 3 cr. To the messenger who went to Udina, 3 cr. To Antony, who went to Bologna, 3 cr. To father Thomas Omnibonus, 10 cr. To Leonicus for Simonetus, 10 cr. To the doctors, notaries, and scribes of Padua, 9 cr.

Part English and part Latin, pp. 8, *mutilated.*

Vit. B. XIV. 305 b. Records of the Reformation, II. 653.

2. * [From] Novalesia, over Monte Synay, for Maronys to lead my horse and make the ways, for deepness of the snow, 2 cr. From Laneburg to Termino, ½ cr. From Termino to Anzese, [½] cr. From Anzese to St. Michaell, ½ cr. From St. Michaell to St. John Maurinians, ½ cr. Over Gabella, 1 cr.

5½ cr. = 25*s.* 8*d.*

Vit. B. XIV. f. 304. B. M. Records of the Reformation, II. 652.

3. "Hic inferius scribam, ego Antonius de Monte Sancti Sa . . . . . et solutam a me pro equis et navibus et curribus, di . . . . . ."

To Porto Gruaro, Udine, S. Vidum, Aquileia, Venice, Padua, Leccefucina, Mestre, Francolina, Chioggia, &c. (*The sums lost by mutilation.*)

280 marcelli = 24 cr. = 5*l.* 12*s.*

Item, for guides Maronys over Mount Synay, to lead my horse and myself, 2 cr. From Laneburg to Termino, 5 marcelli. From Termino to Burght, 1 cr. From Termino to Anzeze, 1 cr. From Anzeze to St. Michael's, 1 cr.

Pp. 2. *The former page in Latin, and in a hand different from the latter.*

11 May. R. O.

6376. LORDS WESTMORELAND and DARCY.

Bond of 600*l.* given by Ralph earl of Westmoreland to Thos. lord Darcy, to save him harmless for six several obligations in which he stands bound with the Earl to Sir Thos. Nevill, Sir Brian Tuke, and Rob. Norwich, serjeant-at-the-law. 11 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Signed and sealed.*

12 May. R. O.

6377. W. TRESHAM to WOLSEY.

Desires God to prosper the Cardinal "to his high pleasure and your consolation." Delivered my book to the King at the More on 29 April. At the delivery I said I had a brief proposition in Latin, beseeching him to be gracious to the college; first, because it was begun by himself as chief benefactor; secondly, that the foundation was greatly to the honor of God and the good of the realm; thirdly, that the college was bound by oath to pray for him, with special dirges every week. I told him how you had ordered Mr. Champion, as soon as the matter came to your knowledge. He replied, "'Ee Mary! I warrant you, let my Lord alone with them; he will handle them well enough.' And when I said that your Grace had not utterly expelled the man, but that he should make special suit to his Highness, other else never to perceive any emolument of that college, and so by and by to be as a person expelled; very mercifully be answered, 'In case the man would reconcile himself effectuously, I would not have him utterly cast away.' Further, his Grace was very well pleased with the good letters the which your Grace sent to Oxford, touching the election of the proctors, rehearsing that ye sent him the copy of your letters; and was very glad of the amplitude of your freely granted power and authority upon the university." Fox was present.

Was sent up before my fellows, Mr. Sub-Dean and Mr. Leyghton, to speed a matter of Dr. Nicholas. He had begged of the King "whitze copies (copes) for the high days of Our Lady." The King said, "Alack! they are all disposed, and not one of them is left." On the King wishing me to wait till the coming of my fellows, Fox advised me not to make any more labour for the

* Not in Croke's hand.

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college unless I was sure of the King's pleasure; saying that the King's college of Cambridge lost a good part of their lands at the beginning, and yet is a very honorable college; and that, peradventure, in time to come, "the King would call your Grace near unto him." Mr. Sub-Dean and Mr. Leyghton arrived on the 5th. From want of friends we passed the time in attendance till the 11th, when Fox called in Leyghton only to exhibit his book to the King, adding that if we would make suit for the college, it would be best to get a proxy under the seal, and do everything by authority.

On delivering his book with letters supplicatory for the college, Mr. Leyghton besought the King to be gracious for Daventry and Caxby. He answered, that his Council showed him that none of our lands were assured to the college except by his suffrance; and when Leyghton alleged we were his faithful subjects, he said that divers of our house had opposed his matters at Oxford, only a few taking his part, and asked for Mr. Sub-Dean and myself. He then said we had better send for a proxy. What that means we cannot tell, unless that we should release some part of our college lands, which God forbid we should, except your Grace desire it. We shall send for no proxy till we hear from you.

There is a saying that the King will take in three lordships near Hunsdon, and recompense the owners partly with Ipswich and partly with our college lands. The Chancellor of the Duchy told us that the King intends to dispose of the spiritualties of Daventry in 14 days. We advise that a fee should be given to the Chancellor out of the revenues, to help us to conserve the same, or else that you should write to him. We three and nine others are appointed by the university to examine new heretical books, and decide whether it is necessary to have the Bible in English; so that we cannot so well attend to the college business. London, 12 May.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

12 May. Add. MS. 28,580, f. 29. B. M.

6378. Rodrigo Niño to Charles V.

Will gladly comply with the Emperor's instructions about the affair of the queen of England. Henry could not have behaved worse toward the Emperor in his conduct toward the Signory. I am assured that no opinion will be given in the university of Padua by the authority of the Signory. Seeing that this was decided, the English ambassador here has gone to Padua to take the private opinions of the principal doctors. On being informed of this, I spoke to the Vice-Doge (*Viso Duque*) in presence of the college, reminding them of the relation made by the prothonotary (Caracciolo) and myself of the justice of the Queen's cause, and advising them as their servant, and not as the Emperor's ambassador (for I had no commission on the subject), to send to the professors of the university, forbidding them to give any opinion in the matter without orders from the Signory.

This advice was accepted thankfully, and I was assured it should be followed.

The Emperor thinks the bishop of Quieta (Chieti) will do well to leave his retirement and go to England to exhort the King to desist from his error. Has strongly urged this course upon him, pointing out the arguments he might use from the example of kings who have ruined themselves and their kingdoms by less occasion, especially in England, and that he was more bound than any man in Christendom to take upon him this task, as he knew the Queen personally, and knew how little she merited such treatment;—moreover the King had sought his counsel about the matter, and it would be more acceptable to God to do what he could in this cause, than to remain in religious seclusion. Venice, 12 May 1530.

Spanish, pp. 5, *modern copy from Simancas.*

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12 May. **6379.** MAI to CHARLES V.
Add. MS. 28,580, f. 32. B. M.

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Has learned that the English have used great efforts in Venice to procure opinions in their favor. Has written to Rodrigo Niño for information. A courier arrived from England yesterday. I have sent your Majesty the substance of what the Queen and the ambassador have written me. Will endeavor to procure this brief which they ask for, that no one shall give counsel or speak in this article, except only what he thinks to be truth and justice, under grave censures.

Now that we know the difficulties, "que de alli mueven," I will draw up the case so that your Majesty may send to have opinions from your own kingdoms, where there are hosts of lawyers, as good or better than the English. Excuses his not having done it at Bologna, because, as he told the Comendador Major and Granvelle, he was waiting to learn the difficulties that the opposite party would make in the case, so as to meet the doubts which they expressed. Copies of these doubts may be sent into Castile, Arragon, Sicily, and Majorca, where there are many lawyers, and to Naples. Rome, 12 May 1530.

Sp., pp. 7, *modern copy from Simancas.*

12 May. **6380.** DE VAUX to the GRAND MASTER OF FRANCE.
Le Grand, III. 420.

This King, seeing the great delay and difficulties made to you by the Emperor's officers in the liberation of the children, about the quality and weight of the gold, &c., suspects these excuses are only made to put off their delivery till a time when it may suit the Emperor's convenience. London, 12 May 1530.

Ital. The original is addressed: Al Ill. et Ex. mio S. Osserv. el S. gran M. de Francia à Bayona.

12 May. **6381.** MARGARET COUNTESS OF SALISBURY.
R. O.

Receipt by Elinere Frankelyn, receiver general of the countess of Salisbury, of 20*l.* from Sir Geo. Lawson, in part payment for the revenues from Catrike and Aldburgh, in co. Richmond, 12 May 22 Hen. VIII.

12 May. **6382.** THOMAS DALBY.
R. O.

Writ to the sheriff of Yorkshire, not to suffer the executors of Thomas Dalby, archdeacon of Richmond, and one of the justices of the peace in co. Northumb., to meddle with his lands and chattels until the King wills otherwise, and to bring them before the barons of the Exchequer at Westminster within the quindene after Trinity Sunday, there to deliver, together with Thomas duke of Norfolk, Henry earl of Northumberland, Rob. Ogle lord Ogle, Sir Anth. Fitzherbert, Th. Fayrfax, serjeant-at-law, Thomas prior of Durham cathedral, Brian Higden, dean of York, Sir Wm. Parre, Sir Wm. Bulmer, Sir Geoff. Fuljame, Sir Th. Tempest, Wm. Frankleyn, clk., Sir Wm. Hilton, Sir Wm. Eure, Sir Wm. Heron, Ric. Page, Wm. Tate, clk., Wm. Luke, Rob. Bowes, Th. Horsseley, Geo. Swynborn, Leonel Grey, Rob. Claveryng, Rob. Colynwood of Esselyngton, Chris. Metford, Th. Strangways, and John Bentley, others of the justices aforesaid, all the extracts of his sessions during his justiciarship, in order that an execution may speedily be made for levying the moneys contained in the said extracts for the King's benefit. *Teste* Ric. Lyster, at Westminster, 12 May 22 Hen. VIII., in accordance with the Originalia Roll of 17 Hen. VIII., and the return to the writ in Hilary 20 Hen. VIII. respecting the said Thomas Dalby.

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13 May. **6383.** REGINALD POLE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. After having sealed his other letters to the King, was informed by Langeais of the arrival of a post with such letters from the French king to the university "as Mr. Welsborne, your Grace's orator, had written to be sent by the last post" from the French court. His doubts about their non-appearance are thus satisfied. Langeais says they are as effectually writ as could be for the King's purpose. The only delay now is owing to the absence of some doctors "chief of your Grace's parte," who are expected to return in five days. After their arrival, will inform the King of the speed made in publishing his cause. Paris, 13 May.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd. by Wriothesley.*

13 May. **6384.** SIR GEFFREY POOLE to the SCHOOLMASTER AT CHICHESTER.

R. O. Begs the loan of 6*l.* ster. till Mich. next. Sends a "gage" by Anthony Bramshott. 13 May 22 Hen. VIII.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my hearty beloved master Frynd, schoolmaster at Chichester.

14 May. **6385.** NIX BISHOP OF NORWICH to [NORFOLK ?]

Cleop. E. v. 360*. B. M. Is encumbered with those who read and keep these erroneous books in English, and believe and teach them. Has done what he could to suppress them; but it passes his power, or that of any spiritual man. Many in his diocese say openly that the King favors such books. Asked the abbot of Hide to show this to the King, and to ask him for letters ordering some one in the diocese to publish that he does not wish such books to be read, and also to punish those that say he does. Hopes the Abbot will have done so before this letter comes to hand. The Abbot has the names of some who crack in the King's name that their false opinions should go forth, and would die in the quarrel that they are true; they trust that before Michaelmas day more people will believe their opinions than the contrary. Would have told the Abbot to speak to your Grace, if I had known you had been at London, but you can send for him when you please. He will show what the Bishop thinks about the suppression of these opinions, which, if they continue, "shall undo us all." The Abbot left him on Monday last. Has had much trouble since then. They say that, wherever they go, they hear that the King's pleasure is that the New Testament in English should go forth. Cannot induce them to give up this opinion, without greater power to punish them. Asks him to speak to the King.

The gentlemen and commonalty in his diocese are not greatly infected, but only the merchants and those who live near the sea.

The Abbot will tell him of a well-learned curate who exhorted his hearers to believe contrary to the Catholic faith. There is a college at Cambridge, called Gunwell Haule, founded by a bishop of Norwich. Hears of no clerk who has lately come out of it but savoureth of the frying pan, though he speak never so holily. Hoxne, 14 May 1530. *Signed.*

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14 May. **6386.** The MONASTERY OF TRENTHAM, Cov. and Lich. dioc.

S. B. Restitution of the temporalties on the election of Thomas Bradwall as prior. York Place, 12 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 May.

Pat. 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 14.

15 May. **6387.** JEROME DE GHINUCCI, BISHOP OF WORCESTER, to ———.

R. O. Has received his letter in the King's name about the brief, of which no mention had been made, either to the Emperor or the Pope, when the earl

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JEROME DE GHINUCCI, BISHOP OF WORCESTER, to ——— —*cont.*

of Wiltshire arrived. Was, however, prepared to oppose the brief, if it had been produced. His duty seemed to be silence, until he was called upon to answer. Spoke about the brief to the Pope, who said he had never seen it, knew not where it was, and did not believe it could be with the Imperial ambassador. Is very thankful to the King for using his influence for his promotion to the cardinalate. Has hopes of success. The Emperor urges the Pope to promote a person named by him, and the bishop of Tarbes says that the French king has written in his favor.

Supposes, therefore, that the king of England will not be refused. Does not doubt of the favor of the Cardinals, except a few of the juniors, though these matters are done now by the Pope alone. Wishes the King would write to the bishop of London and Benett to speak to the Pope in behalf of him and the prothonotary Casale, with the preference for himself if only one can be elected.

Lat., pp. 2. *Headed:* "Ex literis D. Wigorniensis die Maii, Romæ datis."

15 May. **6388.** CRUCINUS to [GEORGIUS].

R. O. Records of the Reformation, i. 311.

Has received his letters of 27 April. Asks what has been written to the King about him. Supposes he has received the money which Crucinus voluntarily remitted. Croke should not come here on Crucinus' account; Georgius is most intimately acquainted with his sentiments. If, however, he wishes to come on account of any others, he can do as he pleases. Has not seen and cannot find his letters of which Georgius wrote. Apologises for not sending the answer to certain clauses which Georgius wants. "Quamdiu . . . uit in targlio, impius est contra me, obmutui, cessavi et tacui a verbis [bonis]." Has always advised him, if the truth is really sought for, to send . . . . and a list of reasons in writing, with the names changed. Hopes it will not be considered his fault if the nature of the cause becomes known to some by the coming of these men to Milan. Sir Gregory Casale is not to blame, for matters often come to knowledge without any fault of the agent, as is the case now. Will not spare writing, if of any use. Asks him to inform the legate Casale at Venice, and his brother Sir Gregory. Milan, 15 May 1530.

Lat., pp. 2. *Endd. by Croke:* Literæ ex quibus Crucinum constat per Franciscum nobis reconciliatum.

16 May. **6389.** JOHN WELLYSBURN to HENRY VIII.

Add. MS. 5,114, f. 32. B. M.

The Great Master has sent word that the place has been appointed where the children shall be delivered. Trusts the King will then remove. Many have fallen sick, as well as himself, and the people are dying of hunger. Cannot hear what is done, or what is intended. There is much counselling daily, as he has written already. Much secresy is observed. Gervaise has written from Angiere to Mons. de Bayone, and has left for Paris, with their determination for the King's part, as Bayone told him yesterday. Bayonne had been sent by the King to offer him his physician. Had been sick for eight days; but now, through the comfort of my lord of Wiltshire and the diligence of his physician, is greatly recovered. Angolesme, 16 May.

Hol., p. 2. *Add. Endd.:* 1530.

17 May. **6390.** LAURENCE [STUBBS] to WOLSEY.

Tit. B. i. 322. B. M.

Has received his letters, dated 11 May, saying that he marvels Stubbs should "degrese" from the promise he made at Kingston. Would have performed it, if he had got in his debts; but his inability to do so, and other charges, have caused him to sell land worth 7*l.* a year, which he had pur-

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chased for an intent which he thought would please God. His benefices are of small value, and his expences great. Asks Wolsey to have patience with him. Touching the detinue from Wolsey of any part of the 1,000*l.* which the King gave him to pay his debts, which sum Wolsey writes was given only for payment of creditors of the household, was ordered by the Council, after paying these creditors, to use the rest for paying persons who made exclamation for lack of payment for buildings; and he accordingly paid the painter, the smith, Clement Armaston, the glazier, and others at daily wages, who were unpaid for work at Esher and York Place. Was unable to pay James Nedam in full, but the King examined him as to whether he had spent the whole 1,000*l.*, and, finding that it was so, paid Nedam the remainder of his debt. No payment was made to him or any other for buildings at York Place, Esher, Tittenhanger, or More, till the King was certified that the 1,000*l.* was fully paid. If Wolsey wishes for more information, will labor for letters from the King or the Council to certify him thereof. Wolsey has had the benefit of 100 mks. which Stubbs gave to Thomas Rawlings, part of the said 1,000*l.* Would recover more, if he could do it justly, and would pay it twice, if he could, rather than discontent Wolsey's mind; but he hopes Wolsey, knowing the truth and his inability, will not desire it. The "lokes" (books?) which he promised Wolsey are ready, and he will deliver them to Cromwell.

The president of Magdalen College has paid no part of the 40*l.* which Wolsey assigned for the redemption of the pension of 20*l.* due to Stubbs. Asks for a testimonial of the assignment of the said pension, and of the President's agreement thereto. Hopes that although he has lost that worshipful promotion, he will not lose the pension. Is much called upon, aud actions are taken against him for Mr. Tony's and Dr. Haniball's matters. Westm., 17 May.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord cardinal of York's good grace.

17 May. **6391.** CROMWELL to WOLSEY.†

"Certain doctors of both the universities are here (at London) for the suppression of the Lutheran opinions. The King's highness hath caused the said doctors at divers times to assemble, and hath communed with them. The fame is that Luther is departed this life. I would he had never been born."

17 May. **6392.** RODRIGO NIÑO to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 45. B. M.

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The Signory have informed him, that, agreeably to his advice, they have sent orders to the professors at Padua to give no opinion on the behalf either of the King or Queen, as they did not wish those who were in their pay to meddle with a matter so dangerous to the authority of the Holy See, especially to the prejudice of a person related to the Emperor. It might also prejudice the king of Portugal, who had a dispensation in the same degree. The rewards offered to them by the king of England would be a great offence to the Holy See. Of six professors, five answered that they would obey the command of the Signory, notwithstanding that they had been spoken to by the agents of the king of England and offered great rewards, and they would get out of the business with the best grace they could. But Micer Marian de Sena excuses himself, saying that though he is professor, he is not bound on that account to abstain from giving advice to those who pay him; that he did so six months ago, and that he cannot

† Extract of letter of Cromwell to Wolsey, cited as 17 May 1530, in Wood, II. 50. about proceedings for suppression of Lutheranism.

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but persist in it. They asked me what I thought should be done with such an obstinate man. I said I thought they should write to him how ill he had behaved in not giving them notice as soon as the affair came to his knowledge, and that he ought not to have given advice without consulting them on a matter which concerns such great princes; but now that he is resolved to continue, they should send to desire the opinions of all the doctors, both those in favor of the King and those on the opposite side. This they promised to do. I then told them that the agents of the king of England intended to ask them for the opinion of the college of doctors in this city, and that the bishop of London and other ambassadors were coming to see to it. I advised them to think of the answer they would give, "porque sin duda se lo pediran sino los mudasse desta opinion descubrirse el mandamiento que sus señorias a los dottores de Padua han hecho por donde havran conoscido que no daran sus señorias lugar a esta junto pues no le dan para que los dottores den su conseio en ello." They all thanked me much for this advice, and this city disapproves so much of the conduct of the king of England that they will not permit any consultation to be held to the Queen's prejudice.

The English ambassadors have again pressed the bishop of Quieta (Chieti) for his opinion, showing him letters of his friends, in which they request him to give it. He has answered with moderation that he desires always to speak in it in such a manner as to do great service to the Queen. I, however, pressed him to go to England, and meanwhile not to declare himself; but he is unable to dissemble so much; and now they request of him, that, since he will not give an opinion in the King's favor, he will not do so in the Queen's either. This they desired of him on the 13th. They are also trying to procure the opinion of another Franciscan, named Francisco de la Vina, of this city, who is now 20 miles hence. Has mentioned this to the bishop of Chieti, who has secretly advised the friar to excuse himself. Has not spoken about this friar, or of individual lawyers, to the Signory, as they might reply that they are not their paid officers.

Before the Signory told me what they had done about this matter, I knew that the English agents complained that the doctors of Padua had taken their money and excused themselves from giving their opinion. I find they say that they will convoke in Bologna this meeting of their doctors which they wished to have here.

The bishop of Chieti left on the 15th for Padua, to await the commands of his Holiness and the Signory about a heretic friar who preached there in Holy Week. * * * Venice, 17 May 1530.

Sp., pp. 8, *modern copy from Simancas.*

18 May. **6393.** The EARL OF WILTSHIRE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 235.

Wrote on the 13th by Alexander. On Saturday the bishop of Bayonne told me of his master's extreme charges, as the Emperor had urged the Swiss to demand their money; that as the Emperor is now in Almain he has been obliged to pay the Princes what is their due, lest they should join the former; and he begs you, therefore, to respite his payment now due. I replied that I was surprised at this request, for the King had received from his realm twice as much as was necessary for the ransom of his children. I told him that you had a prior claim to all others, and begged him never to urge his request, as I would never support it. After many warm words he said he was sure his master could not pay; and I bade him beware of giving his master any such advice. I have since heard no more about it. If the same request is moved to you by the French ambassador in England do not consent to it.

I perceive they expect to have their children on the 25th, or at the

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beginning of next month. I cannot hear any news touching the Queen, or what the determination of Francis may be. If he resolves on any enterprize, he will let you know by De Vaulx, the ambassador. I have told the latter of your letter for his advancement to the cardinalate. The King and my Lady will help what they can in your great matter, and speak of you with great affection. I received your letter about the salt by Wellysborn. Am lodged here in the court, and feasted daily. Angoulesme, 18 May.
Hol. Add. Endd. by Wyat.

20 May. Masters' MS. f. 125.

6394. HENRY VIII. to NICHOLAS DORIGNI, President of the Chamber of Requests at Paris.

"Understands by his beloved cousin Reginald Pole's letter that the French king hath enjoined the said Dorigni to promote his cause there (this was the cause of his divorce). He exhorts him to be diligent, and to receive the directions of Raynald Pole." 20 May 1530.
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6395. THE COINAGE.

Assay of silver made in the Star Chamber at Westminster, 20 May 22 Hen.VIII. [in presence of] Sir Thos. More, chancellor, Thos. duke of Norfolk, treasurer, [Hen.] marquis of Exeter, John earl of Oxford, Rob. earl of Sussex, Cuthbert bishop of Durham, Will. prior of St. John's of Jerusalem, Ric. Lyster, chief baron of the Exchequer, Sir Hen. Guldeford, controller of the King's household, Steph. Gardener, LL.D., the King's secretary, and others, of money coined since 4 June 19 Hen.VIII., during the time of John Copynger, keeper of the exchange, and Sir Will. Blount, master of the Mint.

21 May. Theiner, p.592.

6396. THE DIVORCE.

Papal mandate, inhibiting, under pain of excommunication, all ecclesiastical judges before whom the cause of the divorce may be brought, and all others, from alleging any thing in the cause, or intermeddling with it, against their conscience, for bribe, entreaty, or any other unworthy motive. Rome, 21 May 1530.
Lat.

21 May. R. O. Rym. XIV. 390.

6397. THE DIVORCE.

Notarial attestation, by Ric. Watkyns, of a transumpt of an extract from a book put in evidence by Henry VIII., entitled "Jacobus de Lausanna super quartum sententiarum." In his gallery near Charing Cross, 21 May 1530.
Lat., vellum.

21 May. R. O.

6398. GHINUCCI to [CROKE].

Received his letters of the 3rd by Remigius, who returned yesterday. Is glad he has recovered his health. Is sure his nephew, Andrea, has done nothing to betray the cause. Thinks he must have given Croke the same catalogue Ghinucci gave him, which Ghinucci received from Sir Gregory. As he was not at Milan with Crucinus, cannot tell about the names. They may be partly those sent by Crucinus and partly feigned, as Croke writes. That a different list may have been communicated by the Prothonotary is a matter he is not called on to explain. Does not know one of the persons named. Cannot send the names of those he has procured (*quos paravimus*) at present, as Sir Gregory has them, whom he left to see to the matter when he came to Rome; but Sir Gregory will be here in three or

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four days. Knows that when he left Bologna, Hieronimo de Lucca, general of the Order of Servites, was being treated with; also that Crisostomus de Casali, of the Order of Preachers at Piacenza, had written on the King's side. Has no other names to send. Has sent to several places, and especially to the place Croke advised. Has letters signifying that they have hired some persons, but they mention no names. From other quarters he has received no answers. Has tried many persons here, but to no purpose. Marcus Raphael is here, and Ghinucci invited him to his house, but he declined all offers. He told my brother that Francesco was going to the Pope, which I could not believe, as you did not mention it. Croke wonders at Ghinucci writing to the Prothonotary about Gisi Francesco Mari. Is no less surprised himself, for he neither wrote nor thought nor heard about him. Was instructed by the King to treat in common with Sir Gregory, and neither was to do anything without the other's knowing. Croke was welcome to the services of Remigius, but, as he declines to keep him longer, Ghinucci is glad to have him back. Both he and all that Ghinucci possesses are at Croke's service, to whom he has been devoted since the first day he knew him. Will write to him as often as he can find messengers. Expects the bishop of London and Bennet shortly. Rome, 21 May 1530.

The Prothonotary has written to him that he is in want of money both for the doctors at Padua and for the divines. Wishes Croke to tell him what to do. I mention this on account of the divines, because you said that all who could be had in those parts had been already hired by you.

Lat., pp. 2. *In Croke's hand, and endorsed by him:* Exemplar litterarum Wigorniensis quibus ficta misisse nomina constat.

23 May. **6399.** DR. GARAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 53. B. M.

Has written to him several times what has been done here in the faculty of theology about the queen of England's matter. As your Majesty and Madame Margaret have urged me to do all I could in the matter, I may inform you how they annulled the signatures (*como me quitaron las firmas*) which I had obtained in the Queen's favor. Until now I have not been able to recover them, with all the efforts used by your ambassadors. The other side have gained, by money, threats, and importunity, with the favor in which they are held, thirty-five signatures or more; among which are four or five even of those who had signed for the Queen. Fears they will gain a vote in the name of the whole faculty for the king of England. Thinks a brief from the Pope should be obtained to annul all that has been done. This could be obtained the more easily, as it is said he has already at the Emperor's instance enjoined the King to live with his wife under pain of excommunication. But delay will entail danger. If I obtain it in time, I promise your Majesty more than 60 signatures, or the conclusion of the faculty sealed, before the play begins; but a single Spaniard is powerless, if he can only use the name of your Majesty. Paris, 23 May 1530.

Sp., pp. 3, *modern copy from the Simancas papers at Paris.*

23 May. **6400.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 392.

Sentence of the canonists of the university of Paris touching the Papal dispensation. Paris, 23 May 1530.

Lat., vellum.

6401. HERETICAL BOOKS.

R. O. Wilkins' Conc. III. 717.

Injunctions touching the clergy, chiefly against the use of heretical books, of which a list is given.

Draft with corrections in Henry VIII.'s handwriting, which are adopted in the Cottonian MS. (*Cleopatra F.* II. 54) *printed by Wilkins.*

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24 May. **6402.** HERETICAL BOOKS.
Wilkins, III. 727.

List of the errors contained in certain heretical books, English and Latin, among others, Tyndale's Translation of the Scriptures, for the benefit of preachers, to be published by them in their sermons, by the command of the King, sitting on the East side of the Parliament Chamber, 24 May 1530. Present, Wm. archbishop of Canterbury, Sir Thomas More, chancellor, Cuthbert bishop of Durham, Stephen Gardiner, secretary, Richard Sampson, Ric. Wolman, John Bell, Nich. Wilson, the King's confessor, Ric. Dooke, archdeacon of Wiltshire, Edward Steward, Ric. Mawdelay, Wm. Mortymer, Edw. Crome, Edw. Wigen, Rob. Carter, Edw. Leighton, Hugh Latamer, John Thixtill, Wm. Latemer, Roger Tilson, notaries, Thos. Ashley, Ric. Watkins, and Matt. Gryston.

ii. Proclamation against the writings and disciples of Luther, containing precepts for all law officers of the Crown, and others having governance of the people, to make oath, on entering upon their office, to extirpate heresy, and assist the Bishops in the same.

At the end, a list of prohibited books.*

25 May. **6403.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]
Vit. B. XIII. 85. B. M.

Has found no learned or pious man who does not favor the King's cause. Besides the names already sent, Thomas Omnibonus has gained seven more subscriptions to conclusions in favor of the cause, and Simonetus has promised 20. Gives these letters to the bishop of London on account of the danger of the journey. Sends a copy of letters which were sent to him open, in case the King wishes to answer. Was at Vicenza, on May 5, with father Francis, who in his presence caused nine doctors to sign conclusions, the paper containing also other signatures of Observants. Soon after Croke's departure, the bishop of Vaison, master of the Pope's household and nuncio here, who was staying with the ambassador at his country house, came to Vicenza, obtained possession of the signatures by threatening father Francis and a few others, and asked the *podesta* whether it had been done by order of the Senate, as father Francis would be in no little danger. Said to the nuncio today, May 13, that he was glad that the Pope so feared the justice of the King's cause that he tried secretly to put it down by force; and related the King's merits towards the Pope and the Apostolic See. He denied that he had done this with the Pope's order, or that he knew anything of the King's cause. Knows that he scarcely speaks the truth in this. He promised, however, to interfere no more. He went yesterday to Padua, and goes tomorrow to Venice. If he intends to frighten the King's friends there, it must be that John Cassale has advised him to do it, from envy. Croke and Leonicus have seen his letters to Simonetus, praying him to write to the bishop of London that the King's affairs here are badly managed and published abroad, as the ambassador Cassale could testify. Simonetus also complained that he prevented him from obtaining the right number of masters of theology. He says that Cassale gave the King's conclusions to friar Berges, an ignorant and uninfluential man, to be discussed in the King's name at the meeting of friars at Rovigo; that Cassale asked him to write to the bishop of London that nothing had been done in the King's cause before he interceded with Simonetus; and when Simonetus refused, asked him to write that matters had been badly managed, and never finished

* On the 25th May, according to Hall, the King came into the Star Chamber, and, after a conference with the Bishops and other members of the Council touching the inaccuracy of Tyndale's translations, commanded the Bishops to prepare a new translation with the help of the most learned men in the universities, "so that the people should not be ignorant in the law of God." But, according to the chronicler, the Bishops did nothing, so that people studied Tyndale's translation the more.

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without him. Has never dealt with any man but Cassale afterwards tried by flattery and threats to induce him to draw them off. Gaspar Contarini, Lewis Monsinigno, and Peter Bembo, who are Imperialists, attempt to influence the Friars. The ambassador is so familiar with Gaspar that he exhorted Croke to apply to him about obtaining an answer, and said more than once that he was treating with him privately about it. Has not hitherto been able to get an answer, since they replied that they would give one which would gratify the King. "Dicit tamen mihi orator tuus co . . . . . se habere illos nihil responsuros et me propter causas quas proxime scrip[si] . . . . hortatus est ne responsum exigerem. Audio tamen hærere sena[tum] . . . . quod velint ut exhiberem literas ad me tuas. Intelligunt emissi . . . . . me nullam aliam ad hoc tractandum negotium habere comm[issionem] facere non possum sine magno causæ Majestatis tuæ . . . . . periculo * * * Academiis disputandam, nec dubito quin omnium doctorum et proborum judicio [vi]cerit Majestas tua." Sends the names sent to him by the bishop of Worcester. Those marked with one dot are what Crucinus sent, and those marked with two are clearly fictitious. Knows that several friars, who have neither name, learning, nor influence, have signed at their request. On the Padua boat, late at night, 25 May.

Sends also letters of Nicolas Leonicus, showing how much the King owes to him, who not only tries to gain the King friends, but to exhort the most learned theologians to support his cause. He encouraged Francis Marino, when he was in great fear. It is dangerous to do anything without the permission of the Pope and the Senate. Nothing must be disclosed to the Venetian ambassador in England, for he will inform the Senate. Whatever is entrusted to these adherents of the Pope is to the injury of the cause. They use secret means to hinder, though they dare not do so openly, and have promised assistance. Asks him to enquire about Leonicus' good qualities, of the bishop of Durham, Pole, and William Latimer, who, with Linacre, were his pupils. Requests that his letters may be read only by Tuke and Fox.

Lat., draft, hol., pp. 2, mutilated.

25 May. Vesp. F. IX. 138. B. M.

6404. NICHOLAS VRIGNY to HENRY VIII.

The King's letters acknowledging his services, are a great honor to him. Did not deserve a letter from him personally. Would have been satisfied with a letter from one of his servants. Performed the matter which the King had entrusted to him, with the assistance of doctors of the greatest influence, in accordance with equity and the King's wishes, as his Highness will see by what has been ratified by the faculty.

Was more disposed to obey him, as he is in indissoluble friendship with the French king. Paris, 25 May 1530.

Hol., pp. 2, Lat. Add.

25 May. Add. MS. 28,580, f. 56. B. M.

6405. RODRIGO NIÑO to CHARLES V.

Wrote on the 17th all that was done about the queen of England. The bishop of Vaison, the Pope's major domo, has come to Vicenza, his native place; and, finding what the agents of the king of England were doing, urged the doctors not to yield, as it would be to the injury of Christendom. He dissuaded some, and one of them gave him the conclusions which the king of England wished them to maintain, and a copy of the arguments of those who have written in his favor. Sends the whole to the Emperor. He also got a friend of his to write against the King an opinion, which he would not show to me till the Pope had seen it. I told him what

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the Queen had done, and the Bishop left for Rome on the 23rd. He goes by Bologna, to do what he can in the matter there, and will be ready to receive instructions from your Majesty. Today the prothonotary Casale arrived here. It is he who went with Richard (Croke), the agent sent to the doctors of Padua. * * * Venice, 25 May 1530.

Sp., pp. 7, *modern copy from Simancas.*

26 May. **6406.** [CROKE] to FOX.

Vit.B.XIII.79. B. M.

The King's matters here go lustily forward, notwithstanding the frauds and lets of which he has written to the King, with proofs to show that he does not write merely upon suspicion or report. Has, by witness and letters, proved some things before the bishop of London, which Fox would not believe. Has procured writings and subscriptions from 36 doctors and 14 friars Observants, of good learning and estimation; and he doubts not that he will send 50 more shortly, in spite of the evil chance that happened to father Francis at Vincence. Sends a conclusion and subscriptions given him by Simo[netus], "the which, because Simonetus hath, as he saith, till licenc[e] be obtained that he and they may speak at liberty, changy[d from] *posse* into *debere*, till I have that changed again I wol not ascertain the King of it." Will serve his Prince truly and earnestly, without "acception" or fear of any man. Wishes him to report thus to the King. Desires to be commended to his most dear lord and master, my lord of Richmond, and asks Fox to tell him that he hopes to bring him home Cæsar's bridges, and a copy of a galley with five oars, such as few men have seen. Asks him to tell the King that tha[nswer] to his letters shall be as his ambassadors say, that the Senate will bid Croke do his best, and will not interrupt him. If the matter should be anything advanced by them, the Prince must summon the heads of every religion, and bid them tell their fellows that if any man demands their opinions in a question of matrimony concerning the king of England or the Emperor, the Senate is content that every man should say and write their minds according to their learning and conscience. Bologna, 26 May.

Hol., draft, p. 1, *mutilated.*

26 May. **6407.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit.B.XIII.77. B. M.

In his pr[esence] at Vincentia, father Francis caused nine doctors to subscribe a bill drawn up by him in corroboration of the King's cause, and many others also signed it. When Croke left, the bishop of Vaison, the nuncio apostolic here, took it from Francis and burnt it. Does not know at whose suggestion, but he came from his place in the country to Vincentia, as he told Croke himself, purposely to do this, and De Cassalis was staying with him. Notwithstanding this loss, with those that the King already has, and those in Croke's and Francis' hands, they have 50 subscriptions and counsels,—36 by doctors, and the rest by Observants of learning and estimation. The King will also have more from Verona and Foro Julio, beside what Francis Marinus, provincial of the Grey Friars, has promised, by the exhortation of Leonicus. Simonetus, whose letter to the King Croke has given to the bishop of London, complained sorely to Croke and Leonicus that the ambassador had committed the King's conclusion to a friar named Bergs, to be published and disputed in the King's name at their general chapter at Rhoigo; which publication has prevented him procuring subscriptions. He tried by craft to ascribe this error to Croke, and wrote to ask Simonetus to tell the bishop of London that the King's matters had been evil handled and disclosed to every man. Simonetus showed this letter to Croke and . . . . . "But the cause of all this malice is the sight of [such letters] as your Grace sent unto me and . . . . . whereof the * * * to me he dissolved and delivered

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father Francis the copy of your most honorable letters sent unto him, or that he delivered me the same;" although Croke was at home, and accompanied him to father Francis' chamber and back. His answer to Croke's daily request to give the King's letters to the Senate will be shown by the enclosed bill in his own hand. No doubt it is through him that Croke can get no answer from the Senate, and never will have, as he says. He knows Croke has no credence nor authority to demand answer, except the King's letter, which he cannot show. He lessens Croke's estimation all that he can, saying that he is sent to solicit him. However, by the help of Dominic of Treviso, got into the senate house one day, in the ambassador's absence, and obtained a promise that they would send for him in two or three days, and give him such an answer as would please the King. Has solicited very diligently since then, but can obtain neither hearing nor answer. Asks the King to grant him a commission, that he may obtain credence and authority by showing it, and to send him new instructions and money for his diets beforehand, and for the expences of his mission. Has nothing of his own, neither by friends nor by promotion. Has been here seven months, and has not received diets for a day longer. Has also laid out . . . . . [as] appears by the enclosed accounts. Doubts not shortly to send proof of his fidelity and diligence * * *

Cannot conceal from the King that he received from the prothonotary a bill of names s[ent] by Sir Gregory, for the retaining of whom in Milan he demands 50 cr., as appears by his and Ghinucci's letters. Sends a copy of the bill, and of a notarial instrument sent to father Francis by Crucinus, stating how he had spent the money sent him by Francis and Croke. This instrument plainly shows that Sir Gregory demands money for retaining men already retained. The bill sent by the bishop of Worcester also contains some of the same names, and the names pricked are fictitious, as are some of the names shown by the Bishop to the bishop of London. If the King has not received Thomas Omnibonus' conclusion in his own hand, it must have been sent to the Pope, for Ghinucci did not show it to the bishop of London, and his brother Paul lately threatened the friar to send it to his Holiness. This will greatly hinder the King's cause and undo the friar, unless the King succours him. Asks the King to consider with what men his ambassadors and poor servants have to meddle, in case they do not proceed as well with his causes as they would and should. Asks him to direct Tuke to inform Croke immediately what letters and writings his Highness receives, for he has sent "V . . . . . and except one in English, I sent with them divers lett[ers and] writings concerning your most [high causes] * * * [c]aused my servant to copy them out, and upon their backsides to write what letters and writings I sent with each of them." Asks that his letters may be read by Tuke and Fox, and kept from the knowledge of the Venetian ambassador and all other Italians, for fear of their sending secret information hither, which would put him in great danger. Bologna, 26 May.

Draft, hol., pp. 4, *mutilated.*

26 May. Add. MS. 28,580, f. 60. B. M.

6408. MAI to CHARLES V.

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The Pope has promised me that he will send a brief to the king of France, or at least to his nuncio, to use every effort to prevent the doctors of Paris from meeting, saying that it is to the prejudice of the Holy See to dispute its power merely at the instance of the English. Has obtained the brief which the Queen desired, that no one, on pain of the greater excommunication, shall judge, allege, or counsel otherwise than his conscience dictates. Sends a copy. Has caused one to be sent to the Queen,

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which will be published in the churches, and, if necessary, in Flanders. Hears that in Venice they have decided for the English. Rodrigo Niño writes how he has dissuaded them from meeting in Padua. Has spoken to the Pope to prevent their doing so at Bologna. He says the Governor has already dissuaded them, and that he will write further to forbid it. Will write to Lope de Soria to counteract their devices at Sienna. The Pope has received a letter from the bishop of Vaison at Venice, who says that he had been shown by a friar an opinion they had signed against the Queen, or rather against the Pope, and that he had strongly counselled them not to deliver it. His advice was so far followed that they not only would not give it to the English, but they gave it to him, and he tore it up. The Pope is much delighted with this, although, as to John Matthew, "sta algo entresi," and his Holiness wishes me to understand that it is not likely to be true (*que no debe de ser verdad*).

His Holiness told me that the bishop of London and Dr. Benet are coming as ambassadors, and that they have written to him that on their arrival his Holiness would understand the good mind of their King.

The Pope believes readily what he wishes. He tells me he has news from England that they are making marriages there between divers persons of whom his Holiness has no knowledge, but that "el Boular" (Sir Thos. Boleyn) appeared to have lost his hopes in this matter, and that the King for this cause had given Mrs. Anne certain goods for her support. Does not believe this.

Has received a message from cardinal Egidius, saying that he wishes much to study this case. Thinks it might be an advantage, but wishes to know what to answer. The absence of the cardinal of Ancona is a great loss. He is at Ancona, and says he will not return till September. Cardinal Cajetan is favorable. Rome, 26 May 1530.

ii. Summary of the letters of Rodrigo Niño from Venice, of the 4th, 13th, and 17th May.

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That, understanding the king of England was endeavoring to obtain an opinion from the university of Padua, he and the Prothonotary had spoken to the Doge as of themselves, and the ambassador has obtained a promise from the Signory accordingly, as both the thing itself and the manner of procedure appear to them diabolical.

Afterwards, when the Englishman came from Padua, he learned how he had treated with one friar Simonetta, a bad man; and that he was intending to go and treat with another friar, Francisco de Lavina, who was twenty miles from thence; but he prevented him. Nevertheless, they have arranged that the doctors of Venice should vote, although the Venetians are ill disposed in the matter. Also they have made application to the bishop of Chieti with letters from their King, and as he did not give a favorable answer they have produced letters from the bishop of Verona, and since they are not allowed to meet there they intend to have a meeting at Bologna. The Signory have taken good measures to prevent those of Padua voting; for of six professors, only one, named Mariano de Sena, has remained (*quedado*). It is six months since he gave his opinion, and wished to proceed in it. Now they will not have a meeting unless they have an eye to Bologna. The bishop of Chieti has left for Padua to punish an heretical friar.

Sp., pp. 8, *modern copy from Simancas.*

27 May. **6409.** [CROKE to TUKE.]

Vit.B.XIII.79b. B. M.

Thanks him for his great kindness, and prays for its continuance. Mr. Petre, as by the King's order, and also Mr. Fox, write that the King

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has allowed him for his post money 67*l.*, the amount of his bill; but as the bishop of Worcester tells him the King has only allowed 59*l.*, he has made his count to the King after that rate. Reminds him of his poverty and of his good will towards him. Would rather suffer great loss than lose his favor. Asks him to tell the King, that, as the ambassador Cassalis says, the [Senate] of Venice will bid him do his best, and not interrupt him; but the King must cause them to summon the heads of the religious and tell them that every man may say and write according to his conscience in any question put to them concerning matrimony in the name of the king of England. Doubts not they will do marvellously well. Bologna, 27 May.

Draft, hol., p. 1.

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6410. TREATY OF CAMBRAY.

Notification by Tunstal bishop of Durham of his refusal to interpose in the matter touching the town of Crevecœur. Signed at London in the Bishop's house. 27 May 1530.

ii. Notification by the French ambassador to M. de la Broye, the Imperial ambassador, of the aforesaid refusal. Dated London in the Strand, 31 May 1530.

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6411. JAMES CLYFFE, Priest, to BONER.

Is glad to hear of his good health. It has pleased the King's grace to assemble a congregation, to be kept at Westminster, with certain bishops and twelve doctors of both universities. A commission is to be sent to every bishop to inquire for all English books which are condemned, and bring them in by a certain day. All persons retaining them eight days after such notice to be reputed heretics. "Other matters have been communed of, but, God be thanked, as yet they take little effect. There is much communing of divers marriages betwixt the duke of Norfolk and my lady Princess, and the young Duke and my Lord aforesaid, but there is no conclusion made in that behalf, as far as I can hear." Young Barley is lately come from beyond sea, and reports a marriage betwixt a cousin of the Emperor and the French king; the French king's sons to be delivered on the last Ascension Day, as he reports. My lord of Wiltshire is in the French king's court. His friends are uncertain of his coming home. Mr. Leye is come home, but has not brought such news as were desired. My lord Cardinal is communed of, and among lords of the Council specially. The[y] fear that the[y] shall of necessity be compelled to call for my lord Cardinal's grace again. God continue their minds in that behalf. "Mr. Latimer keeps his old opinions, and divers other, which were too long to ascribe their names." The King and the Queen are this day at Hampton Court, and my lady Anne. "My Lord of the Vale Royal is in his possession again, with the King's favor and letters, and some of his brethren in the Castle of Chester,—not all at their pleasure, no thanks to Mr. Lee. In like manner, the abbot of Chester, sometime named Condam, I trust, shall be in his house." London, 29 May.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful and his special good master, Mr. Doctor Boner, chaplain to my lord Cardinal's good grace. *Endd.*

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6412. JACOBO SALVIATI to [SIR GREGORY CASALE], the English Ambassador at Bologna.

Cannot deny that the Pope was very much displeased at what your brother or some one else had written to Fra Francisco Zorzi, and that he was also sorry to understand you had written to the lawyers at Bologna; not

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that the Pope wishes to hinder the king of England in obtaining justice, but on account of the inconvenience of bringing into discussion things about which Christendom has been agreed for many ages.

The Pope trusts he will manage matters so that the King will not be dissatisfied with his Holiness. Rome, 29 May 1530.

Ital., p. 1, *copy. Add.*

30 May. **6413.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

R. O. In addition to the number mentioned in his last letters, has obtained the signatures of 18 doctors to the assertion of the conclusion, which he encloses with their names. Sends also extracts from the bishop of Worcester's letters, showing the advice received from him at different times in the King's name. Has not followed it altogether, for fear of rumor. Has treated of the King's causes only with father Franciscus Georgius, Joannes Franciscus Marinus, Thomas Omnibonus, and Simon Ardeus, otherwise called Simonetus, whose letters to the King he gave to the bishop of London on 15 May. Has been present, though unknown, when many doctors signed, and saw that only fear of the Pope prevented many from speaking and writing according to their learning and conscience. Doubted the Pope's granting open licence to speak freely, from his fear of the Emperor; and therefore asked the bishop of London to cause Ghinucci to tell the friars that the Pope wished every man to write and speak freely, if any question was put to them concerning matrimony in the behalf of the king of England, and that he should write that he had spoken with the Pope and perfectly knew his mind. If he did this, and leave was obtained from the Senate, would have no doubt of obtaining most of Italy, for the *auditor Cameræ Apostolicæ* is held in high estimation. Padua, 30 May.

Copy in Croke's hand, p. 1. *Endd.:* The copy of two letters sent by the master of the posts of Venice.

Vit. B. XIII. 80. B. M. 2. Draft of the same in Croke's hand.

P. 1, *mutilated.*

31 May. **6414.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

R. O. Received this morning a letter from the bishop of Worcester, stating that Marcus Raphael, the converted Jew, who wrote so earnestly in favor of the King's cause, is in service with the Pope, and that his Holiness means also to send for father Francis to make him cardinal. Asks the King to write to the Senate that he has specially sent Croke to obtain an answer from them, without which he is told by the King's friends that he will never obtain one, as he wrote from Bologna by the bishop of London, to whom he committed Simonetus' letters and other writings, with his account for Tuke. Asks for money. Venice, 31 May.

Copy in Croke's own hand, p. 1. *On same paper as the R. O. copy of the last.*

Vit. B. XIII. 82 b. B. M. 2. Draft of the same.

In Croke's hand, p. 1.

31 May. **6415.** [CROKE] to TUKE.

Vit. B. XIII. 83. B. M. Asks him to deliver the accompanying letters to the King speedily, for they contain a great sort of doctors' subscriptions above [the] number of which he wrote to the King before. They are the best of Venice and Padua, and almost all. Reminds him of his diets, and money for the King's cause. Without quick provision, will be utterly destitute. Florence is in extreme

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[CROKE] to TUKE—*cont.*

necessity. Near Vincence on Monday last a tempest destroyed all the trees, corn, and grass for four miles' compass. Venice, 31 May.

Hol., draft, p. 1, *mutilated.*

6416. THE DIVORCE.

R. O. 1. Copy of a portion of the letter of Julius II. to Henry VII., dated Rome, 6 July 1504, omitting names, and a statement of the King's case under the names of Olimbrandus and Barbara.

Articles made for the King's cause by Michael Zodo. 1. Whether it is certain about the dispensation under lead, considering the contrary assertion of the Pope. 2. Supposing that the dispensation under lead is lawful, whether the brief of the same date is so too, considering the suspicions. 3. Whether the cause of peace, stated in the dispensation, is sufficient, as there was no war or controversy between the King and Duke. 4. If the cause of peace mentioned in the bull is not sufficient, whether the expression about it in the bull makes it valid. 5. If not, whether the expression *et aliis causis animum nostrum moventibus*, gives a sufficient cause. 6. Whether the protestation caused the consent of Olimbrandus to cease, or whether it should not be received, as dishonorable. 7. Whether the minority of Olimbrandus, which was not told to the Pope, invalidates the dispensation. 8. Whether, if the dispensation was invalid, the connexion between the parties when of full age gave it validity.

Item, the doctors of canon law should argue that the prohibition is of divine law, and that the persons engaged for the King should be questioned as to the falseness of the brief and other points.

Lat., pp. 2. *In Croke's hand. Endd.:* "The copy of the bishop of Worcester's instructions, wherein is the slanderous and untrue process (?) of the King's protestations, which hath marvellously hurt the King's causes in men's opinion."

R. O. 2. "The clause in the instructions given by my lord of Worcester the which slandereth the King's cause, and hath done much harm unto the same."

"Post præinsertas litteras dispensationis, superveniente ætate legitima dicti Olimbrandi ad contrahendum matrimonium per verba de presenti, illudque consumandum, antequam ad dictam Barbaram ut cum ea se commisceret, intraret, coram notario et testibus solenniter protestatus fecit (*qu.* fuit ?) se ad eam intrare, non tamen animo contrahendi aut alias proficiendi (*sic*, qu. *perficiendi ?*) matrimonium hanc protestationem dicta Barbara penitus ignoran' causam quia uti cum propria uxore per duodecim annos et ultra, etiam cum susceptione prolis femineæ viventis, cohabitavit.*

"Sexto utrum illa protestatio facta ita ut faciat cessare consensum Olimbrandi in dicto matrimonio, an vero, veluti continens turpitudinem protestantis et tercii præjudicium, non recipiatur."

P. 1. *In Croke's hand. Endd. as above in English.*

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 553. 3. "A copy of names and subscriptions gotten by father Francis, besides them that the King hath, and them that are in Foro Julii, and also them that came from Crucinus."

The names of nine doctors and friars which were burnt at Vincentia; and the forms of the subscriptions of Aurelius de Verona, S.T.P., and eight others, to the writings of father Francis.

Lat., pp. 2. *In Croke's hand.*

* The above sentence is transcribed precisely as it stands in the original.

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6417. For the MONASTERY OF ST. PETER, HYDE, Winchester Dioc.

Restitution of temporalties upon the election of John Saltcott as abbot of the monastery, *vice* Ric. Romsey, deceased. Hampton Court, 30 May 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 31 May.

ii. Petition for the above. 23 March 1529.

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2. John Pascall, mariner, of Sandwich. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir. Rob. Wingfelde. Windsor, 24 April 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 2 May.—P.S.

4. Ralph Worsley, one of the stewards of the Chamber. Next presentation to the parish church of South Fambrigge, Essex, London dioc. Windsor, 23 April. *Del.* Westm., 4 May.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 3.

4. George Lawson, treasurer of Berwyke. Grant, during pleasure, of the rule and oversight of the King's "brewhouses, bakhowses, milles, storehowses, garners and stables," lately repaired and rebuilt in the town of Berwyke, and at the Hooly Island (which are said to be falling down with decay, for the want of oversight,) with "the romes" of 3 soldiers in the old ordinary retinue of the said town, each of them to have 4*d.* a day for the wages of one cooper, one miller, and one brewer, to be appointed by the said Lawson. Windsor, 27 April 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 May.—P.S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

4. Wm. lord Gray, captain of Hammes castle. Licence to export yearly 44 oxen, 250 sheep, 50 quarters of wheat, and 60 quarters of malt, for the victualling of the castle. Westm., 4 May.—*Fr.* 22 *Hen.VIII. m.* 2.

6. George Adlam. Wardship of Nicholas, s. and h. of Richard Harvy, deceased. Windsor, 28 March 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 May 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 26.

6. John Weyver, of Rigate, Surrey, yeoman. Pardon of all offences against the person of Agnes Sprenger *alias* Springer. The More, 28 April 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 May.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 26.

6. Wm. Harrys. Lease of the farm of Westgupton, and all houses, &c. thereto belonging, and 30 acres of land in Estgupton, now in pasture near Le Heyn, and a pasture called Donslake at Estgupton, and 3 acres of reeds called Le-Heyn in the lordship of Castelmartyn, Pembroke, Wales, parcel of the lands late of the duke of Bedford; with reservations; for 21 years, at certain annual rents, and 6*s.* 4*d.* of increase. Westm., 6 May 22 Hen. VIII.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

7. Randolf Ferrer, servant of the duke of Richmond and Somerset. To have the corrody or sustentation in the monastery of Cristall *vice* Roger Hopton, and his two sons, deceased. Windsor, 24 April 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 7 May.—P.S.

8. John Wylliams. To be clerk of the King's jewels, with 20 marks a year, *vice* Thos. Wyat. Greenwich, 6 April 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 8 May.—P.S.

8. Richard Brame. To be controller of the tonnage and poundage of the small customs in the port of London, performing the office in person; *vice* William Crane. York Place, 8 May 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S. Addressed to the earl of Wiltshire and Ormond, as Lord Privy Seal.

10. Richard Knaxston, husbandman, of Alborne, Wilts. Pardon for the death of Wm. Hamys, Henderson, 1 May 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 May.—P.S.

ii. Duplicate of the above. Hampton Court, 1 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 26.

10. Christopher Wentworth, clk. Grant of the perpetual chantry of Flamstede, Herts, which does not exceed the annual value of 7 marks; in the King's gift by the resignation of Thos. Asheborne, last incumbent. Windsor, 22 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 May 22 Hen.VIII.—P.S.

10. William Dodde, vintner, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Rob. Wingfeld. Hundisdon, 2 May 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 May.—P.S.

13. John Molle, of London, brewer, native of Scotland. Denization. Enfield, 6 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 13 May.—P.S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

13. John Wellesborne, squire of the Body. Lease of the park of Bekeley in the lordship of Bekeley, parcel of the duchy of Cornwall, Oxon, with reservations; for 21 years, at the annual rent of 10*l.* By warrant dated York Place, 21 Feb. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 13 May 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

14. John Layson, of Calais, native of Lymmyn, in Brabant. Denization. York Place, 12 May 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 May.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 2.

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14. Simon Skelicorn, capper, of London. Pardon for having stolen certain property belonging to Rob. True, at Shirborne Prior, Hants, on 1 Dec. 21 Hen. VIII. Windsor, 14 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 May 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

14. Anthony Saunders, yeoman of the Guard. Custody of the moiety of 2 tenements, with a garden adjoining, in the city of Exeter, Devon, of the annual value of 20*s.*, whereof Robert Slugge, late collector of customs in the ports of Exeter and Dartmouth, was seized in his demesne as of fee, 12 July 11 Hen. VIII., and which was seized into the King's hands by Sir Thos. Denys, late sheriff of Devon, for a forfeited recognizance of 200*l.*;—to hold as long as the premises remain in the King's hands. York Place, 8 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 May.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 15.

14. Lewis Cleton, husbandman, of Horton, Salop. Pardon for having, on 10 Nov. 19 Hen. VIII., stolen certain cattle from a close at Horton, belonging to Alice Cleton. York Place, 11 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 May.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

20. John Wren and Tho. Wren. To be auditors of the lps. of Bromefelde and Yale, Chirke and Chirkelonde, marches of Wales, Deffrencloyde with the town of Ruthyn, North Wales, and Langdendale, Cheshire, and of all other lps. in that country, late of Sir Wm. Stanley, rebel to Hen. VII.; with an annuity of 6*l.* for riding to Holte Castle and other places to take the accounts of the officers there; and two others of 9*l.* and 11*l.* for writers' wages, parchment, paper, green cloth, and other expences; and 23*s.* 4*d.* for Langdendale. *Del.* Westm., 20 May 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

21. Jas. Burley, clk. Pardon for having accepted the church of Beverley, granted him by the Pope, by anticipation or otherwise, through the medium of Thos. cardinal archbishop of York; also pardon of all offences against the statutes of provisors and *præmunire.* York Place, 17 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 21 May.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 3.

23. Robert Seymour, gentleman usher of the Chamber. To be master forester or warden of Milchet Forest, Wilts; in the King's custody by the minority of Peter, s. and h. of Sir Wm. Compton, deceased, to hold during the said minority. York Place, 15 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 May.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 9.

23. Commission of Sewers.

Wm. Jurden, mayor of Gloucester, Sir Edm. Tame, Sir Anthony Poyntz, Sir Anthony Hungerford, Sir John Walshe, Sir Edw. Wadham, Thos. Whytyngton, Wm. Tracy, Rowland Morton, Robt. . . . . ., James Clyfford, and Thos. Lane, for the river Severn, from Upton, Worc., to Newnham, Glouc., and within the liberty and precinct of the county of the town of Gloucester. Westm. 23 May.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 1*d.*

24. Wm. Gonson. Grant, in tail male, of the reversion of the manor of Frutewell *alias* Fritwell, in the parish of Frutewell, Oxon, and of all messuages, &c. therein, of which William Holme, page of the King's cellar, is now seized by virtue of patent 12 July 5 Hen. VIII. granting the same in survivorship to Walter Harper, yeoman of the mantle, and to the said William Holme. York Place, 11 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 May.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 11.

24. Elizabeth Brocke, late of Steple Mordon, Canterbury, spinster. Pardon for the murder of her son, Wm. Broke, at Steple Mordon, 1 March 20 Hen. VIII. York Place, 18 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 May.—P.S.

24. *Cornwall:*—Commission to John Wyddon and John Harrys to make inquisition whether John Deane, s. and h. of Rob. Deane, be a natural idiot, and, if so, what lands he held, &c. Westm., 24 May.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 26*d.*

25. Sir Ric. Weston, late Lord Treasurer. Grant of certain lands in the manor of Marrowe, in the town of Marrowe and Clandon, Surrey. Windsor, 18 March 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 May 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

27. Hen. Capron, mercer, of Little Walsingham, Norf. Pardon for having uttered counterfeit coin. York Place, 23 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 27 May.—P.S.

27. Hen. Rither and Ric. Redmayn. Inspeximus and confirmation of charter (patent) 4 Dec. 8 Hen. VI., inspecting and confirming patent 12 Nov. 8 Hen. VI., being a constat and exemplification of charter 16 Feb. 10 John, being a grant of warren, fair and market at Harewood, York, to Warin Fitzgerald (*fil' Ger'*), and his heirs. Westm., 27 May.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 26.

28. Francisco Lopes of Araviano, merchant of Spain, *alias* of Tarasone, in Arragon. Denization. Windsor, 23 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 28 May 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

28. John Pate, page of the Wardrobe of Beds. Grant of a messuage or tenement in the parish of All Saints, Hony Lane, in the city of London, in which John Harte now dwells; an annual quit-rent of 6*s.* issuing from a tenement in the parish of St. Michael, Quenehith, in the same city, in which John Nasshe now dwells; another quit-rent of 20*s.*, issuing from a tenement called "the Signe of the Thre Nonnes," in the parish of St. James, Garlykhith, in the said city;

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another quit-rent of 4*s.*, issuing from a tenement called "the Signe of the Swane agenste the greate Conduct in Chepe," in the same city; another quit-rent of 6*s.* 8*d.*, issuing from a tenement in Watling Strete, in the parish of All Saints, Brodestrete, in the same city, in which Henry Sukeley now dwells; another quit-rent of 4*s.*, issuing from a tenement in White Crosse Strete, in the parish of St. Giles without Creplegate, in which John Thurston now dwells; and another quit-rent issuing from a tenement called "the Signe of the Panyer," in Paternoster Rowe, in the same city; which lately belonged to Sir Ric. Charleton deceased, who was attainted of high treason in Parliament, 1 Hen. VII. Hundesdon, 3 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Enrolled*, Westm., 28 May.—P.S.——*The patent was vacated on surrender*, 14 *Nov.* 23 *Hen. VIII.*, *as regards the tenement in the parish of All Saints, Hony Lane.—Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 19.

28. Anne Partridge, widow. Annuity of 20*l.* in consideration of services to the duke of Richemond and Somerset. York Place, 13 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm. 28 May. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 26.

6419. ——— to ———

R. O.

In answer to yours of the 30 May, being about to start in a day or two, I shall make you answer by mouth. I will only say that if his Holiness is dissatisfied, "che si havessino a rivedere q^te^ cose da tanti secoli determinare," he ought not to have committed the cause into England; and if he is further displeased at their taking such counsels here, he ought not to revoke the cause to Rome, having done which, it will be great impiety (*impietà*) to forbid the King to consult doctors and advocates. But I would not like your Lordship to talk of this with any other than myself.

Ital., p. 1, *mutilated.*

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6420. J. RUSSELL to CROMWELL.

The King has granted the Lord Chamberlain 100 marks yearly out of the lordship of Fernham, as keeper of the castle, and he desires Cromwell to make him out a patent, and to send him a form of a letter how the King should write to Wolsey for his consent, and for his sign and seal; and to tell him whether Wolsey or the chancellor of Winchester has the seal. Sends a letter to be forwarded to Wolsey, not that there is much in it, but he does not wish Wolsey to think he has forgotten him. After you left the King, "his Grace had very good communication of you." Hampton Court, 1 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Cromwell.

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Add. MS. 28,580, f. 102.
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6421. JO. PIETRO BISHOP OF CHIETI to CHARLES V.

Has received his letter of the 22nd ult. by Rodrigo Nigno. Is glad his services in the matter of the queen of England have given satisfaction. Has done what he did for the service of God and for the Holy See, but knew that it would be also for the service of the Emperor. As he has already notified to the Pope the request made to him on the part of the king of England, does not see what else he can do in the matter, without instructions from the Emperor. Venice, 1 June 1530.

Sp., pp. 2, *modern copy.*

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Add. MS. 28,580, f. 103.
B. M.

6422. RODRIGO NIÑO to [CHARLES V.]

Received on the 27th ult. the Emperor's letters of the 22nd, with others for the Doge and the bishop of Chieti. Has since expressed to the Signory, the Emperor's thanks for what they have done in the matter of the

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queen of England, saying that they had acted like Christians and Catholics, and requesting them to persevere. The Doge replied that they had seen with what good will they had made answer to the prothonotary Caracciolo, and to me, when we spoke about it, and that long before we arrived they had been requested to do something on behalf of the king of England; that I had also seen how persistent the English ambassador had been with them that day. On which they had great discussions, [the ambassador] expressing great regret for what they had done about the doctors of Padua, and urging them to comply with the King's request, which we might be sure that they would never do.

Describes a ceremony on Ascension Day (*qu.* Wedding of the Adriatic?), when the English ambassador was near him, and the Doge and the whole Signory went upon the water. Had some conversation with him about the Queen's matter, when he made excuses for himself and his brother, saying how they disapproved of what the King was doing, and how well satisfied your Majesty was with them, and how they had fallen into disgrace for telling the King what they thought of his cause. I said they had acted like good servants to tell him his error, and how he sinned against the whole of Christendom. We then came to speak of the lawyers, to whom he had spoken at Padua, Verona, and Vicenza, and he could not conceal the great doubt he had about the business.

I told him that as he had no doubt the affair was so bad that it could not be worse, he ought to ask the bishop of London and the Auditor, and this other ambassador lately come from the Emperor's court, what their opinion was after they had heard from him what he had found in these doctors to whom he had spoken. He told me that his brother had done so much with the Auditor as to persuade him that judges should be appointed, and the cause be brought before a tribunal, where the arguments between the King and the Queen might be heard. I replied, "You ought to say between the King and Mother Church, for this is what all Christendom must feel, and take up the cause as their own against the King; that this affair of the Queen must be settled with the King; that she is the daughter of queen Isabel, and the Emperor's aunt; and that the King will think well before he executes his design, as the Queen is so important a member of his kingdom; for that would be to forsake such a person as the queen of England,—and for what, except to marry as he pleased? And hereupon we touched upon other similar things, I telling him what good servants they were who undeceived him, and how bad those who forbore to do so. He admitted that I was right; and God knows what he and his brother have done in this; and your Majesty knows it also, and that all the mischief is done by the Auditor of the Chamber, and others who are with him in Bologna. What that is, I know not; but your Majesty may believe that every day they find themselves more embarrassed in this odious business.

Gave the Emperor's letter to the bishop of Chieti, and sends his answer. Wrote on the 25th all that had passed with the bishop of Vaison, and sent a copy of the conclusions desired by the king of England. Has nothing more to add on this subject. * * * Venice, 2 June, 1530.

Sp., pp. 10, *modern copy from Simancas.*

2 June. **6423.** [CROKE to STOKESLEY.]

Vit. B. XIII. 80 b. B. M.

"R^de^ in Christo pater." Gave your letters yesterday to Leonicus, who thanks you, but does not know any one at Rome whom he could ask to send you a horse; and does not think he could obtain your request from the

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auditor of the Chamber, as he knows him neither by face nor by fame. He asks Stokesley to procure a horse to be sent to Croke by the Bishop. Wishes him to obtain as soon as possible the letters to the friars, for in a fortnight the "Automana" are celebrated at Padua, where there will be a great concourse of friars. Urges him to obtain a letter from the bishop of Worcester before that day, as, if there is the slightest pretext of leave from the Pope, they will all be for us. Simonetus says that he will fight for us openly; that after the names had been subscribed, he had changed the word *posse* into *debere*, lest, if the conclusion were known at Rome, it might injure him or his friends. But this would be no detriment to the cause, for when leave had been obtained for all, *debere* could again be changed to *posse;* and when it was asserted that this marriage is prohibited by natural and divine law, it would necessarily follow that they must affirm that a marriage of this kind cannot be dispensed with. You have then the conclusion you wished. You have Simonetus' letters, asking you to trust what I write.

Come hither speedily, if you do not want to frustrate our attempts. Will hear from Simonetus of hindrances scarcely credible. Does not dare to write of them, lest Simonetus might be injured by its being known, especially now that his friends are engaged before the Pope in a question of 3,000 ducats.

The bishop of Vaison said that he would hinder the King's cause much more than he had hitherto done. These matters, however, are secrets between me and Simonetus. I do not wish you to have anything to do with him except about the subscriptions. It is reported here that the Pope and Emperor have agreed that the former shall in no way allow the King to be separated from his Queen, and the latter will not allow a General Council during Clement's life. "O libido! O iniquitas! O tyrannis!" You must see how necessary now will be friends like Simonetus, Thomas, and father Francis Georgius. The young Italian forgot to relate how often the auditor's servant persuaded him to induce Croke to return to England, for he could not endure the heat of Italy. "Vides ergo quam illi regis [causam] velint promoveri qui neminem patiuntur æquo animo ei fideliter [servire.] Quid responderit sibi senatus multis mendaciis ad te" * * *
The same person told Croke that he and his nephew had heard from an influential senator that the Prothonotary had put everything into confusion in the Senate about this matter; and that when he said to the bishop of Vaison (taking De Cassalis' word for it) that he believed the Pope allowed every one to speak freely, the Bishop replied that he was surprised, for the De Cassali had often told him that they were sorry that the King had commenced this cause, and that they had always opposed it.

Begs him, if he loves the King, not to put off coming hither. He can come secretly if he wishes. Will pay his expences for a time if he will lodge with him. His house, though not as magnificent as De Cassalis', is more elegant and more suitable for transacting the King's affairs. If he goes thither, none of our friends will go to see him, for they have all been offended by Cassale, and they fear that he is a spy of the Pope. Will rejoice to have him as a guest, and will take him to a beautiful church, and to gardens and porticos where any one can come to him freely without suspicion. Sent yesterday by a courier letters to the King, with a copy of the conclusion and the subscriptions, "quas mihi Simonet . . . . mentionem de omnibus quæ vel D. tuæ dederam mittenda vel apud eandem reliqueram, facta." Sends him a copy of Ghinucci's recent letter, and will show him, when he comes, what untruths it contains. Asks for a reply by the first messenger. If he were not waiting for him, would have been at Verona or elsewhere on the King's business. Venice, 2 June.

Draft, pp. 2, Lat., hol., mutilated.

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6424. [CROKE to ———.]

Vit. B. XIII. 81. B. M.

Sends the letters of Simonetus open, as he sent them open to the writer's house. Sends also the letters of Leonicus, who does not sleep in the King's cause. Was told by the Prothonotary yesterday that he thought the bishop of Vaison had not complained to the Senate, but to certain senators. Told him he wondered that he had not expostulated with the bishop of Vaison for his insult to the King, for the Bishop was here on the day he came. He replied that Croke had written, that he said the Bishop had complained to the Senate. "Vides ergo ut huic queamus c . . . . fidereque. Illud addo collocutum eum cum quibusdam secreto sed illos nec posse n[ec velle] determinare, (inconsulto senatu toto) responsum. An non vides igitur ut . . . . iste in literis ad te. Idem quam cito venit domum fratri Thomæ Omnibono . . . . exhibuisse nonnullas ipsius subscriptiones. Vides ergo ut iste ista trac . . . . a senatu habere non possum, obsecro te ut diem præscribas quo hu[c venias] ne contingat me abesse." * * *

Lat., p. 1, *hol., draft.*

Vit. B. XIII. 82. B. M.

2. "Conclusio Simoneti."

We, having consulted the undermentioned masters and doctors of theology, think that it is not lawful for a Christian to marry his deceased brother's wife, nor, having married her, to keep her, even if [the brother] died without children; for such a marriage is prohibited by Divine law, is contrary to reason and morals, and neither ought to be nor can be dispensed with.

Lat., p. 1. *In Croke's hand.*

6425. [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 81 b. B. M.

Encloses a copy of a letter of my lord of Worcester. Asks the King to note the confession of the feigned names which he sent to Croke; and his denial that he ever wrote concerning John Francis Marinus, which is contrary to letters of his, which the King already has. He calls him only by the name of a general, but Croke, in the letters to which his are an answer, called him by all three names; so that that excuse is of no use. Concerning his other denial, he wrote on 16 April. "Quod vero Paulo dederim literas regias huic deferendas, quod inquis facere non debueram, et eo magis faciam." Dares not write all that he perceives in handling the King's causes. Begs the King not to allow the Venetian ambassador or other Italians to see his letters, for fear of danger to Croke and the King's other solicitors here, and for fear of hindrance to his causes. If the King will dissemble his displeasure for a time, doubts not to compass his matters shortly.

Father Francis told him that when the bishop of Vaison burnt the names which he had got for the King, and threatened him, he said to the Bishop that De Cassalis avouched to him that the Pope was content that every man should freely and liberally speak his thoughts. To which the Bishop replied with indignation that he wondered that the De Cassalis should say this, for they had often said to him that they were grieved that the King should have entered on this matter, and they had always opposed it. If licence can be obtained everything is the King's. The ambassador says the Senate will never give answer, and Croke is sure they will not without other letters from the King. Is credibly informed that this is owing to the ambassador. "I sent your Highness by my lord [of] London, the xxvij. of May, letters, and with the copy of letters . . . . . very letters of my lord of Worcester's, and other for . . . . . such advice as I have written unto your Highness . . . . . [mo]st high causes here."

Draft, hol., p. 1.

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6426. CROKE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 415.

Sends a list of the Italian doctors who have subscribed to the King's cause.

With John Francis Marinus, provincial of the Friars Minors, 19;—with Francis Georgius, 22, who, with 9 already sent to the King, and 30 burnt at Vicentia, concluded absolutely that the Pope could not dispense;—and 3 who concluded that the cause of the King's dispensation was not sufficient;—with Thomas Omnibonus, 32;—being in all 87, without counting those burnt or the instrument of Padua.

Hol., pp. 4, *Lat. Add. Endd.*

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6427. THOMAS OMNIBONUS to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 320.

Relying on the strength of truth, promises to support the King's cause. Has done what he could to obtain the commendation and approval of others, as the signatures which he has shown to D. Richard (Croke) will testify. Will send him hereafter new signatures of approved men. The prothonotary John Casale asked him in the King's name for the conclusion he had written, and which he then gave to his brother Paul. Hears now that the Prothonotary has sent it to the Pope, and fears that some harm may happen to him in consequence.

Wishes to know whether the King has received it or not. Will not send the writings which prove his conclusion, until he has corrected them. Venice, 2 June 1530.

Lat., hol., p. 1. *Add.*

2. Copy of the above.

Lat., p. 1. *Add.*

6428. ——— to ———.

Vit. B.XIII.82. B. M.

Went, by desire of the ambassadors of the king of England, to the Pope, and asked in his name for his Holiness's permission for Italian theologians to determine by discussion, and writings, whether it is lawful, and whether the Pope can grant a dispensation for the marriage of a man with his deceased brother's wife, there being no children, to raise up seed for his brother. To this demand the Pope answered that he would allow every one to speak and write what they thought about this question.

Thinks it advisable to inform you of this, that, relying on the testimony of my letters, you and others may be encouraged to search for the truth in this most difficult question, and may express your opinion in words or writings without fear.

Desires these letters to be sent to Francis Crucinus, John Francis Mari[nus], Francis Georgius, Thomas Omnibonus, and Simon Ardeus *alias* S[imonetus].

Lat., copy, p. 1. *In Croke's hand.*

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6429. VAUGHAN to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Excuses himself for not writing; for, what with his continuance at Brussels and at Mechlin in a cause belonging to the Merchants Adventurers, he has been much wearied. I desired my brother, William Johanson, to inform you that I could not find in all Antwerp more than two *Cronica Cronicarum cum figuris*, and those very dear. I have lately heard from my brother "that ye think long for your book, and, lacking money to buy the same, you would send me some. This argueth that I would not lay out so much for you; but I say unto you, from the bottom of my heart, if you desired my coat you should have it, and also my cloak. Money I lack none

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to do my friend good. Less lack I for him whom above all friends I esteem." Now you shall receive it by Henry Susshe, skinner, who has promised to carry it at his saddlebow. I am sorry I cannot come before the Synxson Mart. Our governors will not allow it, although Richard Gresham wrote to them that my Lord Chancellor wished me to repair to London. Barrughe, 3 June.

P.S.—Commend me to your mother. Your man Avery desires to be commended. He is always with me.

Hol., p. 1.

3 June. **6430.** SIR HENRY WYAT.

R. O. Receipt by John Withers, receiver general of St. Paul's, from Sir Henry Wyett, farmer of Barons besides Mortelacke, Middx., of 24*l.* 10*s.* for a year and a half's rent. 3 June 22 Hen. VIII.

Also received by same from same, 25*l.*, for 50 qrs. of wheat.

P. 1. *In Withers' hand. Endd. by Wyat.*

3 June. **6431.** THOS. CROMWELL to WOLSEY.

R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. II. 156. Has received his letters by Thos. Rawlyns, and will answer them by his servant Rafe Sadleyr. Wolsey is much bound to the gentleman the bearer for his good report. He and such other have done Wolsey much good, and deserve thanks. London, 3 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Cardinal's grace.

4 June. **6432.** RUSSELL to CRUMWELL.

R. O. The Chamberlain tells him Crumwell has sent him all he wanted, and he now wishes him to write to the Cardinal about his purpose. Windsor, 4 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Cromewell.

4 June. **6433.** The BISHOP OF WORCESTER to [STOKESLEY].

R. O. St. P. VII. 239. After my last letter I was twice with the Pope to obtain some remedy against the breve which the Pope had made, and of which I sent you a copy. His Holiness answered that cardinal S. Quatuor affirms that the brief is valid, notwithstanding the objections that are made to it, and that he was ready to maintain it. I could get nothing more from his Holiness. As to any remedy for the acts of the bishop of Vaison at Venice, and leave for the King's ambassador to procure three opinions in the King's cause, his Holiness said that he did not think it right that universities and individuals should prescribe the law to him, and determine his authority; and he complained of what had been secretly done on our side in this matter. After much urging he said that our request was already provided for in his brief, by which all men are enjoined to say what they think according to their conscience. I urged that many were apprehensive of speaking, for fear of displeasing him; and requested him to write to his nuncio at Venice that he should take no offence if the persons to be nominated by our ambassador should freely express their opinions. He said he could write to the nuncio to do what was fitting, and would gratify the King's representatives in every way consistent with his honor. Write and let me know what is to be done. Rome, 4 June 1530. *Sealed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Copy in Stokesley's hand. Headed:* "Exemplum epistolæ Wigorn. episcopi ad me." *Endd.:* To the King's Highness.

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4 June. **6434.** [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Vit. B. XIII. 76 b. B. M.

Has received his letters dated Rome, 21 May and 1 June, saying that Croke is dearer to him than he could have hoped to deserve. Is pleased at his acceptance of his kindness to Remigius. Had no previous knowledge of what he writes about friar Francis. If he had known it, would have informed Ghinucci. Hopes that Francis' arrival will much assist the cause, if he can speak freely. Has destroyed Ghinucci's letters, and therefore cannot assert that he wrote about John Francis what he denies, but knows that when he wrote he had Ghinucci's letters and his own before him. Is glad that he can prove his innocence about the catalogue of fictitious names. Does not know why he consults Croke about the Prothonotary's letter concerning money, as he can himself decide about it, and Croke neither ought nor dares to interfere about the disposition of the King's money in Ghinucci's possession. Wonders at his doing it, for the Prothonotary said to Croke and to the ambassadors that Ghinucci had written to him to ask Croke for money to pay the doctors, when Croke needs much more than Ghinucci had sent, for he has obtained 70 signatures beside those obtained by Francis, some of which he has given to Stokesley, and the rest he will send.

Ghinucci writes that he has paid part of the 2,000 ducats without order from the King. To show that the King has ordered it, sends a copy of the letters which Vannes says he wrote by the King's order. Has already spent almost 500 gold pieces, and asks him to provide him with more money. Has sent the account to the King, and again asked him not to forget Ghinucci's kindness to Croke, "sed thesaurario ut tibi . . . . . antur omnia mandat." Venice, 4 June.

Lat., draft, hol., p. 1, *mutilated.*

4 June. **6435.** WM. LORD SANDYS to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Thanks him for his trouble about the letter and patent, which he has received by Cromwell's servant, the bearer. Returns it engrossed, and asks him to send it to the Cardinal, and solicit the patent. Windsor, 4 June.

Since writing, hears that his letter cannot be signed so soon. Does not wish to detain the bearer, but will send it as soon as possible. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my loving friend Mr. Cromwell.

6 June. **6436.** WILLIAM POULET to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Have received your letters by your servant Rawlyns. Much business has grown on the confirmation of your patents, "for that they passed not the chapter seal according to the mind of the parties." All things are now well stayed, "unless it be my lord of Norfolk's patent, which was confirmed with words contrary to his mind, and without my knowledge." I have explained to him that a new patent would be sent to you to sign and seal. Do it freely, with as gentle letters as you can, as it will do you much good. Your manors, &c. are in good order. Before Michaelmas I shall spend 200*l.* in reparations. The more you content the King and Norfolk, the better speed you will have. Since it is the King's pleasure to have you "absent from that diocese," you must thank him for his goodness to it, "and also to stablish you with so good and so wise a convent" as you have of the convent of Winchester. I have no doubt of fulfilling your wishes touching your servant Rawlyns. I shall always be ready to lend you the 100*l.* I promised, and would have sent them by Cromwell or Thomas Rawlyns, if they had been going to you. Appoint Cromwell to receive it, or some one else, that it may be laid out at your pleasure. London, 6 June.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* To the most reverend father in God and my singular good lord, my Lord Cardinal.

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7 June. **6437.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 125. B. M.

Along with the Emperor's letter of the 22nd May, and afterwards with a letter of the Comendador Major de Leon of the 29th, received copies of what Rodrigo Niño had written from Venice upon the affair of the queen of England. What has since happened in the business is that the same ambassadors have sent to Bologna both Dr. Benet who came from the Emperor, and the bishop of London, whom they ordered to return into France, and there, with the aid of Raphael Casal, who is a Bolognese, have been endeavoring to obtain the votes of the lawyers. The Pope, being forewarned, has ordered his legate and governor to counteract them; and they have managed so that the English have been able to obtain only two or three votes. Has given notice to the Pope that the English intend to make a similar effort at Perosa, and he has taken measures accordingly. Has, however, written to Don Lope de Soria at Sienna to obtain all the opinions he can there, or at least that of Philip Decio, who lectures there, and is the greatest man of all Italy. Has sent a copy of the case to the president in Castile, that the lawyers may take more time to study it. Sends another copy to the Emperor. Has had some conversations with the advocate and proctors of the Emperor and Queen. At last commenced the cause, which has proceeded for two terms by contumacy (*por contradictas que llaman aca, lo que en España se dice por rebeldia*), no one appearing for the King; and so we shall proceed, although we have little time, it being the eve of the holidays.

On this account I besought the Pope the other day to give a *signatura* that the cause might proceed, notwithstanding the holidays. He said he wondered that the Queen and we had not seen fit to do anything extraordinary in this matter. I said neither your Majesty nor the Queen desired any special favors.

Hears that the English ambassadors enter today; and the Pope has told me that he understands from them the King will be content to promise not to attempt anything there, provided the Pope and we are willing not to proceed here on our side. I said this proposal had already been discussed several times at Bologna, and that I would not cease to demand justice unless I had orders from your Majesty. The auditor of the Chamber thinks these ambassadors have come to get the matter settled (*a que se viesse esto*) since your Majesty would not have it done at Bologna; and he believes the king of England would be content to agree with us about the persons who shall give judgment on it; but to this I shall by no means consent without orders from your Majesty.

The Pope has told me more plainly what I wrote to your Majesty that he knew very well, namely, that owing to the death of a lady to whom the duke of Norfolk had married, or intended to marry, his son, they have treated to marry the same son to the princess of Wales; for which reason Boleyn has lost much hope of the marriage of Mrs. Anne with the King; and the King has spent much money in buying goods and lands for the support of the lady. This is thought to be evidence that he begins to give up hope of his suit, because, if he meant to make her queen, she would have no need of these things. Rome, 7 June 1530.

Sp., pp. 5, modern copy from Simancas.

8 June. **6438.** WM. PAULET to WOLSEY.

R. O.

On Monday last I was at your three weeks' court, held in the Clynk. Have given orders to the tenants, and intend to survey the place and the implements, of which the prior of St. Mary's, Overy, has an inventory. Have taken surety of Wm. Chaundeler, who occupies as your bailiff, and

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ordered him to let me know your pleasure. He is called very strait in his room, and says he is my lord of Suffolk's servant. On my return from Hampshire I purpose to see your manor of Assher. Certain gentlemen of Surrey made great labor to you to prefer a young man to be abbot of Chertsey; I beg your Grace will be careful in the election. Wednesday in Whitsun week.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my Lord Cardinal's grace. *Endd.*

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6439. HENRY VIII. to FRANCIS I.

Has received his letters by Jean Berthelemy, councillor of the parliament of Toulouse, about the dispute between him and De Bevres touching the lordship of Crevecueur. Has discussed the matter with him, and given him an answer which he hopes will satisfy Francis. Windsor, 8 June 1530.

Fr., p. 1, *modern copy.*

8 June. Add. MS. 28,580, f. 112. B. M.

6440. FRANCIS and CHARLES V.

Copy made, 8 June 1530, by Francis Bouret, canon of Tournon, almoner of the French king, and secretary of the cardinal de Tournon, and John de Larrandoette, curé of St. Martin de Bomint, Dax dioc., notaries apostolic, of an instrument made by them on 3 June 1530, 6 Clement VII., in the old castle at Bayonne, stating that on that day Sir Francis Brian informed Loys de Flandres, lord of Praet, councillor and chamberlain, and William des Barres, lord of Recin, secretary of Charles V., his ambassadors, that, in accordance with the treaty of Cambray of 5 Aug. last, the King had commissioned the cardinal de Tournon, Anne de Montmorency, great master and marshal of France, and the bishop of Bayonne, to deliver the obligations and jewels to the Emperor, by letters patent dated London, 19 Feb. 1529, 21 Hen. VIII. He therefore offered to deliver the obligations and the *fleur de lys* on the delivery of the dauphin of Viennois and the duke of Orleans; but the Emperor's ambassadors objected to an obligation for 32,000 florins given by the late emperor Maximilian, 3 July 1512, as no mention had previously been made of it, and desired time to consult the Emperor or the Archduchess. The English ambassador then offered to deliver the letters of general quittance on the delivery of the French princes, as his master desired their freedom and the observance of the treaty, but without prejudice to his right to the said obligation of 32,000 fl.

Present:—Antony de Bourg, LL.D., lieutenant civil of Paris, and president of the Queen Mother's council, Philip Vaucher, greffier de Dole, the Queen's secretary, John de le Sauch, secretary of the Emperor and the Archduchess, William Preudhomme, general of the King's finances, and Gilbert Bayart, secretary of his finances, general of Brittany.

Fr., pp. 10, *modern copy from French archives formerly at Simancas.*

8 June. Add. MS. 28,580, f. 138. B. M.

6441. JUAN ANTONIO MUSETTULA to CHARLES V.

The Pope has made the bishop of Tarbes a cardinal. Hears that the king of England is getting the colleges and the divines in France to declare that the Pope could not dispense in the marriage of the Queen, and that, having obtained the declaration of the canonists and divines, including some in Italy as well as his own, he wishes to effect the divorce without waiting for any other declaration from the Pope. Has told the Pope such an intrigue is diabolical, and more against his Holiness than against any one, because it will indirectly create a practice of having councils against

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the force of truth; and it was not to be suffered that divines or canonists as a college should determine that which belonged solely to the Court of Rome to declare. I accordingly urged him strongly to do two things: first, to proceed with the cause diligently, that a declaration from his Holiness might stop these informal opinions; secondly, that he should prohibit the colleges under censures from declaring any opinion upon the subject, without intimating it to his Holiness. Rome, 8 June 1530.

Sp., pp. 6, *modern copy from Simancas.*

8 June. **6442.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 140. B. M.

Headed: "A su Mag^t de M. Mai, viij. de Junio de DXXX."

After he had written the other three letters which go with this, a Spanish friar arrived from England with letters from the ambassador, and told me that he had promised there to discuss the matter of the King's divorce in the general chapter of the Dominicans, which is to be held here. I told this to the cardinal of Osma, that he might know those friars. It appeared to the Pope, to Musetula, and to me that it was [well] to create a disturbance among those friars, and the English would do the contrary, and thus the play would be equal. This your Majesty did not think advisable at Bologna, so I have requested his Holiness that he should carefully and without scandal obtain the opinion of those friars here before they go,—at all events, of those who appear to him most judicious,—that he might make use of their opinions afterwards.

Yesterday the bishop of Vaison arrived, who was with your Majesty for the Pope. I saw him in the palace, and thanked him before the Pope for the good service he had done at Venice to his Holiness and your Majesty. Has already written that the Pope had told him he had good hopes of the matter of England, in consequence of the new marriage which was treated for the Princess. Yesterday he showed me an extract of a letter from France, stating that the king of England had sent a man to thank *la camara de las Scripturas* at Paris for the hope they have given him of obtaining documents there touching a similar case, which a king of France and of England did with consent of the Pope, and also for soliciting the votes of the doctors of Paris, as a college, saying that this is with the consent of your Majesty. And he said that he has almost all their votes individually, and that the matter has already been decided for him in a college of the canonists, and that they are still getting the opinions of divines in his favor; and another university of France, called, I believe, Anges, has written that they have found an old book written by a contemporary of St. Dominic, in favor of the King; and that a Carmelate friar, Jacobo de Lodi, who had gone upon some business into Scotland, has returned thither, and is advocating the king of England's cause, while another, Mons. de Giles, solicits it on the part of the French king. This friar says that the king of England told him in secret something which it would have been well for the Pope if he had regarded more, for it is worth a million of gold, and he would not say what it was, and that the king of England only waited the judgment of the universities to justify himself here at Rome, and to carry out his purpose. The letter was from Alberto de Carpi to the Pope, but his Holiness desired that it might be secret. I said the man was always more hot than he ought to be, but that it might be well to act upon it as if it were true, and that unless the Pope forbade the universities giving any opinion no king would have any need of the Holy See, but would obtain from two or three universities an opinion in favor of anything he wished to do.

Sp., pp. 3, *modern copy from Simancas.*

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9 June. **6443.** MAI to the COMENDADOR MAYOR FRANCISCO DE LOS COBOS.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 143. B. M.

This morning congratulated the cardinal of Tarbes on his promotion. Took occasion, however, to tell him that he understood the French king was endeavoring to obtain votes in favor of the king of England from the university of Paris, which he could not have believed, as we had agreed together to tell each other openly everything material to the preservation of the amity, and it was little to the credit of the French king that Mons. de Langeais should solicit votes in his name. He said he did not believe it, but would write about it * * * Rome, 9 June 1530.

Sp., pp. 3, modern copy from Simancas.

9 June. **6444.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 238.

The King will learn by the letters of the bishop of London what has been done with the jurists and theologians of Bologna, &c. He will also see that I found it necessary to go to Rome with a view to his business, and I shall leave tomorrow. I wish the King had placed the business in my hands whilst the Pope and the Emperor were here, for then it might have been managed with much less trouble, nor would the Imperialists have obtained any number of the Dominicans. I have written fully to Guron. I have the signatures of the theologians of Bologna, and before I leave will obtain the approbation of the college, with the college seal. Bologna, 9 June 1530. *Signed.*

Lat. Add. Endd. by Wyat.

9 June. **6445.** [CROKE to STOKESLEY.]

Vit. B. XIII. 87. B. M.

"I assure you they were and ever shall be unto me a great dis . . . . considering my pains and diligence taken with such effect as iiij. . . . . ye vj. afore me brought to no like compass." Did not send the letter of which Stokesley writes at first, for lack of money and a trusty messenger, but left it with him, because he heard that Perusa was on the way to Rome, and he thought that no one could deliver it more effectually than one of the men who was sent for that cause. If Stokesley does not care to be troubled with hearing of Croke's troubles in the King's cause, but will wink at them for the pleasure of other men, who fear that, by his fidelity and Croke's diligence, their negligence and infidelity will be espied, begs him to return the letter without displeasure, for he is sure that he will lose some honor that else he might have.

If he thought that all the bills and writings which he has obtained for his Grace would be no more available than this letter, would burn them all for shame and sorrow. Even if the writings and papers were nought, yet he would be worthy to be excused, as he has followed Stokesley's and other men's instructions. If he has not done well, he has done better than any other who has had the handling of those matters before him. Is glad to labor and jeopard his life to serve his Prince truly, and to be called a "brabeller" for opening the traitorous dealing of his familiar adversaries. Would never have meddled in this matter, which was sore against his will, if it had not been for his love and trust in Stokesley's learning and goodness. Is not content to meddle any more, but will make all the suit he can to the King to return home, for he is loth to displease Stokesley or any other of the ambassadors by showing what he could not conceal without being untrue to his Prince. Offers to be hanged, drawn, and quartered if the Cassali ever do the King any good, and do not injure him and his causes in every possible way, and beguile Stokesley and the other ambassadors. Jacobus and other Jews who came lately from Bologna report the Pope's

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displeasure, and that Helyas, w[hose] opinion so many subscribed gladly and without stop, cannot now get one to subscribe, "and scantly . . . . . [so] that if ye come not hither betimes by his good . . . . . [we may] hap lose both father Francis a[nd oth]er * * * and fellowship, than the King's profit and pleasure in this high and good cause, set light of my information, not of such handling and dealing of them that are bound to further his causes, nor by no means trust them whom ye see thus deal." Neither for Stokesley's nor any other's command, will trust them more than he needs.

When Stokesley comes he shall know what he would never have believed, and what he will be sorry to know. Never was noble prince so disappointed of his purpose, and delayed by "faytours;" and because his ambassador partly winks at and partly cloaks it, matters are likely to miscarry which else would do marvellously well. Will then have to bear the burden, by reason of Stokesley's and others misreports of his labors. Thinks it best to depart betimes with little displeasure than to tarry for more; for more he is sure of, if, like a true man to God and his prince, he plainly utters the untruth of these Italians, and Stokesley is displeased with him for doing so.

"By the provocation of them that care not what they spend the King and do him good," Paduanus, of whom the Prothonotary writes, has subscribed Francis' work, which the King now has. Those with whom Stokesley spoke at Bologna he is sure of as a flea in his purse. Hopes their reasoning with him was not to espy his reasons, and show them to the Pope. Is trying to get a sight of a book against the King by Felix, an Augustine friar, formerly a Jew. The Emperor's favorers in Padua and Venice are Aleander, the bishop of Chieti, and as many as our ambassador can gain. Has answered everything else in his last letter. If Stokesley goes to Casale, none of the King's friends will come to him, and he cannot go there privately. Asks him to come to his house, which, though not so big as the ambassador's, is pleasant and commodious. Venice, 9 June.

Draft, hol., p. 2, mutilated.

9 June. **6446.** [CROKE to STOKESLEY.]

Vit. B. XIII. 86. B. M.

Received late tonight his two letters dated the 28th and the 29th. It will be hard to find in Venice more to favor our cause than we have already found, though he has not slept or been slothful. Does not approve of his advice to cause those who dare not subscribe openly to give their subscriptions to their friends, for it is not to be supposed that their friends, who perhaps will "collude" us, will do anything against them. Besides, many will pretend to be on our side, as many have already done, in order to learn our arguments. Your Lordship's hope to force them by shame at least not to be against us will be frustrate, either because they will lack shame, or because they will be sure that their friends will do nothing to shame them. As yet no such slack dealing is needed. In other places, where the ambassadors have not interfered, there is no earthly stop, as Croke will show him when he comes.

Thanks him for the assurance of his favor, and doubts not that he has largely deserved it, if there were nothing else than his good heart and diligence in coming here to serve the King, trusting only to Stokesley's conscience and learning, as nakedly as any man might come, without any instructions in words or writing. As to leaving good Mr. Cranmer behind to solicit Stokesley to be good lord to him (though then there was great need of it, for he perceived that, by the procuring of Dr. Benet and others, Stokesley seemed displeased with him for showing the untrue dealings and crafty lets which Cassale worked in the King's matter), would

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rather he knew from other men what Cassale has done at Verona, at Vicenza, and in the Senate. The slanderous reports of the King's cause made to Crucinus caused him to surcease of his good mind to the King, "the which . . . . . father Francis is won again, as by the copy of his letter . . . . . appear. As concerning all your exhortations in you,"
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Hol., draft, p. 1, *mutilated.*

10 June. **6447.** ROBERT SMYTHE to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Has delivered his letters to Master Mores [and] Master Hennygh. Has had no answer yet, except that Hennygh said, "Would to God that your Grace would content yourself with that you have, and there is no doubt but that the King will be good and gracious to your Grace." It is said that Wolsey makes much more building there than he does, because he has men from London; and though we deny it, we cannot be believed. It is also much spoken of, that Wolsey takes Master Donington as his steward, who is not beloved in that country. Smythe made answer that "he never had staff in his hand." It is also objected that Wolsey has taken away an office he had granted to Master Edwards. Master Stobes says that he has no money for Wolsey, as he told Master Cromwell. He is now at Kingston, and on coming to London will provide a piece of bodkin or cloth of gold. Master Estton says Wolsey will get no wine from him this year, and Master Amadas that he has no plate for him. Perceives that he will deliver none unless Wolsey send him old plate. "And also as sone as here yes anny shepes off Hwol (ships of Hull) yowre Grace shal have qwales." Sends other news. Every man speaks much honor of Wolsey here, "in ordering of yourself among the gentleman in that country." Has made Wolsey's recommendations to those he named, and to many others, who heartily ask after him, as Master Treasurer, Master Controller, and Master Secretary. Most of the gentlemen in court came to him to know how Wolsey did, and were glad to hear of his behavior. Master Alward is at Ipswich, but he made answer for Wolsey's chapel books to Master Cromwell. "And as for mo bokes, we cannot get of Mayster Stobes. He sath that he yes in a premynary (*præmunire*), and cannot tel how he shal do. The Kynges hygnes thath gywen to Mayster Secretary, Hanword, terem off hys lyffe." The King is at Windsor. Cannot tell how long he will be there. London, 10 June.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

10 June. **6448.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O.
Rym. XIV. 392.

Sentence of the university of Bourges against marriage with a brother's widow. Bourges, 10 June 1530.

Lat., vellum.

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Rym. XIV. 393.

2. Sentence of the university of Bologna to the same effect. Bologna, 10 June 1530.

Lat., vellum.

12 June. **6449.** ——— to FRANCIS I.

Le Grand, III. 458.

According to what I have already written to you, I have deferred till today to present your letters to the dean and doctors of theology of this university, always hoping that meanwhile you would obtain possession of the children, and that afterwards we might more surely satisfy the king of England without fear of irritating the Emperor by so doing, or causing any delay in the delivery of the children. I should have been glad if I could have dissembled further, without creating more distrust in the king of

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——— to FRANCIS I.—*cont.*

England's men, which might have been done, if we had more good men in this faculty. But I almost fear I have dissembled too much already; for if, on the one hand, we must avoid irritating the Emperor, on the other, it may be feared that the king of England, irritated by long dissimulation, will either cause Bryant to withdraw without doing anything, or find means to attain his object with the consent of the Emperor, and that on the approach of a third party Herod and Pilate will be made friends. A consideration of these dangers has induced me to present your letters. There were present, the bishop of Senlis, abbots of Premontré, Chailly, Missy, St. Martin, Laon, Vendosme, Foucambault, and others, with several deans, archdeacons, &c., all assembled by your commandment. In their presence I declared how the king of England, finding a great scruple of conscience about having married his brother's widow, which he conceived, for reasons which would be explained to them by his ambassadors, to be clearly unlawful, nevertheless desired to have their opinion upon the matter, not in the way of judgment, which they might be afraid to give, but only in form of counsel and doctrine (*par forme de conseil et doctrinalement*). For this reason he would have asked Francis to obtain their opinions for him, had it not been that the ambassadors of the Emperor, who was also now the ally of France, would have shown them that the queen of England was his aunt, and he would feel himself affronted if she were repudiated without reason. And for this cause they would have urged you not to allow any wrong to be done to her by the learned men of your kingdom. Seeing, therefore, that you could not refuse the request of two such allies for such counsel of learned men as you yourself would take, believing that both parties only desired to act according to reason* and conscience, you had convoked the faculty in such number as never was seen before, enjoining them, after commending themselves to God, and celebrating a mass of the Holy Spirit, to examine and discuss the articles proposed to them, all favor or fear set aside, and deliver their determination to such as you should appoint to receive it.

Beda followed me, saying that the faculty were aware of the desire of Francis to satisfy the king of England. To which, fearing that he would say too much, and that several Spaniards, Italians and Flemings, who belonged to the faculty, might take occasion to impute partiality in behalf of England, I replied, that undoubtedly the friendship between you and Henry was such that you could not refuse to undertake for him anything that you justly might; but in the matter in question, neither he could ask you, nor you him, to grant anything that was not just, the Emperor being likewise your ally, but only an impartial judgment. After this, I departed to leave them free to conclude.

Those who first deliberated were of opinion that your request was so reasonable that it could not be refused, even to the poorest person. Others thought that the faculty being subject to the Pope, from whom they have so many privileges, and as it was a matter that concerned his power, they ought not to discuss it without sending to him to know his intention, or at least to you, to know if you were aware of this opinion. Others agreeing with this, thought that while their letters should be conveyed to you, they should nevertheless begin to discuss the matter before the answer came, and when it did come, if you agreed with their remonstrances, they might suspend their deliberation. There were others, who neither approved the first nor third opinion, but adhered to the second, adding that the Pope had forbidden the matter to be discussed, and had already twice admonished the king

* Here the editor has a marginal note, stating that it appears by the letters of La Pommeraye, who was then at Brussels with the queen of Hungary, that great complaint was made there that the Emperor's ambassadors were not allowed to assemble the university of Louvain in behalf of Katharine.

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of England. Other persons of authority replied to this,—1st, that their privileges depended on you as well as the Pope, and that they were in your kingdom; 2ndly, that it was an imputation on the Pope's honor to say that he had prohibited consolation being given to the wounded conscience of a Christian, and that such a prohibition ought not to be obeyed; 3rdly, that it was monstrous to use, in that company, such language of a Prince allied to the King their master, who had hitherto shown his zeal for Christianity, and for the union and peace of the Church. While the beadle was collecting the names and opinions, one of our masters rose up, plucked the roll out of his hands, and tore it up; on which they all rose tumultuously, saying that enough had been done, and that the majority were of opinion not to consult without writing to you and the Pope.

Thus the assembly dissolved. The English ambassadors, who were walking in a gallery and witnessed the scene, retired to their lodgings greatly dissatisfied. They complained to me that the result had been planned by Beda and his accomplices, and that I refused to believe them when they told me so. They began writing of the matter to the King their master, and to the earl of Wiltshire. Fearing that their report might occasion trouble hereafter, I went to speak with the president, who called to him Beda, Barthelemy, Tabaty, and other authors of this discord, and after a good deal of remonstrance got them to promise that they would meet next morning, and at least conclude according to the third opinion, viz., to begin deliberating until your answer should come. This done, I returned to the English ambassadors, and persuaded them to defer writing, for God's sake.

This morning the faculty re-assembled, and concluded as above, appointing Monday next to commence their deliberations, and that the conclusion to be taken by them shall be sent, closed and sealed, to your hands, to deliver to whom you think good. The English ambassadors do not yet appear entirely satisfied. They told me roundly that they knew quite well, all that is concluded is merely to feed the King and them with words, and to keep their beaks in the water, on pretence that the matter will be discussed, though they know that no conclusion will be come to. They have some reason for saying so, for there are persons who publicly boast that the decision will be annulled in a year. If you wish to preserve the friendship of England you had better write to Dominique le Mercier, the present dean of the faculty, a man willing to obey you, that he shorten the matter without giving heed to useless and impertinent allegations. As I have been taken to task about the matter of Beda, I may state that Beda really did hold conversations to that effect with a doctor, who remonstrated with him on his intended opposition to your will. On which he replied that he knew what he was doing, and did it for your service, which the doctor might report to whomsoever he pleased. This I thought dangerous, and reported to the president, who summoned Beda before him in the church of Notre Dame, showed his powers and the danger he might occasion to you, and made him swear expressly, not only not to prevent your letters being obeyed, but to do his utmost, as if for his own life, to get the thing passed without scandal. This promise I did not at first trust, inasmuch as he had begun this plot in violation of a former promise. But as I saw the president was disposed to trust him, I did not wish to write to you again about it, or to let the ambassadors write to my lord of Wiltshire. Mons. de Senlis is anxious to be with you to tell you about the conduct of this faculty, and ask you to reform it, which is very necessary; and they are of opinion that when you have recovered the children, you should make such demonstration "de ceux qui vous ont mis en cest accessoire," that others may be more wise. Paris, 9 June.

P.S.—I have kept this letter for want of a messenger. The said ambassadors have shown me letters of yours of the 27th ult., according to which

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——— to Francis I.—*cont.*

the said president had intended to be yesterday at the Congregation, and present your letters to the faculty, but he has not been able to do so from illness. I have presented them by his command. While I was with our said masters the English ambassadors arrived; one of whom, in speaking of this matter, was heard to say that we should not esteem them such novices as to abuse them on pretence of treating the matter, and conclude nothing, and that they intended to proceed in such fashion that Francis should know that, all amity set apart, he had declared himself the friend of a prince who was not ungrateful, and who would not refuse him that which could not be refused in conscience to any person in the world. Thus you will see they suspect that the opposition of the doctors is with your consent. It might be advisable to write a word to the earl of Wiltshire, for fear he prejudice his master too much, and perhaps also to De Vaux. Paris, 12 June.

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13 June. **6450.** Stokesley to [Henry VIII.]

R. O. St. P. VII. 239.

On Monday a letter came to me from the bishop of Worcester, dated Rome, Whitsun even, of which I send a copy. I have also received from him the brief of which I wrote last. You may now see what favor is to be expected from the Pope, and his sincerity in wishing you to believe that by his brief he was willing every man should write in your cause according to his conscience; for he evidently means the reverse. He was plainly irritated by your words respecting Florence, which he more regards than ever he did any victory in his life; and when the bishop of Vasona showed him the success of your agents there, he devised these inhibitions.

The courier who arrived here on the first Saturday of May, and passed to Rome, crossed from England to Flanders for fear of being searched. Antonio de Vivaldis despatched him. The prince of Orange goes to lay siege to Pisa. The Emperor's chancellor is dead of apoplexy; the marquis of Montferrat, by a fall from his horse; and his sister is his heir, whom the marquis of Mantua abandoned at the Emperor's request. Bologna, 13 June.

I have the determination of the theologians at this university under their common seal.

Hol. Endd.

14 June. **6451.** Cardinal Colonna to Mai.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 149. B. M.

"Affairs of the abbot of Farfa.

"England is so much bent on obtaining the divorce, that it will make common cause with France to oppose the interests of the Emperor in Italy.

"No date. No signature.

"Endorsed by the Secretary of State, Idiaquez:—Copy of a letter of the Cardinal Colonna to Micer Mai. Italian copy enclosed in a letter of Micer Mai to the Emperor, dated 14 June 1530. P. 1."

English abstract of a MS. at Simancas.

14 June. **6452.** Mai to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 145. B. M.

Wrote on the 7th what had been done about the affair of the queen of England. It is becoming more and more important, for the English ambassadors are using every effort, and have not only said at Bologna what I wrote to your Majesty, that the Pope would lose the obedience of that kingdom, but that if he did not comply with their wishes the King would lend the Florentines 100,000 ducats. Have nevertheless pursued

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their plea of contumacy against the King, and now we are to draw up articles (*agora se ha de articular*); but these lawyers are much confused, and I too, at not being able to procure anything in England, and not possessing either the originals or authentic copies. (*Marginal note by Cobos:*—Because the original brief is here, which is too important to be sent abroad, "siendo menester se abtornara (?) con el Cardenal y que se embiara.")

I have demanded two things of the Pope:—First, to give us a brief forbidding the university of Paris or any other to write in this matter *collegialmente*, as they are not well informed, not having heard the parties. (*Marginal note:*—Let them labor to get this brief for Paris.) Secondly, a brief to enable us to proceed in the cause, notwithstanding the holidays of the first week of July, which is a thing commonly given in causes of importance. Yesterday Dr. Benet was at the palace to kiss the Pope's foot. The bishop of London remains at Bologna, we know not why; it is said, to recover from some illness, though we never heard he was ill. When I heard Benet had left, I visited the palace, and found the Pope much disturbed. He showed me a Latin letter from the king of England, making great complaints of the Pope, that he did not answer his expectations; for the Pope had expressed his willingness to give audience to the bishop of London in this matter, *y que se lo havia embiado a Bolonna*, and would not listen to him,—which was not acting judicially; and that if his Holiness continued to delay the matter till September, Henry promised him that nothing new should be done there, and that he would wait and endure anything sooner than complain of his Holiness, *que despues no podria dexar dello aunque forçado.*

The Pope says he never asked to hear the bishop of London until the latter importuned him at Bologna, when he told him *que no tenia porque si havia de subir su juicio;* also he denies having promised to prorogue the cause till September unless he had obtained a surety that the king of England would not do anything new on his part, because England and the Emperor, being nearer each other than to him, might have arranged it among themselves, and he never promised more. I replied in jest, that now I should see if he would give me the brief for proceeding during the holidays. I was very suspicious of this delay till September, which is two or three times alluded to in the letter, fearing that it would encourage them to new devices.

Arguments used to the Pope against delay. They say it is the duke of Norfolk's daughter-in-law who is dead, and that Boleyn desires to marry his (the Duke's) son to Mistress Anne,—which may be believed as being good for all parties; first, for her, as she cannot marry the King, that she should marry the greatest lord in the realm; and secondly, to the King, as he cannot marry her. This is the third version of the story; I hope the true one at last. Yesterday the auditor of the Chamber and Benet asked brother Felice de Prato to write for the King, and he refused, neither would he show them what he had written on our behalf. Rome, 14 June 1530.

Further remarks of Cobos on the above letter, generally approving of Mai's conduct, and urging him to insist on the commission to proceed during the holidays, and to get the Pope to excommunicate the King if he proceed on the opinions of the universities.

Sp., pp. 8, *modern copy from Simancas.*

15 June. **6453.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 153. B. M.

P.S. to a letter of 14 June.*

Since writing yesterday, the proctors of the queen of England applied for process of contumacy against the king of England, which the judge not

* Not the letter immediately preceding, but another, of which a copy will be found at f. 157. The body of this letter contains nothing about English affairs.

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only refused to admit, but recalled those which we had already made, saying that the Pope had commanded him not to proceed in the cause without first giving him a reason, because he was not satisfied as to the principle,—an excuse evidently meant to put the matter over the holidays.

Today, in chapel, at the vespers of Corpus Christi, I told Dr. Benet that I had to proceed in this cause, and wished to intimate it to him that if he had a mandate he should present it in judgment, and if not, I should be discharged of having done what was right.† He acknowledged my courtesy, and said he had no power, because the King, thinking that the cause would not proceed till September, had sent him no instructions. This looks like a *ruse* to excuse the Pope for not granting the commission we desire. He said further that he hoped the cause would come to a good end, and that the Pope had already told him that I would do nothing for 20 days, and it would be best to be liberal in a matter in which one could not excuse oneself, for nothing would be gained by one or two terms, *que haria en contradictas;* which would only irritate the King, "y que si ay el supiera lo que supo en Boloña donde le alcançaron los poderes e instructiones de su Rey que el lo impetrara de V. M. y que si supiera que era llegado el embaxador que ha de venir por su rey a V. M. que se lo hoviera escripto con esto correo, y que esto es servicio de la Reyna."

I told him that your Majesty had given frequent orders to prorogue, and I, for my part, had done the same without consulting you or the Queen, and that now I would not dare to do so.

‡ Has received letters today from Don Lope de Soria, who says that he has spoken with Philip Decio, a great professor at Sienna, to whom I had written to ask his vote on our behalf, and that he has excused himself because the English have already given him money; nevertheless, hearing what Don Lope told him, he would consider the matter well. And so I have written to him again, to see if we could do what my host at Bologna did, that, great man as he is and well read, he may undeceive them‖

* * * Rome, Eve of Corpus Christi, 15 June 1530.

Sp., pp. 4, *modern copy.*

14 June. Add. MS. 28,580, f. 163. B. M.

6454. DR. GARAY to CHARLES V.

Thanks the Emperor for his letter, dated Inspruck, 7 May. Hopes he will always endeavor to preserve Christendom from error. Will do what the Emperor has commanded. Has instructed Francis Bonvalot to take measures to prevent this faculty from deciding, knowing that the most of the doctors were suborned, and had signed to the invalidity of the marriage. I notified the same thing to Madame (Margaret). Had no remedy, notwithstanding the diligence of the Imperial ambassadors, for the King has expressly commanded by two letters that the question be there determined. The utmost violence and disorder have prevailed in the Council. Many of those who favor the Queen are either dying or dare not speak, or absent themselves. It is three days since they began to deliberate. I beg your Majesty immediately to get the Pope to dissolve this Council under censures, annulling all that has been done, and depriving those who favored the King of England of all their benefices. Has sent a messenger to the Queen and to Madame informing them of everything. Has been told that the king of England has been twice admonished to do his duty to the Queen, and has

† Here occurs a marginal note, apparently by the Emperor: "Que le ha parecido mal y lo ha sentido y asy se ha dicho al legado."

‡ Marginal note, that he will do well.

‖ "por ver si podriamos hazer lo que hizo mi huesped de Boloña que tambien es grande hombre y despues de bien estudiado los desengaño."

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appealed. If a third admonition has been conveyed to him, we will shorten these disputes, especially if I have a copy of it. Of the eighty doctors here there are not more than ten whose life and learning give any weight to their opinion, for all the world knows the rogueries and lying they have practised on me these three months. Paris, 15 June 1530.

Sp., pp. 4, *modern copy from French archives formerly at Simancas.*

15 June. **6455.** The Earl of Wiltshire to [Norfolk?]

[Cal.E.I.107.] * * *

B. M. ". . . . . Monser Darlosel (?) whom we . . . . . [despatched in the] after noon the same day, to thentent we might [make known] unto your Lordship what had been doon here in [the King's] cawse sithe the date of our last letters sent unto [the said] King. It may therfore like your Lordeship to v[nderstand] . . . . . Monday, whereas upon Satursdaye last it was . . . . . ed and concludyd in the hole facultee that v . . . . . y folow, &c.

[Whic]he things to remove, we thinke it shall moche conf[er if that the] Frenche king shall styll [press] and contynually call upon th[e faculty by] letters [commanding them to resecat†] conceaved unde[r such a] sorte as we signified unto your Lordship in our last pa[cket] . . . . a to resecate all delayes, and with all of what imp[ediments] . . . . . they be, and with all acceleration determyne their opyn[ion] . . . . accordyngly. Item, furthermore it may like your [Lordship to] onderstande that whereas in your last letters we remytted [your Lo]rdeship to Mounsr. Laungeys letters, sent to the Frenche [kyng for] the farther declaration of the malicyous meanes here [used and] contryved for the hindering of the Kinges cawse, we br . . . . . sith that tyme that Mounsr. Langey did not send th[e same letters] unto the Frenche king whiche he shewed us, but se[nt others] wherein he left owte all the tumulte and busynes . . . . . e in the facultee, and certified the King but of light [matters, the] trouthe whereof we shall at more leasore declare un[to your Lorde]ship; albeit he sheweth us that in these letters wh[iche he se]ndithe now, he hathe depaynted unto the Kyng all the malicious sayings and doings of our adversarys a[ttor]ney and [his faut]oris; who, exhorting of the hole facultee not [to vot]e *pro parte negativa*, said that he trusted that th[ere were] left many yet, *qui non flexerunt genua S[imulacro Ba]al*, signifieing that the King our master and the Frenche [king w]er as the idole of Baal, and all that folowed their de[sires com]mytted ydolatrie, sacrifieng to Baal, and they that wo[uld] not obey their desires were *veri adoratores Dei.* If [Mons.] Langey hathe so doon or not, your Lordeship may know by [other] letters. And thus we commyt your Lordeship to the tuytion of the bl[essed God]. At Parys, the xv^th^ day of June."

Mutilated. Endd. on the next leaf: . . . . . my lorde of Wiltshire, [th]e xv^th^ day of June.

6456. Oliver Browne, Priest, to Lord [Lisle].

R.O. Compliments to his Lordship and my Lady. Has spoken with Sir John Russell, who has got the King to promise that Lisle's bill about the parks shall be signed this week. In the other matter, the King says "he can make your Lordship no grant or he be dead, and then ye shall have afore any man." No news but that "24 doctors of both universities shall seite (?) of a matter within the abbey of Westminster, but what it is I cannot certify your Lordship." My lord of Wiltshire will be home on Saturday. Cannot

† Struck out.

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hear how he has sped. Dr. Standeley has got the King's bill signed for collation of my benefice of Banwell, "by whose comfort I cannot tell." Trusts to make it little avail him.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my most honorable and singular good Lord, deliver this at Subberton.

15 June. **6457.** WELLEFED to his Uncle CROMWELL.

Tit. B. I. 364. B. M.

Sends an account of his expences from the Feast of the Annunciation to that of John the Baptist. [The sheet containing the account is lost.] 15 June, "ex ædicula S. Nicholai."

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* "To his right worshipful master, Master Crumwell."

17 June. **6458.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 482.

Yesterday morning I communicated to the King in detail all that you wrote to me on the 14th, adding such remarks as occurred to me; among other things, that I had heard you were slightly indisposed from the labor daily imposed upon you, and that your illness might well have been increased by these last news received from here. On this he asked me if I had written anything to you to give you pain, for his intention had been quite the contrary. I said I had obeyed his commands, and that by your answer you were aware of his satisfaction with your services, but that you were afraid he was in some trouble or perplexity about the above matter, which is what you have been doing everything in your power to avoid. I assure you if you had heard his answer you would have been greatly pleased. Finally, I told him the substance of your two letters, when he expressed himself greatly satisfied with all you had done, and said that he was very glad so good an issue had been found on either side, and that in your answer to the Admiral you had so fully followed his intention. I think this is all that you can expect at present, until you return, when you will be at leisure to consider what more can be done. You may be sure Madame will be your friend in everything, as I suppose your sister has taken care to let you know.

I had a little conversation with the Admiral on the subject, much like what I had before, and told him of your answer to what I had written to you. On which he cut me short, expressing himself honorably about the loving answer you had made him, and repeating part of the charge either to the secretary, who in your letters might have added by accident a touch of the pen more than you had passed, or else to the occasion that was given you that Rabaudanges had not understood his answer. I did not discuss the matter with him further, though you will see that imputing it either to the secretary or Rabaudanges is to justify his cause, and condemn yours; for which reason I have always pressed upon the King, that, considering the situation in which you are placed, you could have done no less than you did, and that you would not have dissembled so much for your own father as you did for the other. I hope you have noted what I lately wrote to you to the elect of Tours. I have been all day where the King is, in the country; but as Madame has risen late, and the King has not left here all day, I have not been able to speak with him. I have, however, at length communicated with your sister, to whom I told what was pressing before the arrival of the King and the Admiral.

Here follow some jocular details relating to Mons. St. Mor, of no historical importance.

The king of England's matter has been proposed at Paris. Where there was no possibility of withdrawing, Beda played the demoniac, "et s'est party la chose sans rien faire." The King wishes it to be begun again, and, if necessary, that Beda be sent to him, for it is a mere pretence (?) (*car*

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sans fondement et de ses semblables, est) that he ought not (to vote), even if the King commanded him, without orders from the Pope. The Emperor's ambassadors last night made great remonstrances about it. The King showed them clearly that he cannot deny, either to friend or enemy, liberty to clear his conscience of scruples by consulting the learned men of his kingdom. So that at last they did not know what to reply, except to demand a safeguard for the Spanish doctors of Paris, that the English ambassadors should not kill them, which was readily granted to them. Believe me, that, in spite of several commands addressed by the King to my brother to get this business to proceed, he has done everything possible to stop it, and has been very lukewarm while I was at Bayonne. This evening the Prince de la Roche-sur-Yon is to come and thank the King for the benefit conferred on him. Bordeaux, 17 June.

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17 June. R. O. **6459.** [Francis I.] to the President of Paris.

Is much dissatisfied with the conduct of Beda and others at the assembly of divines at Paris, who met to give an opinion on the king of England's divorce. The President must order him to correct his fault, else Francis will punish him. If he say it is a matter of conscience on which he must consult the Pope, you must forbid him, as this would be against the rights and privileges of the kingdom. If hereafter he (Francis) should happen to be at war with the Pope, there is nothing in the said kingdom from which he would more vigorously defend himself, in virtue of the said privileges, than from the Gallican council and the faculty of Theology.* Bordeaulx, 17 June 1530.

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Coppie de la lectre escripte a Mons. le premier president de Paris.

17 June. R. O. **6460.** Wm. Lord Sandys to Cromwell.

Thanks him for his promise about the expedition of the King's letter for the sealing of his letter by Wolsey. His servant Clotton also told him that Cromwell would send the patent yesterday, or this Corpus Christi Day, but it has not yet arrived. Is staying here only to wait for it. Windsor, 17 June. *Signed.*

P 1. *Add.:* To, &c. Mr. Cromwell, at London.

R. O. 2. Grant by Wolsey to William lord Sands, of the Vine, Hants, the King's chamberlain, of the office of keeper of the manor or lordship of Farnham, Surrey.

Draft, pp. 2, *large paper.*

R. O. 3. Draft of the latter part of a grant by Wolsey as bishop of Winchester to Lord Sands, of the office of keeper of the castle of Farnham with an annuity of 100 marks; confirmed by Hen. Broke, S.T.B., prior of St. Swithin's, Winchester.

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18 June. Le Grand, III. 471. **6461.** Norfolk to Montmorency.

Thanks him for his devotion to England, and for his entertainment, and assistance given from time to time to Sir Francis Bryan. The King had fully expected a perfect resolution, by this time, on his matter proposed to the university of Paris; but he has been informed by his agents there that

* "de quoy je me voulsisse myeulx deffendre, en vertu desd. privilleges, que du Concille Gallican et de la faculté de Theologie."

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the matter is strangely altered; for whereas 56 doctors had been instructed (*informé*) on his side, and 7 on the opposite side, at the Congregation lately held there were 36 doctors opposed to his purpose, and only 22 on his side. This looks suspicious. I trust you will use your influence with your master to obtain the desired object at Paris. Windsor, 18 June 1530.

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6462. [BENET] to HENRY VIII.

R. O. By our common letters in Latin, sent by bearer, and by a Latin letter of the 13th of last month, written by my lord of Worcester and subscribed by me, and by another of the 23rd ditto, from my lord of Worcester. Mr. Gregory, and me, you will have fully understood what has been done since my coming here in your cause, and the proceedings of the Queen's agents. Because of your special instructions sent to my lord of London, that I should be wary in coming here, and suffer nothing to pass to the innovation of any process, or to the prejudice of your cause, I have omitted nothing that might confer to the same; and by myself, as well as with my lord of Worcester and Mr. Gregory, have used my best efforts. When I was with the Pope alone he communicated to me what I write apart in this letter. I was with him on the Saturday after Corpus Christi Day, when my lord of Worcester was diseased. The day after Corpus Christi Day the Emperor's ambassador had with great exclamations obtained of the Pope to send for Capusuke, ordering him to proceed in the King's cause according to justice, which he might not let. When my lord of Worcester and I had knowledge of this, as Worcester was ill, I went alone to the Pope, lamenting his departure from the order he had taken with Capusuke three days before, seeing that from such variation many inconveniences would follow. At last, after the Pope had resolved what he would do for stopping the Emperor's ambassador not to follow that process, the Pope fell into communication of your matter, and said that Maius, the Emperor's ambassador, had showed him there were many of the Emperor's council here, who feared that my lord of London's tarrying at Bonony and his going to Venice was for no other purpose but to get as many opinions of the divines as he and others of your agents could obtain between this and September; and for that reason your Highness desired suspension till then, and that then, without regarding the authority of the Church, you would attempt something to the prejudice of the Queen; and that was the reason the Imperialists desired quick process. Maius had told him he feared no such thing, "for he said there be in this matter many articles, amongst the which one is, that the Queen was not known by your Highness' brother;" and this must be determined by law, and both parties must have the benefit of the law. "I said that my lord of London only tarried at Bonony, that your Highness had ap[poin]ted that he and [I?] should have come hither unto his Holiness," as he knew by the letters which I brought, but because he was sickly at the time he could not come; that you wished the opinions of divines for the rectification of your conscience and the justification of your cause; and for proof of the article desired, it was very easy, for that prince Arthur and the Queen had been many nights together, as was proved before his Legate. He said that the Imperial ambassador objected to the depositions received before the Legate, "and said because they were received *post*" * * *

Hol., corrected draft, imperfect, pp. 4, *mutilated.*

19 June. **6463.** [CROKE to STOKESLEY.]

Vit. B. XIII. 88. B.M. * * * "as I am informed by great learned men in Greek, Lat[in] and all other things, passeth all the friars in Italy, and

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I s[hall] have sundry letters to get him to the King's part." Howbeit Paul de Cassalis has been over all these parts, and has spoken with those whom Croke had already retained. Thus he and his brother have got into their hands the counsel of Peter Zanniboni, of Verona, prior of the Servites, written at Croke's instance. Has now given him better instructions, and he has promised to write again, and get as many subscriptions as he can. He told Croke of Dionysius, procurator of their order, who pretends to have written for us, and has written against us, and he and friar Angelus of Bologna have taken the writings to Rome. He and Croke have attempted Jews here, but they say they have such advice from Venice that they dare not write. At Vincenza, showed Anshelmus a copy, without names, of the ambassador's letters to friar Francis. After reading them he ran in a fume to an altar, took out the *super altare*, kissed the m[ass], and sware by God's altar and the Gospels that he never told nor wrote to the bishop of Vaison about the subscriptions, friar Francis, or any man who moved him in the King's cause at Vincence. He desired Croke to tell Francis that even in this heat he would go to Rome to defend his honor. He said also that no man moved him to do anything in the King's cause; that he never saw Silvester's name subscribed, and therefore that suggestion could not be true; that the ambassador was in the country with the bishop of Vaison, and at Vicenza at the house of Mark Antony de Godis; that the Bishop came to Vicenza to hear Francis preach, and afterwards had this matter disputed in his house, at which the only words that Anshelmus spoke were that he knew that the question had been formerly discussed at Bologna; that his friendship with the bishop of Vaison was too great for him to need to go about to win favor of him, for they were brought up together as children; Rome was the place, and not Vicenza, to make suit for the Pope's favor.

Has much to tell him about Francis, which he will not write. Begs him, as he loves the advancement of the King's matters, not to delay his coming hither. "I shall not much more prevail t . . . . King's causes than I have, nor they nother; they [have] so encumbered the King's causes themselves, for e[nvy] . . . Paulus de Cassalis hath been renewed." * * * Remembers that the ambassador told him that the bishop of Verona would not meddle.

Asks his advice. Is sick. This is not the first time he has put his life in jeopardy to serve the King. Fears from misreports that he will have no thank, but blame. "In the [b]erge toward Venice from Padua," Sunday, 19 June.

Hol., pp. 2, draft, mutilated.

20 June. **6464.** NORFOLK to MONTMORENCY.

MS. Bibl. Nat. 3005, f. 42.

Thanks him for the good news in his letter from Bayonne, the 6th, informing him that his charge there is despatched, and there is no obstacle now to the deliverance [of the children], a result in which you think that the King my master will take great pleasure. Compliments him on his dexterity, and hopes the union of the two Kings will be lasting, for which Norfolk will employ all his energies. Windsor, 20 June 1530.

Fr., from a transcript.

21 June. **6465.** FRANCIS GEORGIO to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 325.

Certain matters have caused trouble in the King's cause, as he wrote before, and as the bishop of London and Croke will explain. The Pope has summoned him to his presence by a brief, which they have seen. Hopes to advance the King's cause there as much as here. Will always be a faithful servant to the King. A free permission from the Pope would be of great

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advantage, as every one would come more readily and openly to an agreement, and the writer would be able to act more freely and effectually at Rome. Venice, 21 June 1530.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

21 June. **6466.** HENRY VIII. to WOLSEY.

Addit. 19,398, f. 25. B. M.

Privy Signet touching the complaint of the bearer, a Breton, who was carried prisoner to England during the last war. Having received licence to depart and return for payment of his ransom, he was spoiled of his goods on his return; and, notwithstanding he received letters under the Privy Seal for restitution, Wolsey by special letters caused the goods to be redelivered to the plunderers. Commands him to certify the Council of his reasons. Windsor, 21 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add:* "My Lord Cardinal of York."

6467. [WOLSEY to HENRY VIII.]

R. O.

Has received the King's letter, dated Windsor, 21 June, touching the complaint made against Wolsey by a Breton, the bearer of the said letter, which set forth that having been taken prisoner in the last war, and brought to England, he was allowed to depart and return to England with merchandize for payment of his ransom, but on his return was robbed of his goods by Englishmen in the same ship with him; and that, the goods having been put under arrest during his suit for justice, Wolsey, though he had given letters of privy seal to the contrary, caused them to be delivered to the said malefactors. "Although it is long since this took place," and "by reason of my great age, great heaviness and calamity, my remembrance is not so fresh and quick as it hath been," will relate the matter to the best of his recollection. In 14 Hen. VIII. during the war with France, a Breton ship was taken by Will. Gardyner and Rob. Chapplain, and being brought to Jersey, not only it, but the captor's ship, was put under arrest at the suit of the owner, on the ground that the capture had been made within the limits of the Island. Complaint was made to Wolsey, who was then chancellor, who, finding that the prize was taken on the high seas, and that the officers of the Island were not indifferent judges, ordered that the attachment should be discharged, and that the matter should be heard before the Council. He accordingly made out letters to this effect, dated at Hampton Court, 19 Sept., not knowing that any other matter was in dispute except whether the capture was within the jurisdiction of the Isle. Shortly afterwards, being with the King at Newhall, he was informed by Sir Ric. Wingfield that the ship belonged to some Bretons who were his prisoners, who were coming to England under a safe-conduct from my lord Admiral with the said goods for payment of their ransom. On this, Wolsey and others of the Council devised a placard, dated at Newhall, 27 Sept., for the attaching not only of the goods and ship but of the said Will. Gardyner and Rob. Chaplayn, as this bearer can testify. Wingfield thus recovered most of his goods, and Gardyner was committed to the Tower till he should make restitution of the rest. Thus Wolsey's letters to discharge the arrest made at Jersey were passed before the King's letters of placard were obtained. Begs Henry upon his knees not to think that he ever willingly did as Chancellor anything not consonant with equity. "From my poor manor of Suthwell, &c."

In Cromwell's hand, pp. 10.

Cott. App. XLVIII. 14. B. M.

2. Draft of the preceding in Wolsey's own hand.

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21 June. **6468.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 182. B. M.

Wrote on the 15th what took place that day with the English ambassador at vespers, and how the Auditor had revoked all the terms (*los terminos*) which he had made in the cause, although nothing remained except to give in the articles which were already made, and the time was amply sufficient to obtain before the holidays compulsory powers (*compulsoriales*) to try the matter during the holidays. But since they have revoked them, it will not be possible to make new arrangements before that time.

I complained of this to the Pope lately, and expressed myself as temperately as I could. He answered that he would remedy it, and accordingly sent for the commissary, and ordered him to prosecute the cause and do justice. I have since used all efforts with the commissary to ascertain if this be an evasion on the part of the Pope, but I have been able to obtain no other answer.

The other day the Pope sent me to Sanga, saying that he had spoken with the English ambassador, and saw a fair way of terminating the cause well, and that he wished me to know it, because he could do nothing before the holidays, as there are but three or four audiences, and more than twelve would be required to renew the terms (*reiterar los terminos*); that it would be better to concede graciously what could not be sold, especially as he did not believe the commission to proceed in the holidays could be granted.

Discussions with the Pope on the subject. Conversations with Cardinal Osma.

The Pope at last agreed to prosecute my terms until an answer should be received from Your Majesty to my former letter, when the prorogation could be made with greater authority. * * * Rome, 21 June 1530.

Sp., pp. 6, modern copy from Simancas.

22 June. **6469.** PARLIAMENT.

S. B.

Authority to Sir Tho. More, chancellor, Thomas duke of Norfolk, treasurer, Robert earl of Sussex, and John bishop of Carlisle to prorogue the Parliament from this present day, Wednesday, to the 1st of October next, on account of the pestilence in London and its suburbs. *Del.* Westm., 22 June 22 Hen. VIII.

22 June. **6470.** CROKE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 241.

Is uncertain whether his letters, and the bills, books, and writings which he has sent to the King, have come to his hands. Fears that the whole or great part of his letters have been kept from his knowledge. There never was noble prince so abused by the malice and craft of those whom he trusts. If men had been diligent, the cause would long ago have been approved by all the doctors of Italy, considering that now, although the Pope and the Emperor threaten all who approve, the King has already, by Croke's diligence, 80 subscriptions and counsels, besides those that were burnt. These, father Francis said, numbered 30,—9 being doctors, whose names, with the new names got by Simonetus, Thomas, and Francis, Croke encloses. The whole number is therefore 110,—74 being doctors, and the others Observants of good reputation and learning. John Francis Marinus has yet sent none; and none have come from Verona, though many have promised writings and subscriptions, if they can get licence. Since the ambassador was there, the Pope has written a sharp letter to the bishop of Verona, dated 21 May, by the desire of the Imperial ambassador, who, with the bishop of Vaison, made search for the letters of the bishop of Verona to the bishop of Chieti in the King's favor. No one knew of these letters but Croke and the ambassador. He is familiar with the Imperial ambassador, and was with the bishop of Vaison in the country, when he came to Vicenza to burn

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father Francis' writing, and was with Mark Antony de Godis, a doctor of law at Vicenza, who was content to write for the King, and took instructions of father Francis, but he afterwards returned them, and refused to meddle. His enclosed letter to father Francis is untrue. The King can judge what Sir Gregory has done at Milan by the enclosed copy of Crucinus' letters, whom, as appears by other letters also enclosed, father Francis has again reconciled to us. Sends also instructions in the hand of Ghinucci's servant. The mention of the King's protestation therein slanders the King's cause, and has alienated many men. Thinks this clause was put in by the Italians to injure the cause. They attempt secretly to hinder it, to ascribe other men's pains to themselves, and to inform the Pope of every man's doing to his hurt. The Pope now knows of Pagninus' writings.

The Senate's answer was procured by the ambassador, concerning whose behavior he encloses a letter of father Francis. Doubts not that the bishop of London will also inform the King of it. Incurs great danger by writing thus openly, for Casale and others have such friends about the King that they know the tenor of his letters ten days before they arrive, and are advised of all that Croke and others write. Not long ago Ghinucci's servant asked a servant of Croke's to find out when he would return to England, and to inform the Bishop. Fears at his return not only bodily harm, but the loss of all the original writings and subscriptions, unless the King makes it known that he will require of their hands the death of his servants, or any harm that may happen to them. Doubts not many of his letters are kept from the King's knowledge. Has kept copies of them in a book. Asks for a commission and instructions. His diets are expended. Has no money to prosecute the King's causes.

Little good will be done here, but the profit will be in the other towns in the dominion of Venice and the dukedom of Milan. If the King wishes him to travel, must ask for provision both for diets and retaining men. The Pope has sent a brief to father Francis, as men say, to make him cardinal. Venice, 22 June 1530.

Hol., pp. 5. *Add. Endd. by the King:* "Crocus."

Vit. B. XIII. 89. B. M. 2. Draft of the same.
Hol., mutilated, pp. 3.

22 June. **6471.** CROKE to [HENRY VIII.]

R. O. Asks pardon for writing such a long letter, and desires him to take the trouble to hear it read himself. Unless the King does so, Croke can never remedy the great impediments which are daily contrived to hinder his proceeding with the King's cause, nor will he ever know whether the King has received the seven letters sent to him. Kept a copy of everything sent; but his fear is the greater, because he sent with each letter other letters which it behoved the King "not for much money to lack the knowledge of." Venice, 22 June.

Hol., p. 1.

Vit. B. XIII. 90 b. B. M. 2. Draft of the same in Croke's hand.
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22 June. **6472.** FRANCISCO GEORGIO to HENRY VIII.

R. O. In consequence of the dangers he may incur from those who secretly injure or openly oppose the King's cause, begs him to allow no one to read these letters. Has tried to serve the King in his cause, but hindrances have

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been caused by certain persons. When Croke first entrusted the King's cause to him, everything went on well; but when the copy of the King's letter to him came into the hands of the person to whom, as Croke had advised, he had pretended that he would not undertake the cause, fortune soon became adverse. While working with success at Vicenza, was attacked by the bishop of Vaison, nuncio apostolic, who spoke against him to the governor of the city, and then to the provincial of his Order, who was about to sign, using many accusations and threats of excommunication against Georgio and all who were about to sign. The matter was then brought before the Senate, where he defended himself and the cause, declaring that he was acting for the cause of justice, that he had taken up the cause not as the King's but God's, and that he was neither a breaker of the laws nor a conspirator against the Emperor or the Pope. Easily cleared himself in this way, the Senate being well disposed to the King, and wishes he could as easily get free from those who secretly oppose him.

While at Vicenza, had obtained a promise from Dr. Mark Antony de Godis not only to write, but also gain his father, a celebrated advocate, in whose house the prothonotary Casale was staying, but he afterwards sent back the instructions, and refused to meddle. Again, had gained by means of Francis Crucinus, a Milanese noble, almost all the doctors of theology and law; and Crucinus' treatise had been approved by seven famous doctors and the bishop of London. Croke then wrote to Ghinucci for money for the doctors who had signed, but received in answer directions to be sparing, and entertain them with hope. Nevertheless, Francis writes that he was offered 50 crs. through Sir Gregory de Casalis, with whom we had not communicated. What is worse, it has been divulged that the cause was the King's, as Crucinus writes, though without mentioning names. Has had great difficulty in conciliating him. Without these obstacles would have had little difficulty in gaining most of the learned men here. The obstacles are caused by the envy of those who have done nothing in the cause, and ought to have done much. Venice, 1530, 10 kal. Julii.

Lat., hol., pp. 3, mutilated. Add.

22 June. **6473.** ROBBERY OF MRS. LACIE.

R. O.

Confession of John Lawrence, formerly servant to Mrs. Lacie, of London, widow, and of Robert Turner, late of Warton, co. Lanc., taken before Sir John Dunham and Wm. Disney, treasurer of the Household, and Hugh Fuller, auditor to cardinal Wolsey, at Southwell, 20 June 22 Hen. VIII. —Was servant with Mrs. Lacie at St. Antonine's, London, where a priest named Richard, a sanctuary man of St. Alban's, or else falsely professing priesthood, had a wife named Charity. The same Richard sent a man to Lawrence, then in the church of St. Thomas Acres, who brought certain picklocks under a Spanish cloak. Next day Lawrence rode into Kent to Mrs. Knevet, daughter to Lacie, who gave him a noble for her mother, of which she denied the receipt; whereupon Lawrence, taking offence, visited the sanctuary man at St. Martin's, when they agreed to meet at the Libberd's Head, in St. Sythe (Osith's), London, 25 April, and agreed with one Robert Turner to rob Mrs. Lacie. Description of the way the robbery was committed, and a list of the goods stolen, consisting chiefly of silver and other valuables; also of the persons to whom part of the property was delivered. The sanctuary man is described as being "whitely visaged," with a sharp nose, light abren (auburn) hair, a little beard, near of the same color, and commonly accustomed to wear a Spanish cape, and sometimes a coat of Orange tawny, and white hosen.

Pp. 6. Endd.

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24 June. **6474.** CHRYSOSTOM CASALE to [SIR G. CASALE].

R. O. I have seen what you have communicated to me, *sc.* the objection which they make against our determination, founded on the "lost chapter *de Divortiis;*" to which I have made answer, as you will see below. I have seen the brief and sententious reply of our Pisan friend, whom for a long time I have regarded as a most learned man, and of the safest opinions. He agrees with ours. I have also seen the whole decretal of Innocent, from which is extracted the first chapter to Augustine, bishop of England; upon which I have founded our reply. Although the canonists consider the said objection to be of some moment, it has no weight with a theologian.

I return to you the copy of our writings, because Piacenza has no qualified professor of our own or any other Order. They will have to be corroborated by subscription in our convents of Lombardy. They are simply readers, not judges. On this account I desire you to show our writings to the late father-regent and the present regents of the Dominicans and Franciscans." Ask, without being influenced by any affection for me to subscribe, whether I have written the truth; if not, let them state their objections. This is the duty of a true doctor, and not to acquire a name by soliciting votes. As for several days I have suffered from spitting blood, I must write no more. Piacenza, 24 June 1530.

Hol., Ital., pp. 2. *Commences:* "Signor Cavalier."

ii. Reply to the Pope's objection to Casale's argument. Reference is made to the case of the people of Livonia, who were accustomed to marry their brothers' widows, for which, on their conversion to Christianity, they received dispensations from the Pope; also to a letter of Pope Gregory to Augustine.

Lat., pp. 2.

25 June. **6475.** RIC. LYSTER (Chief Baron) to WOLSEY.

R. O. I have received your letter dated Southwell, 19 June, and perceive that you are discomfited at the process against you directed to the sheriff of Yorkshire. I do not consider it dangerous, and as I have examined the clerks, it was of common course. I was not privy to it, nor your council, else the matter might have been discharged without further process. You may be sure of favorable justice; and though the writ may import hard words, it is but a common writ for the King. No man's person or land was ever attached by such a writ, and therefore I advertise you for your quietness not to think anything of it. You may be always sure of lawful speed here, according to justice, as I am bound, and as the King's pleasure is continually notified to me and others, according to his accustomed manner for administering indifferent justice to all his subjects. Westm., 25 June.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* My Lord Cardinal's Grace.

25 June. **6476.** JOHN ANTONY MUSETULA to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 185. B. M. "From his last letter he has learnt that the king of France and the king of England not only encourage the Florentines, but send them also money. That is clear from the correspondence which Scalengues has taken from the messenger of Malatesta Baglione. Since that time this news has been confirmed by letters of the papal nuncio in France, who writes that the Imperial ambassador at the French court has discovered the same intrigue.

"Another piece of news of importance is this. Malatesta Baglione informed the Colonel Pirro very secretly that the Florentines attempted to poison the Pope, and that they were sending for that purpose a man to Rome, with all the instruments necessary for poisoning. He gave a description of that

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man, saying that although he served the Florentines as captain general, he despised such dishonorable deeds, and was in all other respects a servant of the Pope.

"Pirro, who is a colonel in the Imperial army, watched the poisoner and caught him. When he was searched a great number of small bottles were found full of poison, and certain *tablillas*, which those were to take who were to prepare the salve for the Pope† in order not to be envenomed by the poison. Pirro conducted the prisoner to the prince (of Orange), where he confessed the whole conspiracy, and named certain very confidential servants of the Pope as complices. The Prince sent the colonel Pirro and the poison and the instruments to Rome. Communicated the whole affair to the Pope, who is very thankful to the Prince and to Malatesta Baglione. It is probable that Malatesta, who has not received the letters (from France and England), is ready to surrender, and wishes to gain the friendship of the Pope.

"The Pope has ordered strict investigations in order to discover the whole conspiracy. It is, however, necessary to treat this affair with great secrecy, in order not to betray Malatesta Sigismundo da Rimini, &c. Rome, 25 June 1530.

"Addressed:—To his Sacred Imperial and Catholic Majesty. Spanish, autograph, cipher, contemporary deciphering. Pp. 4."

English abstract.

27 June. **6477.** CHARLES V. to CARDINAL COLONNA.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 201. B. M.

"He is to do all he can to send the prince of Orange the 1,600 ducats he has asked for the pay of the army. The same he is to do with respect to the money Alarcon asks for the pay of the infantry.

"Affairs of the kingdom of Naples.

"The ambassador at Rome has written that the affair of the marriage of the abbot of Farfa (with a niece of the Cardinal) is so much advanced that it cannot be undone. Reminds him of his promises to prevent this marriage from taking place. He is to do all he can to oppose it.

"Supposes that he knows already that the king of England is determined to be divorced from his wife the Queen. The Pope has ordered that the case shall be decided in Rome. The English, however, do all in their power to procure so many opinions of universities and other learned bodies and scholars in favor of the demand of the king of England, that he (the Emperor) is forced also to have recourse to this irregular expedient. Has therefore ordered a short *resumé* of the divorce case to be drawn up at Rome. Sends it him, and begs him to cause the universities and other scientific institutions in the kingdom of Naples, as well as distinguished theologians and lawyers, to give their opinions in writing. These opinions must be signed by their authors. Recommends him great care and speed.

"Superscribed:—To the Cardinal Colonna, from Augsburg, 27 June 1530.

"Spanish, draft, written by Alfonso de Valdes, pp. 4."

English abstract.

27 June. **6478.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 198. B. M.

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Awaits the Emperor's answer to what he wrote about the cause of England. I have learned that the English ambassadors have written to their court that the revocation of the terms was with my consent. Thinks they did this either to gain credit for diligence, or to discredit the affair with the English, pretending that the Emperor did not care about it. (*Marginal note:*—The Em-

† la salva al Papa.

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peror is convinced that this is true, and that it would be well to send notice of it to England. Let a memorandum be given to Granvelle to write to the ambassador.) The Pope has promised to write to the king of France that the vote of Paris be not given, and I will solicit him for it. (*Marginal note :*—Let him procure it.) The English are much hurt at the brief that no one should give an opinion on the cause except according to conscience. They have declined the proposal I made to them, that they should submit to the judgment of the Pope, if the matter were prorogued to October; so that I have told the Pope they clearly show how they distrust him (*que las han con el*). I do not know if he will grant the commission that we seek. I fear not, there is so little warmth in him. The English complain much of his Holiness. (*Marginal note :*—He is to use all diligence, as he has written.)

Hears that the auditor of the Chamber has written that all the good lawyers and cardinals are of opinion that the King is right, and that if he were a cardinal no one would dare to contradict it in the college in his presence.

He is using every effort to be made one. (*Marginal note :*—His Holiness must remember the case of Tarbes, and take care what he writes.) The letter for the cardinal Egidius will be of much importance, and it would be well that the Emperor should write to the cardinal of Gaeta de S. Sisto. The coming of Ortiz will also be much to the purpose. The English are still procuring votes by money in Italy, thinking that Italian opinions will gain more credit as being neutral. Thinks 1,000 ducats ought to be spent for the service of the Queen, as we can do more with 1,000 than they with 25,000. Has already written to suggest this to her Highness. (*Marginal note :*—He has done well.) * * * Rome, 27 June 1530.

Sp., pp. 5, modern copy from Simancas.

28 June. Add. MS. 28,580, f. 202. B. M.

6479. RODRIGO NIÑO to CHARLES V.

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Wrote on the 18th of the coming of the bishop of London, and how till that day he had not gone to the College. He remained here six or seven days, and had communication with two Jews whether the Pope could dispense or not. Having obtained their opinions they left for Padua, along with the English ambassador here. When I knew they were gone, I told the College that the bishop of London had been here to ask them to allow their doctors to consult upon this matter, and to instruct the doctors of Padua to give their opinion, but that, finding that the Signory would not consent to anything so wicked, they had gone to Padua to get an opinion from the professors there. They told me they were sure none of the doctors would give it, but that they would consult about it; and they called their Council of Ten, whom I exhorted to remain firm in this matter. The Doge replied to me that the College at Bologna had given an unanimous opinion in favor of the king of England; at which I expressed my astonishment, as that college was founded by a Spaniard in a city of the Church. This he told me apparently to give additional value to what they would do. Has written to Mai about it. * * * Venice, 28 June 1530.

Sp., pp. 11, modern copy from Simancas.

28 June. Add. 25,114, f. 34. B. M.

6480. [CARDINAL CAMPEGGIO] to HENRY VIII.

Has fulfilled his promise made in his last letter. The diet at Augsburg commenced on the 13th kal. of July (19 June). Certain princes of Germany who favor Luther produced their propositions, feeble, and, to say the truth, not fit to be listened to. Were it not for the obstinacy of the heretics, would be in good hope of bringing them back to the way of Christ. The piety of

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the Emperor and Ferdinand is a great encouragement. The proceedings of Henry, though so far away, had much contributed; and the reports of his burning the books of heretics, which have much added to his renown and strengthened others. On the 4th kal. of June (29 May), heard that Empoli, belonging to Florence, had fallen into the hands of the enemy. The Florentines are in despair, as it was their great emporium. Letters of the Nuncio bring daily expectations of victory. They were in hopes that Volataire had yielded to the Pope. Sends a copy of a letter relating to Turkish news. Augsburg, 4 kal. Jul. 1530.

Lat., pp. 2. *Endd. by Wriothesley:* "At Auguste, the 4 kalends of July. D. Campegius."

29 June. **6481.** NICHOLAS WOTTON to EDWARD FOXE.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 559.

Has done as Foxe bade him, and committed the matter to Stella and Brunellus, the most celebrated professors of this university. Though their occupations prevent them from at present explaining copiously their opinions in writing, they have told Wotton what course they will pursue. Brunellus says that he will prove that Sybilla in this case may leave Fontaneus on her own authority, though he allows that the ordinary way by the authority of a judge would be safer and easier. If she does separate on her own authority, he does not see how her freedom to marry again can be defended; but if she actually marries again, this second marriage will be valid. If the ordinary or the Pope orders her to return to her former husband, or not to remain with her second, she will have an appeal, either to the Pope or a future Council, and thus she will remain with her second husband, and, instead of being obliged to act as prosecutor, as in the ordinary way, will be by this method the defendant. As to the intercourse between Fontaneus and Priscilla, it will be sufficient to prove their frequent use of the same bed when of lawful age. Though the confession of a man tending to dissolve marriage is not usually believed, still, as there are other proofs, this will add some strength. One thing Foxe has omitted, which they wish to know,—whether the connection of Fontaneus and Priscilla was publicly known. For the fame of it, which might be proved by two witnesses, would assist the proof, and be an additional excuse for Sybilla's leaving him.

Stella scarcely dares to advise Sybilla to marry again after leaving her husband on her own authority, if justice can be obtained in the ordinary way; but if she has married, he does not doubt that the second marriage will be a true one. If any mandates are issued against the marriage, she can protect herself by appealing to a future Council;—which differs but little from the answer of Brunellus. They agree about the proof of copulation. This is the sum of what they said, and they will at leisure put the proofs fully in writing. Sybilla will then be well counselled, and almost as Foxe most wished. He must see about a handsome reward for them, which Wotton has promised in his name. Wishes he had known how much to offer. They would perhaps have been more diligent. Fears that they doubt his performance of his magnificent promises. Has given the courier a teston, *i.e.*, 12 French *sous*. Orleans, Day of SS. Peter and Paul.

Hol., Lat., pp. 2. *Add.:* To, &c., Mr. Foxe, a la Rue de la Madeleine, au Lyon d'Or, à Paris. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Modern copy of the above.

30 June. **6482.** CROMWELL to [WOLSEY].

App. XLVIII. 32. B. M.

(*First leaf wanting.*)

"as to send your Grace any quails, it is not possible, for there is none that will carry them. As for seeds, I will send you by the next. Master Stubbis

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CROMWELL to [WOLSEY]—*cont.*

saith he will provide baudekyn for your Grace. I am sorry for him; he is sued in a primineri by Burges, which was once elect president of Maudlen College. I think it will cost him money or he get out. My Lord Chancellor hath promised that Mrs. Lacye shall bear the costs therein, that shall bring up John Laurans and Robert Turner. I beseech your Grace to be so good Lord as to send me a gelding, and I trust shortly after to see your Grace by the assistance of our Lord, whom I most heartily beseech to preserve your Grace in long life, good health, and much honor. At London, the last day of June."

P. 1, *draft in Cromwell's hand, mutilated.*

30 June. **6483.** ITALY.

R. O. Extract from letters from the secretary of card. Farnese, dated Rome, 30 June.

A fortnight ago letters were intercepted stating that the Florentines had arranged to poison the Pope. His cellarer, one of his cupbearers, and others of his household, were put in prison, and, some say, confessed, but others deny it. It is enough that Christ's vicar cannot live safe by reason of wicked men. His Holiness endeavored to seize the abbot of Farfa, who was in a castle called Vicovaro, which he had taken away from his brothers, but he escaped with one servant to Monte Fortino, a castle belonging to the Magnifico Julius, brother of card. Columna; "ubi desponsavit filiam ipsius, et consummavit matrimonium, ut affirmatur." To appease the Pope, who was angry with him for keeping the Abbot, and for having by force recovered the foot soldiers whom the Papal troops took in the said castle, Julius sent away the Abbot yesterday, who, suspecting this, had levied soldiers, and begun to devastate the country. It is said that the Abbot went to the Castle of Bracciano, which was surrounded by 1,200 Papal infantry under Sciarra Columna and the count of Anguillara. Some cavalry and good part of the Papal guard, with 1,200 newly levied foot, have gone to their aid. Are expecting hourly to hear of their success. Heard today that one of the captains of the Germans in the Pope's guard was wounded to death. Unless an end is made of this matter, the roads will be full of assassins.

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June. **6484.** WOLSEY to CROMWELL.

Cott. App. XLVIII. 31. B. M. Ellis, 2 Ser. II. 29.

Although I granted, at my Lord Chancellor's (More's) desire, the use of my house at Batirsey to his son-in-law, young Daunce, if any death or other inconvenience compelled him to remove from his own house, I never intended that my servant, John Oxynherde, who married my kinswoman, should be expelled, but that they should have liberty to reside there. Oxynherde's wife, her husband being on the sea conveying Wolsey's stuff hither, has come to complain that she is ordered to move, and she has no place for herself and her children. Is much surprised at this. Young Daunce promised they should not be disturbed. Asks him to see to it. They must have, besides what they have now, part of the pasture reserved for the household at the ordinary rent. Southwell, ... June. *Signed.*

P. 2, *mutilated. Add.:* To my right trusty and well beloved counseller and servant Thomas Crumwell.

June. **6485.** VAGABONDS.

Soc. Antiq. Proclamations I. 55.

A proclamation, printed by Berthelet, against beggars and vagabonds. If within two days after publication of this proclamation any are found out of the hundred where they were born, or have resided for three years before,

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and have not demanded a billet to convey them thither, they are to be stripped naked from the privy parts upwards and sharply scourged, old and sick persons, and women with child, alone excepted; after which a billet is to be delivered to them certifying the infliction of the punishment, according to a form annexed, signed by the justices. The vagrant must then lose no time on his way homeward, on pain of a repetition of the punishment.

Modern copy.

6486. CARDINAL WOLSEY.

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Pleadings in Trinity Term 22 Hen.VIII., in a suit brought by John abbot of Ramsey against card. Wolsey, John bishop of Lincoln, and Richard Nepe, clerk, for the presentation to the parish church of St. Andrew, Barnwell, to which the Abbot had presented on the resignation of William Pargetour.

Copy, Lat., pp. 2.

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6487. HERETICAL BOOKS.

R. O. Wilkins' Concilia, III. 740.

Proclamation, dated June 22 Hen.VIII., against heretical books.

In consequence of the diffusion of a number of pestiferous English books printed in foreign regions, the King has called to him the primates of his realm, and a body of divines of Oxford and Cambridge, desiring their advice and judgment as to the approbation or rejection of suspected publications, and of translations of the Old and New Testament. After full discussion, it has been agreed that the books entitled "The Wicked Mammona," "The Obedience of a Christian Man," "The Supplication of Beggars," "The Revelation of Anti-Christ," "The Summary of Scripture," and others printed beyond sea, contain pestiferous errors and blasphemies. All persons are therefore cautioned, under pain of the King's displeasure, not to buy or receive such books, either in English, or in French, or Dutch. Any person who may possess copies is to bring them within fifteen days to the bishop of his diocese, or the curate or parish priest; and if any person hereafter be known to buy or keep any such works, they are to be brought before the King's council. No person hereafter shall print new books in English concerning Holy Scripture until they have been examined by the ordinary of the diocese, and the name of the examiners shall be printed with the books.

As it is reported that many persons urge the expediency of having the New and Old Testament in the English tongue, the King has referred this subject also to the said divines, who have come to the conclusion that it is not necessary to have the Scriptures in English in the hands of the common people, but that the permission or denial thereof should depend upon the discretion of the superiors; and, considering the malignity of the present time, a translation into English would tend to the increase of error. It is, therefore, more expedient that the people have the Scripture expounded to them by preachers in their sermons as heretofore. If, in future, the people abandon their present perverse opinions, the King intends that the Scripture shall be translated into English by "great learned and Catholic persons." Meanwhile, all translations now in circulation are to be delivered up.

Copy. Printed by Berthelet. Another printed copy is in the British Museum, in a volume entitled, "Fragmenta Antiqua."

6488. THE PRÆMUNIRE.

Controlment Roll, Trin. 22 Hen.VIII. rot.12. R. O.

Memoranda of indictments against the bishops of Coventry and Lichfield, Norwich, St. Asaph's, Ely, Bangor, Rochester, Bath and Wells, and Chichester; Martin abbot of Bury, Edward Fynche archdeacon of Wilts, Edmund Frocetor dean of Hereford, the abbot of Waltham Holy Cross,

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John abbot of St. Peter's, Westminster, and Giles Hakluyt subdean of Salisbury.

Opposite the first of these entries is written in the margin, "Pardonatur virtute actus parliamenti;" and opposite each of the others, "Pardonatur."

6489. KING'S MESSENGERS.

R. O. Account of moneys spent by Will. Brereton, Edw. Leighton, and Thos. Writhesley, who were sent to divers parts of England by the King's command.

The following are the chief items:—At Windsor, for two cases of boards to carry the writings, 16*d.*; for two sheepskins to cover them, 8*d.*; for a yard of yellow lining, 6*d.* 1 lb. of wool "to truss withal for saving the scales," 4*d.* Hire of 8 horses from Windsor to St. Albans, with their meat for two days, and a man to take them home again, 12*s.* 6*d.* Post horses at St. Alban's, 9*s.* 4*d.*; our dinners there, 3*s.* 9*d.* For the meat of Mr. Welsh's norses at St. Alban's, 14*d.* To the mayor's wife at Bedford, 2*s.* For a guide from St. Alban's, 12*d.* For post horses and their meat at Huntingdon, 9*s.* 5*d.* For a guide there, 12*d.* To the guide from Bedford, 12*d.* "To a fellow that called us," 2*d.* For stuffing three saddles, 8*d.* For "fere, &c." at Huntingdon, 13*d.* For 7 horses at Stanforde, 4*s.* 8*d.* For delivery of the abbot of Peterborough's letters, 20*d.* For post horses at Grauntham, 5*s.*; for our supper there, 23*d.* Hire of a horse at Grantham, 12*d.* Guide to Southwell, 12*d.* For one that watched to call us up, 4*d.* Shoeing horses, 13*d.* Mending saddles, 17*d.* For our guide from Grantham to Southwell, and so to Wyngfeld, 5*s.* To my Lord Steward's servant, 5*s.* For seven post horses from Rotherham to Dancastre, 4*s.* 8*d.*; to the guide, 8*d.* Mending a saddle at Doncaster, 6*d.* Another horse hired from Mannefeld, 12*d.* For horses' meat, standing at Shereburn before our coming, 20*d.* Post horses to York, 5*s.*; our dinners there, 22*d.* For two "kevershenes" at Snape, 2*s.* Two guides from York thither, 16*d.* Dinners at Dernton (Darlington ?), 2*s.* Post horses to Dereham (Durham), 3*s.* 4*d.* Mending saddles there, 4*d.* For post horses at Dernton to Northallerton, thence to Helperley, and thence to York. To my lord Lumley's servant, 3*s.* 4*d.* For suppers and breakfasts at York, 4*s.* For a horse and man to my lord Conyers, 3*s.* 4*d.* For the like to my lord of Cumberland, 4*s.* The like to Selby, 2*s.* 4*d.* Post horses to Shereburne, 5*s.* For horses' meat kept at Danc[aster], 20*d.*; for the horse that Walter L. left there, 8*d.* For baiting at Gayesburgh, 2*s.* 8*d.*; for the horse Walter L. left there, 4*d.* Mending saddles, 4*d.* Baiting at Lincoln, 3*s.* 1*d.*; at Slyford, 2*s.* 4*d.* For Walter Lynche's horse meat, 5*d.* Post horses to Burne, and thence to Peterborough, Someram, Huntingdon and Ely. For baiting at Milnalle, 3*s*; at Thetford, 2*s.* Post-horses at Oxston, and from Snape to Dernton. Baiting between York and Northallerton. Horses for Mr. Brereton, from Snape to Dernton, 3*s.* A saddler at Peterborough, 9*d.* To my lord of Bury's servant coming with a letter, 2*s.* To a fellow that brought the abbot of St. Benet's letter, 20*d.* To minstrels, 12*d.* To a fellow that went for my lord of St. Benet's, 20*d.* Dinners at Hoxston, 2*s.* 8*d.* Post horses to Ipswich, and thence to Colchester, Witham, Chemsforde and Brendwood. Horse meat at Westminster. Post horses to Hampton Court, to Colbroke, to Henley, to Abingdon, to Faringdon, to Cicester, and to Hayles. Gratuities to servants of my lord of Cicester and my lord of Hayles. 6 yards cotton, 3*s.* Post horses to Oxford, and expences there. Horse meat at Hayles and Chipingmerton. Suppers at Oxford. Post horses to Thetford, Wykeham, Colebroke, Hampton Court, London, Waltham, Hadham, Tyltey, Mark Hall, Waltham, London, Hunsloo and Oking. Expences of Thos. Wrythesleye at Reygate, riding to my lord of Canterbury, 4*s.* Horse meat, &c., at Otford, Reygate and Oking.

ii. "Expences of Mr. Brereton riding afore by himself at divers times; viz., at Dernton, at Durham, for a guide to lord Lumley's, and so to Deram, at Dernton, from Northallerton to Helperley, at York, from Millnall to Birre. For bringing a letter to Hoxston from the

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abbot of St. Benet's. For two horses and a guide to Neddam, to Ipswich, to Colchester. 1½ lb. of wool, bought at Guildford for trussing the coffers, 6*d.* 1 lb. of fine wool at London, 5*d.* ½ lb. red wax, 5*d.*

iii. "Charges of Walter Lynche, riding before for laying of horses."

Total, 40*l.* 16*s.* 10*d.* Signed by Brereton, Leyghton and Wriothesley.

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6490. Grants in June 1530.

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1. Ric. Eden, clk., and Thos. Eden. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of clerk of the King's council, with 40 marks a year and the usual summer and winter livery, as John Roydon, John Baldiswell, or any other had at the Great Wardrobe; on surrender of patent 20 Oct. 4 Hen. VIII. granting the office to the said Ric. alone. Windsor, 20 April 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 June 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 20.

1. Hugh Lloitt. Lease of all lands escheated, under the name of farm, in the vill of Abergelle Place, and English and Welsh acres in the lordship of Denbigh, marches of Wales, with 2 mansion houses upon 2 parcels thereof, containing 32 acres of land; with reservations; for 21 years, at the annual rent of 33*s.* 8*d.*, and 13*s.* 4*d.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 1 June 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 6.

1. Peter Dowse, native of Picardy, and Mark Dowse, a native of Flanders. Denization. Windsor, 6 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 June.—*Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 27.

1. *Devon:* Rob. Dillond, John Pasmere, and Wm. Burgeyn. Commission to make inquisition p. m. on the lands and heir of John Whytyng. Westm., 1 June.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 26*d.*

3. Sutton Coldfelde, Warw. Inspeximus and confirmation of an indenture made 7 Dec. 20 Hen. VIII. between John bishop of Exeter on the one part, and Sir John Mordaunt and Roger Wigston, general-surveyors of the King's woods, on the other, whereby the latter agree to sell to the former the oaks and other gross timber growing within the precincts of the lordship, manor, park, and chase of Sutton Coldfelde, Warw., for 500*l.*, which is to be paid by annual instalments of 100*l.* The surveyors reserve to themselves the right of disposing of the premises more advantageously before the end of June next ensuing. Hampton Court, 28 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

3. Fulk Middylton and Margaret his wife, and John and Ric. their sons. Lease of the manor of Astrett and the mill of Skybyon, in the commote of Kymerch, in the lordship of Denbeigh; 11 acres of land and pasture in the fields near the fishpond in the commotes of Issalet, in the said lordship, and the pasture near the same; 26½ acres of land late of Thos. Pygot; 3½ acres 30 perches late of Ric. Skynner; 9 acres of close in Segroyt park late of Thos. Pygot; 9½ acres late of the same Thomas; 2½ acres late of John Rumour in Weynonok Canon in the same commote; 40 acres of land late in the tenure of Rob. Dolbyn, called Wallesfeld, in the same commote; divers parcels of land lately escheated in the vill of Archwhedlok, in the commote of Ughalet, in the said lordship; divers lands, &c., in the commote of Istulas, and the herbage of Galghill park, in the commote of Issalet; with reservations; for 21 years, as formerly occupied by David Middylton, at certain stated old and increased rents. *Del.* Westm., 3 June 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 6.

3. Thos. Fowler, one of the soldiers in the retinue of the Exchequer. To be receiver of the manors of Marke and Oye, marches of Calais, with 20*l.* a year out of the issues of the said manors. York Place, 23 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 June.—P.S. —— *Vacated on surrender* 15 *Nov.* 37 *Hen. VIII. in order that another patent might be granted to*—*Broke.*—*Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 19.

4. Will. Grete of Calais, soldier. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Rob. Wingfeld. York Place, 24 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 4 June.—P.S.

5. John Haydon of Devon, merchant, Grant (in consideration of his having built a ship for the King's navy, called *John the Evangelist, of Toppesham*, of 110 tons, which lately came to London with merchandize whereon certain sums are due for customs,) of 27*l.* out of the said customs due on the cargo, and out of such customs as shall be due on the exports of the said vessel from the same port of London. York Place, 17 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 June. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 23.

6. Ric. Tate. Grant, in fee simple, of 4 messuages, 1 free place of land, and 1 wharf in the parish of St. Michael, Queenhithe, London, lately belonging to Sir Ric. Charleton, attainted. Windsor, 6 June 22 Hen. VIII. *No date of delivery.*—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 27. (*Undated.*)

10. John Salusbury, squire of the Body, and Thos. Salusbury. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of steward of the lordship of Denbigh *alias* Denbighland, N. Wales, and constable and doorward of Denbigh castle,

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N. Wales, with the appointment of a recorder of the said manor, &c., with stated annual fees in each of the said offices. Windsor, 5 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 June. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 29.

11. Will. Brereton, page of the Privy Chamber. To be chamberlain of the county palatine of Chester *vice* Sir Ranulph Brereton. Windsor Castle, 8 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 11 June.—P.S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 19.

14. Edward Stephynson, labourer, late of London. Pardon. Hampton Court, 28 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

14. Cuthbert bishop of Durham's Mint at Durham. Warrant to John Copynger, warden and keeper of the Mint in the tower of London, to deliver to the Mint of Durham, belonging to the Bishop, coining irons; viz., piles and trussels for pence only; for the use of which the usual rates are to be paid. Also warrant to ——, master of the Mint, Durham, to take as many monyers and coiners as required for the Mint belonging to the said Bishop. *Del.* Westm., 14 June 22 Hen. VIII. —S.B.

14. Yorkshire. Commission of the Peace. Cuthbert bp. of Durham, Brian Higden, clk., dean of York, Tho. Magnus, archdeacon of the East Riding, Wm. Tate, clk., Sir John Nevell of Snap, Sir Wm. Bulmer, Sir Tho. Tempest, Sir Marmaduke Constable, Sir Wm. Eure, Tho. Fairfax, serjeant-at-law, Rob. Bowes, and Wm. Babthorp, as justices of the peace and commissioners in Yorkshire, York, and Kingston-on-Hull. *Del.* Westm., 14 June 22 Hen. VIII. *In the margin:* "Tho. More, miles, cancellarius."—S.B.

Copy of the same in R.O.

20. Commissions of Gaol Delivery.

Bedford Castle: Sir Henry Grey, Sir John Mordaunt, Sir Francis Brian, Sir Wm. Gascoign, Michael Fyssher, Walter Luke, Wm. Marshall, Nicholas Hardyng, and Geo. Akeworth.

Aylesbury: Andrew Lord Wyndesore, Sir Robert Brudenell, Sir John Daunce, Sir John Mordaunt, Sir Francis Brian, Sir Edward Donne, Sir Rob. Lee, John Cheyney, John Baldewyn, Paul Darell and John Gifford.

Cambridge Castle: Sir Rob. Payton, Sir Thos. Elyot, Giles Alyngton, Philip Parys, John Hudleston, John More, Thos. Checheley, John Hynde, and Chris. Burgoyn.

Launceston Castle, Cornw.: Sir John Arundell de la Hern, Sir Piers Eggecombe, Rich. Greynvyle, John Arundell of Talfern, John Chaymound, Rob. Vyvyan, Wm. Lowre, Rich. Penrose, and Rob. Langdon.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 5*d.*

Derby Gaol: Sir Anthony Fitzherbert, Sir John Porte, Sir Godfrey Fuljambe, Sir Roger Mynours, Sir Henry Sacheverell, Anthony Babyngton, William Coffyn, John Fitzherbert, German Pole, and Arthur Eyr. —*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 5*d.*

Dorchester Gaol, Dorset: Sir John Fitzjames, Sir Giles Strangways, Sir Wm. Stourton, Sir Thos. Trenchard, Sir John Rogers, John Horsey, sen., Wm. Hodye, John Horsey, jun., Nicholas Willoughby, Wm. Thornell, and John Brytt.

Exeter Castle, Devon: Sir Wm. Courteney, Sir Thos. Denys, Sir Wm. Carewe, John Rowe, serjeant-at law, Baldwin Malett, Philip Champernon, Andrew Hyllarsden, Ric. Hals, Ric. Yerd, and Humphrey Colles.

Colchester Castle, Essex: John earl of Oxford, Henry earl of Essex, Sir John More, Sir Roger Wentworth, Sir Thos. Tyrell of Hern, Sir John Reynesforth, Sir Wm. Pyrton, Rob. Norwich, Humphrey Broun, Thos. Bonham, John Seyntclere, Thos. Audeley, Rich. Riche, and Wm. Bradebury.

York Castle: Sir Wm. Percy, Sir John Nevell of Snape, Sir Wm. Bulmer, Sir Rich. Tempest, Sir Thos. Tempest, Thos. Fayrfax, John Norton, Rob. Bowes, John Poleyn, Wm. Bapthorp, and Rob. Chaloner.

Gloucester Castle: Sir Wm. Kyngeston, Sir Edmund Tame, Sir Thos. Cornewaill, Sir Edw. Crofte, Sir Wm. Denys, Sir Anthony Hungerford, Nicholas Wykes, Rob. Witney, Thomas Matson, John Arnold, Rob. Wye, and Thos. Lane.

Hertford Castle: Sir Humphrey Conyngesby, Sir John More, Sir Griffin Donne, Sir Philip Butler, Thos. Peryent, sen., John Brokett, George Hyde, Edward Brokett, John Peryent, jun., John Conyngesby.

Huntingdon Castle: Sir John Mordaunte, Sir Wm. Gascoign, Sir John Seyntjohn, Nicholas Harvy, Wm. Tanfeld, Anthony Malory, Walter Luke, Edw. Mountague, John Hynde, Thos. Hall, and Thos. Megge.

Hereford Castle: Sir Thos. Cornewall, Sir Rich. Vaughan, Sir Roger Mynours, James Baskervyle, John Skudamore, Thomas Bodenham, Wm. Clynton, Rich. Warmecombe, Nicholas Chippenham, and John Beryton.

Canterbury Castle: Sir John More, Sir Henry Guldeford, Sir Henry Wyatt, Sir Thos. Nevell, Edward Guldeford, Sir Wm. Haute, John Hales, Thos. Willoughby, serjeant-at-law, Chris. Hales, Wm. Rooper, Thos. Woode, Anthony Seyntleger.

Lincoln Castle: John lord Husey, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, sen., Sir Rob. Tyrwhite, Wm. Askewe, Wm. Skipwith, John Littelbury, Francis Broun, John Mounson, Thos. Gyldon, and Anthony Eirby.

Leicester Gaol: Sir Rob. Brudenell, Sir Rich. Sacheverell, Sir John Dygby, Sir Everard Dygby, Roger Wigston, Wm. Leigh, Thos. Trye, Wm. Assheby, Thos. Brokesby, Edward Warner, and John Fowler.

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Northampton Castle: Sir Rob. Brudenell, Sir Wm. Parre, Sir Wm. Gascoign, Rich. Knyghtley, Edmund Knyghtley, Anthony Ralegh, Edward Mountague, John Hasilwood, Edward Warner, and Wm. Saunders.

Nottingham Gaol: Sir John Byron, Sir Wm. Perpoynt, Sir John Markham, Anth. Babyngton, Wm. Clerkeson, Roger Grenall.

Norwich Castle: Thomas duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Sir Roger Townesend, Sir Wm. Paston, Sir James Boleyn, Sir John Heydon, John Shelton, Sir Thos. Benyngfeld, Wm. Elys, John Spelman, serjeant-at-law, Wm. Conyngesby, Francis Moundeford, and John Tyndale.

Oxford Castle, in counties Oxon and Berks: Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. Inglefeld, Sir John Dauuce, Sir Wm. Essex, Sir Adrian Fortescue, Sir Simon Harecourte, Sir Wm. Barantyne, Sir Thos. Elyott, Edward Fetyplace, Wm. Fermour, Wm. Yong, Thos. Denton, John Latton, Thos. Warde, and John Osbaldeston.

Okeham Castle, Rutland: Sir Rob. Brudenell, Sir John Dygby, Rich. Sapcotes, John Harynton, Francis Broune, Edward Mountague, George Makeworth, and John Caldcote.

Guldeford Castle: Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., Sir John More, Wm. Shelley, Sir Ric. Weston, Sir Thos. Nevell, Sir John Gage, Sir Matthew Broune, Sir John Gaynesford, John Scott, Chris. More, Thos. Stydall, Wm. Westbroke, and John Davestre.

Stafford Gaol, Staff.: Sir John Porte, Sir Anthony Fizherbert, Sir John Talbott, Sir John Gifford, John Vernon, George Greysley, William Horwood, John Grosvenour, and Thos. Moreton.

Shrewsbury Castle, Salop: George earl of Shrewsbury, Sir John Porte, Sir John Talbott, Sir Edward Croftes, John Salter, George Bromeley, John Leighton, Richard Hoorde, Richard Selman, Thos. Lakyn, Thos. Newporte, and Wm. Chorleton.

Winchester Castle, Hants: Rich. Lister, chief baron of the Exchequer, Sir Wm. Paulett, Sir Thos. Lysle, Sir Rich. Sandys, Sir Robt. Wallop, Sir Wm. Gifford, Ralph Pexsall, Rich. Andrewes, Stephen Cope, Nich. Tychebourn, and Edmund Mervyn.

Ipswich Gaol, Suff.: Thos. duke of Norfolk, Charles duke of Suffolk, Sir Robt. Drury, Sir Arthur Hopton, Sir Anthony Wyngfeld, Sir Thos. Tyrell of Gippyng, Humphrey Wyngfeld, John Sulyard, Lionel Talmage, John Jernegan, John Harvy of Oulton, Thos. Russhe, and Thos. Barnardeston.

Yevylchestre (Ilchester) Gaol, Somers.: Sir John Fitzjames, Sir Wm. Stourton, Sir Nicholas Wadham, Sir Henry Longe, Baldwin Malett, John Horsey, sen., John Brytt, John Fitzjames, jun., Philip Fulford, Thos. Jubbes, Wm. Vowell, and Wm. Portman.

Lewes Castle, Sussex: Ric. Lister, chief baron of the Exchequer, Wm. Shelley, John Hales, Sir Thos. Nevell, Sir John Gage, Sir John Dawtrey, Sir Richard Shirley, Sir Edward Bray, John Sakevyle, Ric. Covert, Rich. Devenysshe, Rich. Sakevyle, and Wm. Skardevyle.

Fyssherton Gaol, Wilts: Sir John Fitzjames, Rich. Lister, chief baron of the Exchequer, Rob. Bainham, Barth. Husey, Chas. Bulkeley, John Bonham, Anthony Stylman, and Thos. Yorke.

Worcester Castle: Sir Edward Crofte, Sir Gilbert Talbott, Sir George Throkmarton, John Salter, George Bromley, Thos. Nevell, John Pakyngton, Roger Wynter, Wm. Nevell, and Edmund Harwell.

Warwick Gaol, Warw.: Sir Edward Ferrers, Sir George Throkmarton, Roger Wygston, John Grevile, Wm. Legh, Wm. Feldyng, Thos. Trye, Rich. Verney, Wm. Wyllyngton, and Reginald Dygby.

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21. John Leylond, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Peppeling, in the marches of Calais; void by death. Windsor, 17 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 21 June. —P.S.

22. Sir Wm. Skevington, King's councillor. To be deputy of Henry duke of Richmond and Somerset, lieutenant of Ireland, on account of the youth of the said Duke. *Del.* Westm., 22 June 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 5.

ii. Copy of the above.

23. Thos. Wyat, Squire of the Body. To be marshal of the town, &c. of Calais, with the same number of soldiers as Sir John Wallop or Sir Edward Guldeforde or any other marshal of the said town and marches had and with the same fees. Windsor Castle, 11 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 June. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 22.

23. Sir John Walop. To be lieutenant of Calais Castle from 6 Oct. last, with 49 soldiers, one of them to be constable of the castle, 29 of the said soldiers to be armed infantry, and the remaining 20 to be bowmen, with 2*s.* a day, and 20*l.* a year for himself, 8*d.* a day for each of the infantry, and 6*d.* a day for each bowman, in the same manner as Sir John Donne, Sir Anth. Browne, Sir Nich. Carewe, Maurice lord Barkeley, Sir Robt. Wyngfeld, or Wm. Fytzwilliam held the same; on surrender of patent 27 Oct. 18 Hen. VIII.,* by which the office was granted to Wm. Fitzwilliam, treasurer of the King's household, on surrender of patent 10 Oct. 15 Hen. VIII.* granting it to Sir

* Neither of these patents is found on the rolls, nor is there any record of either among the privy seals or signed bills.

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Robt. Wingfield. Windsor Castle, 13 June 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 28.

23. Sir John Gage, vice-chamberlain of the King's Chamber. Grant of the lordship of Stewton, Linc., and of the annual rent of 8*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* paid by John Hennage as mentioned in patent 8 Feb. 19 Hen. VIII.; the annual rent of 21*l.* mentioned in the same patent as paid by John Jackson; the reversion of all rents and farms of lands of tenants, at will or otherwise, in Saltfletby, in the said lordship, on the expiration of the lease thereof to John Hennage; and the reversion of the site of the manor of Stewton and of the demesne lands in Stewton, &c.; of the tenements there called Esthowse and Westhowse, and 5 acres of land called Hedlande in Stewton, now held to farm by the said John Jackson, and all other messuages, &c. in Stewton, with reservations; on surrender (on account of their invalidity) of patent 8 Feb. 19 Hen.VIII. granting the said lordship of Stewton and other possessions to Anth. Browne and Alice his wife, and of patent 5 Aug. 21 Hen.VIII., granting to the said Sir John Gage the lordship and town of Nantwich ("Wici Albani" *alias* "Wici Malbe"), Cheshire, and the manors and lordships of Cowlane, Weston Wood *alias* Ulston Wood and Acton, lately belonging to Sir Wm. Stanley of London, attainted, temp. Hen.VII. which were parcel of the barony of Wick, as appears by inquisition taken before Wm. Brereton, escheator at North Wich, 26 April (then) last past. Westm., 23 June.

Vacated on personal surrender, 12 April 22 Hen.VIII., in consideration of a patent of that date granting to the said Sir John the manors of Borham and Rokeland, Essex.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

23. Sir Ant. Brown, knight of the Body, and Alice his wife. Grant of the lordship and town of Nantwich ("Wicam Albani," *alias* "Wici Malbe," *alias* "Wici Malbani,") Cheshire; the manors and lordships of Cowlane, Weston Woode *alias* Wolston Woode, Acton Newhall, and Coppenhall, Cheshire; 66*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.* rent in Wick, Newhall, Cowlane, Coppenhall, Weston Wood and Acton, Chesh.; the manor of Egylton, Rutland, with advowsons, &c. belonging to the said manors, &c.; all which, except the said manor of Egylton, were parcel of the barony of Nantwich, and came to the hands of Henry VII. by the attainder of Sir Wm. Stanley, and which said manor of Egylton came to the King's hands by the attainder of Edward duke of Buckingham; at the annual rent of 17*l.* This patent is granted on surrender (on account of their invalidity) of patent 8 Feb. 19 Hen.VIII., granting to the said Sir Anth. and Alice his wife the lordship or manor of Stewton, Linc., and other possessions, and of patent 5 Aug. 21 Hen. VIII. granting to Sir John Gage, vice-chamberlain of the Chamber, certain of the above possessions. Westm., 23 June.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 12.

24. Wm. Lyte, *alias* Light, of Lytiscary, Somers. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 24 June 22 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 6.

27. John Johnson, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Cheping Ongre, London dioc. Windsor, 12 June 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 27 June.—P.S

28. For the earl of Desmond. Licence to export from England to Ireland 500 quarters of beans and peason, for the relief of the people there. Hampton Court, 25 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 June.—P.S.

28. Elizabeth Milborn of London. Pardon for having, on 25 March 13 Hen. VIII., stolen certain goods belonging to John Roy, at Westminster. *Del.* Westm., 28 June 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 4.

28. Cecilia Flegge of London. Pardon for having, on 13 Feb. 1 Hen.VIII., stolen certain goods belonging to John Horselett. *Del.* Westm., 28 June 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 4.

28. Geo. Bevys of Weldgullet, Essex, yeoman. Exemption from serving on juries, &c. Hampton Court, 25 June 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 June—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 27.

28. Joan Corbett of London. Pardon for having, on 6 Oct. 5 Hen.VIII., stolen certain goods belonging to John Walpole of London. *Del.* Westm., 28 June 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 4.

28. Gaol Delivery.

Bedford Castle: at Bedford. Sir Robt. Brudenell, Ric. Lyster, chief baron of the Exchequer, Thos. Fitzhugh and Wm. Wyat.

Aylesbury Gaol: at Aylesbury, Bucks.

Cambridge Castle: at the Castle.

Huntyngdon Castle: at Huntingdon.

Ipswich Gaol: at Henhowe, Suff.

Norwich Castle: at Norwich.

Bury St. Edmunds Gaol: at Henhowe, Suff.

Canterbury Castle: at Maydeston. Sir John More, Thos. Inglefeld, and Ric. Lyndesell.

Colchester Castle: at Chelmesford, Essex.

Hertford Castle: at Hertford.

Lewys Castle: at Horsham, Sussex.

Guldeford Castle: at Guldeford, Surrey.

Lincoln] Castle: at the castle. Sir Humphrey Conyngesby, Robt. Norwiche and John Jenour.

Lincoln City Gaol: at the city.

Northampton Castle: at the castle.

Okeham Gaol: at Bradecrofte, Rutland.

Notyngham Gaol: at Nottingham.

Notyngham Town Gaol: at the town.

Derby County Gaol: at Derby.

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Leycester Gaol: at Leicester.
Coventry Gaol: at the city.
Warwick County Gaol: at Warwick.
Worcester Castle: at Worcester. Sir John Porte, Thos. Willoughby, and Thos. Brudenell, sen.
Hereford Castle: at Ludford, Heref.
Shrewsbury Castle: at Shrewsbury, Salop.
Stafford Gaol: at Stafford.
Gloucester Castle: at Gloucester.
Oxford Castle: at Oxford, Oxon and Berks.
Winchester Castle: at Winchester, Hants.
Fyssherton Anger Gaol: at Salisbury, Wilts.
Dorchester Gaol: at Shaftesbury, Dorset.
Yevylchestre (Ilchester) Gaol: at Somerton, Somers.
Exeter Castle: at Exeter, Devon.
Launceston Castle: at Launceston, Cornw.
York Castle: at the Castle. Sir Anthony Fitzherbert, John Spelman and James Fox.
York City Gaol: at the city.
Newcastle-upon-Tyne Gaol: at the town.
Carlisle Castle: at Penreth, Cumb.
Newcastle-upon-Tyne Castle: at the castle.
Appulby Castle: at Appulby, Westmor.
Westm., 28 June.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 7*d.*

29. Robt. Fodryngey of Sandwich, Kent, sherman. Pardon. *Del.* Westm., 29 June 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 4.

29. Joan wife of Wm. Pate of London, fuller. Pardon for having, on 3 Jan. 19 Hen. VIII., abetted Thomas Fowle, "woleman," of London, in stealing certain goods belonging to Christ, Crowe, surgeon, in the parish of St. Michael, Paternoster, London. *Del.* Westm., 29 June 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 4.

29. Margaret Lyle of London. Pardon for having, on 21 Jan. 13 Hen.VIII., stolen certain goods belonging to Thos. Clerke and John Wylson, at Shordyche, Middx. *Del.* Westm., 29 June 22 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 4.

29. Elizabeth Bedell, *alias* Akyrman, of London. Pardon for having, on 24 Aug. 19 Hen.VIII., stolen certain monies belonging to John Granger, draper, at the priory of St. Bartholomew the Greater in Westsmythfield, London. *Del.* Westm., 29 June 22 Hen.VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 4.

29. Ric. Chalmor. Presentation to the perpetual chantry of lord Beauchamp in St. Paul's cathedral, London, *vice* Robt. Rawson, clk., resigned. Hampton Court, 26 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 June.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 27.—*Addressed to the dean and chapter of St. Paul's.*

29. Robt. Latymer of Duntishe, Dorset, *alias* of Bristol, *alias* of London, servingman, *alias* "saynctuaryman." Pardon. Hampton Court, 25 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 3.

29. Thos. Hobbys, S.T.D. Collation to the deanery of St. George, Windsor Castle. Greenwich, 28 June 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 June.—P.S.

29. John Hurt, LL.B. Presentation to the parish church of Upham, Winchester dioc., void by death. Hampton Court, 25 June 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 June.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 27.

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1 July. **6491.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit.B.XIII. 91. B. M. Pocock's Burnet, IV. 134.

Today obtained the common seal of the university of Padua. The doctors assembled on Sunday, and the case was disputed all Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and this Friday morning, when they desired a notary to set his hand to an instrument devised by Leonicus and Simonetus in corroboration of the cause. [For] more credence they caused the chancellor of the potestate also to set his seal thereto. Sends copies of everything. The general of the Black Friars has forbidden any Black Friar disputing the Pope's power, but Omnibonus daily procures new subscriptions, and will do so until the brief to the contrary comes to his hands. The Lutherans, of whom there are no small companies both here and at Padua and Ferrara, oppose the King as much as possible.

Doubts not that all Chr[istian] universities, if well handled, will earnestly conclude for the King. Thinks it would be very expedient to obtain their assent in Italy, France, Almayne, Austria, Hungary, and Scotland. Thinks no more can be done from Venice to Rome. The 110 subscriptions which

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he has procured would have been nothing in comparison with what he would have obtained if he had had money. At this hour has neither provision nor money, and has borrowed 100 cr., which have been spent in getting this seal. Has written several times about his necessities, and has sent divers books and writings, some to Hierome Molyns, a Venetian, factor to Mappheus Bernardus, by Edmond Herwell, and some to Tuke; but he has not heard whether they have been delivered. Has kept copies, and incloses a bill stating by whom and to whom he sent his letters. Asks for help. Venice, 1 July, at night, a° 30.

A letter from Simonetus accompanies this.

Hol., copy, pp. 2, *mutilated.*

R. O. Rym. XIV. 398. 2. Opinion of the university of Padua that the Pope cannot grant a dispensation for the marriage of a man with his deceased brother's wife. St. Augustine's Church, Padua, 1 July 1530.

Cart. Harl. 83 c. 22. B. M. 3. Transumpt by Bartholomew de Pedretis, notary public, made in the house of John Baptist da Casale, prothonotary at Venice, 22 Aug. 1530. *With the seal of the university of Padua.*

Lat., vellum.

R. O. 4. Extracts favorable to the King's cause, from the letters and counsel of Francesco Georgio, subscribed by friar Dominic, a theologian of Padua; and from the counsel of Mark de Mantua, subscribed by 34 doctors of law.

Lat., pp. 3.

1 July. **6492.** DR. CALLISTUS to CROKE.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 327. Since Croke left Verona, has accompanied the Bishop on a visitation of his diocese, and could not attend to the business of which they had spoken. Asks him to excuse his not having sent a resolution of his doubts. Thinks his writings will be needless, as Croke has obtained the services of the colleges. Verona, 1 July 1530.

Lat., p. 1. *Endd. by Croke:* The copy of Dr. Callistus' letters, vicar general to the bishop of Verona.

R. O. 2. Copy of the same, also endorsed by Croke.

1 July. **6493.** SIMON ARDEUS, Ordinary of the Friars Minors at the University of Padua, to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 328. Was informed of the King's desire by the bishop of London and Croke, and has caused all the doctors of theology in the university to be favorable to the King, as appears from their determination. Will faithfully serve his Majesty. Padua, 1 July 1530.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.*

July. **6494.** SIMON ARDEUS, Ordinary of the Friars Minors at the University of Padua, to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 329. Sends the work which the King desired, the joint production of himself and Leonicus, who has been laboring in the King's cause as earnestly as if for himself, and has spent day and night in exhorting the doctors of the university. He has induced all to be unanimous in their opinion. Sends the instrument concerning it, which he has shown to the bishop of London and Croke. Padua, — July 1530.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.*

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1 July. **6495.** LAURENCE STUBBES to WOLSEY.
R. O. Has made search in the city for cloths of baudkin and cloths of gold, and caused Stephen Humble and Thos. Yonge to search also. Finds the city destitute of them, "partly by reason of your late great occupying thereof," partly because they have been much taken up by the King, and partly because the Florentines are more engaged in war than merchandise. "I beseech your Grace, take all this for no delay, for thof I be a priest of small land and promotions, and a poor man daily sustaining great charges by abiding here at Westminster for the King's buildings, and also am at great cost in defending myself in an action of *præmunire* and other, yet I shall not fail to purvey for your Grace the said cloths, thof I should for the payment thereof lay to pledge and sell all the plate I have. Since your Grace hath been in trouble I have sold land by the yearly valor of 8*l.* and spent the money." Westminster, 1 July.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

1 July. **6496.** PETER VANNES to WOLSEY.
R. O. Has received his letters in favor of Wm. Perpoynte. Wolsey may always command him, and need not address him in the style of a request, as he shall always consider it his duty to comply. Has written to a friend of his in the city to expedite Wolsey's wish, as it is not in his own power. Adds a little news as to public affairs, not from any desire that the Cardinal should turn his mind to these things from his present devotions, but that he may receive a little pleasure, and Vannes may prolong his letters. The King is in good health, and applies himself to business with his Council. The Emperor's chancellor is dead. It would have have been well if he had died before. Andrea Doria has obtained a victory over Barbarossa's pirates. Hopes that Wolsey will persevere in his present mode of life, and not be agitated by public events, as this is the only means left him of mollifying the temper of the King and the nobles, and preserving their affections. London, 1 July 1530.
Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* To my very singular good lord, my lord Cardinal's good grace.

2 July. **6497.** THE DIVORCE.
R. O. Sentence of the theological faculty in the university of Paris on the
Rym. XIV. 393. same. Paris, 2 July 1530.
Lat., vellum.
R. O. 2. Contemporary copy.
R. O. 3. Notarial transumpt of the above. Paris, 6 July 1530.
Rym. XIV. 394. *Lat., vellum. Endd. by Tunstal.*

3 July. **6498.** MAI to CHARLES V.
Add. MS. * * * *
28,580, f. 216. B. M. In the cause of England I prosecute my terms; and although we are now on the eve of the holidays, and tomorrow is the last audience, and it will do little good if the Pope do not give us the commission, which I know is already written, his Holiness is sending a man to the King to persuade him either to desist or to submit to judgment. As I could do nothing for three months, I said it appeared to me well. Although, meanwhile, I can but solicit the commission and the cause, I see well that the Pope will excuse himself, saying that he awaits an answer from thence; but since he is so unwilling to commit himself, I have sent notice to the Queen of the state of matters.

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The man sent by the Pope is the baron de Loburjo, a Sicilian, of whom he had some suspicion at the time of the league, though without cause. I have done all I honorably could to dissuade his despatch; but in the end did not wish to revoke it, as he professes to be a very devout servant of your Majesty. (*Marginal note:*—That is well.) Rome, 3 July 1530.

Sp., pp. 3, *modern copy.*

3 July. **6499.** ITALY.

R. O. Extract of letters trom D. Gregory (Casale) to Goronus, dated Rome, 22 June.

Since his return to Rome, is diligently occupied in entertaining certain friars, and in the King's business. He highly praises the faith and learning of M. Dionysius, by whose authority much may be hoped for from the others.

He sends a copy of a letter to the bishop of London, showing his (Casale's) diligence in the King's cause. The Pope said he was certain that the King was seeking an opportunity of helping the Florentines, and letters had been intercepted stating that a commission had been despatched for that purpose into England. His Holiness feared that money had already been sent to Florence, and he thought the French king would also favor them through Henry's influence. It appears from the letters of Fras. de Bardis that Henry wishes these matters to be managed with the greatest secresy.

ii. From other letters of the same date.

He has prevailed on the cardinal of Tarbes to pay some learned theologians to write for the King's cause. Some of them say that although our side is the more reasonable, the matter ought to be discussed on both sides. He will take all pains to persuade Fr. Fanarius, a Frenchman, procurator general of the Dominican order, to write for the King, although some think he obtained his dignity by Imperial favor. Cardinal Ægidius seems desirous of pleasing the King, but cannot write for him, as the Pope has commissioned him to write on the matter, which will perhaps come before the College; he promises, however, to speak to Gregory about it from time to time. The Cardinal says that there are only two people in Italy learned in Hebrew, Magister Jacob, and one of those men whom the bishop of London had on his side at Bologna, by Casale's help.

Casale conjectures that although the Pope does not approve of what has hitherto been done by the Imperialists, they will do the same afresh at the first day of judgment. They are alarmed at the number of learned men consulted by the English, and are afraid that on their authority the King will wish to settle the cause in England.

Casale has had very bitter words with the Pope, but, in spite of all his repulses, hopes nothing will be done to the King's prejudice before the vacation, and, if anything is done, that it will be annulled.

6 May.—Other letters to Goronus, of the same tenor, showing his fidelity to the King.

3 July.—On public matters. The Pope, by advice of Ascanius Colonna, has made war on the abbot of Farfa, to little profit or honor. Hopes it will not be to the loss of the court, as he is occupied with another war against the Florentines, which Casale fears will last longer than desirable, as they have bread enough, and more is brought to them every day. The marquis of Guasto, who went to Naples to settle his business there before setting out as Ferdinand's general against the Turks, says that the sally of Stefano Colonna was very gallant, both on his side and that of the Germans.

He left Florence with 1,500 men in three bands, the centre a little beyond the others, and bearing red crosses. Having discovered the watchword of

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the Germans, they went straight into the camp by the rear, without the Germans knowing it, but he could not keep his men from plundering and slaying while waiting for the other two bands; and the Germans, half asleep, collected into a body and fought bravely, suffering a greater loss than the Italians.

Lat., pp. 4. *Endd.:* Excerpta summariæ ex literis D. Gregorii, Italice scriptis.

6500. [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B.XIII.93. B.M.

Asks his favor, for it is solely by his diligence and faithful conveyance that the King has obtained the subscriptions of 100 divines, besides c[ensura] collegii theologorum Patavinorum under their common seal, of which [he sends] a copy. The bishop of London will show the King what trouble he had to obtain it.

Has followed the Bishop's advice in all points. Has not hindered the pros[perity] of the King's cause, either by passion or by envy, as his Highness writes. Refused to communicate with the ambassador, because his instructions were to communicate only with the bishop of Worcester, and because those things to which he was privy utterly miscarried. Doubts not that the King now knows the truth from father Francis and prior Thomas; but, better to show his own innocence and the Cassali's cloaked infidelity, sends copies of three letters: the first, from Sir Gregory to his brother, showing how he, to the detriment of the King's cause, "embec[illed from] your ambassador and me the determinations of the universiti[es in] England;" the second showing that the ambassador tried to "embecyll" all father Francis' labors; and the third proving what he has before written to[uching] the cause why he dare not communicate with him.

Many who procured anything in the King's cause have been threatened [as well] by the Imperial ambassador as divers senators of Venice. Some have been cited before the Duke. If the King's letters [had not] prevented the fury of the Signory, they would have been utterly undone. Asks whether he now thinks feigned fear made him ask for letters to the [Senate that] every man might speak his mind.

Hol., draft, p. 1, *mutilated.*

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6501. [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

R. O.

This morning the Emperor's ambassador and many Spanish gentlemen came into prior Thomas' cell, where Croke was lodged. He asked the prior how he durst meddle in so great and weighty a matter, which not only "did enlessen [the King's?] and elevate the Pope's authority," but was odious to all Christian realms, alleging the great love of the nobles and commons of England for the Queen, for her virtues. He said also that if this conclusion took effect, many of the greatest princes would be disinherited and taken for bastards, including the Emperor and the king of Portugal. He replied that he wrote his conclusion according to the minds of holy saints and doctors, and that he was ignorant of its being the King's cause. The ambassador said that was impossible, for he had in his purse the Prior's letter to the King, promising to defend his cause; but he did not show it. If he has not the letter, cannot see how he can have heard of it but from England. If he has it, fears that many other things have miscarried, the danger of which might have been avoided, if advice had been sent to Croke these four months.

Gave his letters directed to Tuke, either to the master of the posts at Venice, with money for their safe conveyance, or to Edmund Harwel to be sent by the Belgers in Flanders to Jerome Molyns, their correspondent factor, for Mapheus Bernardi of Venice. Conjectures that the Emperor's

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ambassador has the conclusion which friar Thomas delivered to John Cassale. Has Gregory's letter in his own hand, confessing that he "embecilled" the seal of the universities of England, of which he encloses a copy. Asks for money and advice. If he has not provision beforehand, cannot maintain his diligence in the King's cause. In the barge, in post from Padua to Venice, 4 July.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

R. O. *P.S. on a separate slip.*—After closing this letter, the ambassador Cassale showed him letters from England, and said that he had heard from Grony his servant that the King spoke to him words of challenge against both Sir Gregory and himself, and that he commanded the duke of Norfolk to charge Grony to make no advice of the King's words to them. By the advice of those about the King, Croke and his fellows are in great danger, and the King's causes much hindered. The bishop of London is in no less danger.

Vit. B.XIII.92. 2. Draft of the same.
R. M. *In Croke's hand.*

R. O. 3. Copy of Sir Gregory's letter above referred to. Dated, "In Monticello," 9 April 1530.

6502. CROKE'S EXPENCES.

R. O. To Thomas Omnibonus, prior of St. John and St. Paul, 10 cr.

To Leonicus, for Simonetus and doctors, 10 cr. To doctors of Padua, notaries, and scriveners, 9 cr.

To the master of the posts, 1 cr. To John Maria, going to the bishop of London at Bologna, 3 cr. To a messenger going to Udina, 3 cr. To Antony, going to the bishop of London at Bologna, 5 cr.

Returning to Venice from Bologna: To Ferrara, 4 horses, 4 cr.; to Rovigo, 4 horses, 2 cr.; to Padua, 4 horses, 2 cr.; to Venice, by boat, 1 cr. 4 "marcelli argentei."

Going to the bishop of Verona: From Venice to Padua by boat, 1 cr. 8 mar.; to Vicenza, 3 horses, 1 cr.; to Verona, 3 horses, 1 cr. Similar expences returning, except the boat, 1 cr. 4 mar.

Four journeys from Venice to Padua and back, by boat, 1 cr. 4 mar. each journey.

P. 1, *Lat. Endd.:* A bill of expences laid out by me since 27 May unto 7 July.

5 July. **6503.** DR. GARAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 218. B. M. Is writing to the Emperor by way of England. Requests him to provide at Rome that his Holiness may accept two commissary judges for the Queen's cause, because, as the ambassador has written to me, they have concluded against God, the Church and your Majesty. For our part, we have so many votes, that with the four we might win all the others (?); and your Majesty has the better occasion to pursue the right, because every man of learning and good life is on the side of truth. Before the plea is put forward that Katharine is the Emperor's subject (*antes que muden proposito que es su natural*), it is necessary to take great care that the king of England do not presume to carry the divorce of his own mere will against the Pope's inclination. Thinks, therefore, it is more important now than ever that the Pope should insist on Henry living with his Queen; for the conclusion taken here will commit him to hell, it has been done in so corrupt and violent a manner. Sends the names to the Emperor, that all the world may know them, and especially the Pope. The inventors

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of this tragedy are Alanges (Langeais), who had used as great diligence in all abominable ways as if he expected to be made duke of Lancaster (Alancastre), and a Dominican friar, who is bishop of Senlis, and was in time past confessor to the King. The chief president also has done much in the matter. Cannot conceive what moves him. Paris, 5 July.

Names of the commissaries appended:—André Verins, canon of Paris, councillor of the King in Parliament, and president *in camera Inquestarum ejusdem curiæ*, Jacques de la Barre, provost of Clermont, councillor in Parliament and president *in camera Requestarum.*

Sp., pp. 3, *modern copy from the French archives formerly at Simancas.*

6 July. Add. MS. 28,580, f. 220. B. M.

6504. The ABBOT OF LLOR to LOS COBOS.

Information about the English ambassador having spoken to cardinal Ægidius to obtain his opinion in favor of the king of England. Rome, 6 July 1530.

Sp. pp. 4, *modern copy from Simancas.*

7 July. R. O.

6505. REGINALD POLE to HENRY VIII.

The conclusion of the divines in the university of Paris in "your great matter" was "achieved" according to the King's purpose on Saturday last; but the sealing of the same has been put off, and to this day the King's agents have not been able to obtain it. The adverse party use every means to "embecyll" the whole determination, that it may not take effect. The bearer, Mr. Fox, has used great diligence and prudence in withstanding them; whose presence he had urged at the first breaking of the matter among the faculty. As he has been informed by Lupsett, and afterwards by Fox, that the King cannot grant him longer absence after this matter is achieved, hopes to wait upon him shortly. Paris, 7 July. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

7 July. Rym. XIV. 401. P. S.

6506. For EDWARD LEE, Clerk, the King's Almoner.

Grant of a canonry and prebend in the collegiate chapel of St. Stephen, Westminster, *vice* John Stokesley. Hampton Court, 3 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 7 July.

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8 July. Add. MS. 28,580, f. 224. B. M.

6507. CHARLES V. to the EMPRESS.

In behalf of ——— Ortiz, whom he is sending to Rome on the matter of the queen of England. Augsburg, 8 July 1530.

Sp., pp. 2, *modern copy from Simancas.*

8 July. MS. 2,997, f. 11. Bibl. Nat.

6508. HENRY VIII. to MONTMORENCY.

Compliments him on the dexterity he has shown in procuring the liberation of the French king's children. Henry is as much rejoiced at it as if they had been his own. Westm., 8 July 1530.

Fr., from a transcript.

8 July. MS. 3,037, f. 47. Bibl. Nat.

6509. NORFOLK to [MONTMORENCY].

Thanks him for his kindness to his nephew, Sir Francis Bryan, and for his news respecting the deliverance of the French children, which is a great satisfaction to his master. London, 8 July 1530.

Fr., from a transcript.

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9 July. **6510.** W. CAPON to WOLSEY.

R. O. I and the Sub-Dean of your college in Ipswich repaired this term to London, and retained the best counsel we could, *sc.* Mr. Fayerfax, serjeant-at-law, Mr. Pagyngton, Mr. Humphrey Wyngfild, Mr. Baker, recorder of London, Mr. Hynde, Mr. Hare, and Mr. Talmage, with the advice of my Lord Chief Justice, whom we found very favorable. But they cannot find with their learning that the law will bear us out in our causes concerning your college, as you had incurred the *præmunire* before its erection, and the same is so found by the King's council. They find that the lands of your colleges were granted unto your Grace and your heirs in fee simple for ever; and, by reason of the *præmunire*, have reverted to their first nature, with all the circuit of the late priory of St. Peter's, on which the college was founded. The Council have made books to find offices upon all the premises, and we have no remedy except to petition the King; which we have done, but with little comfort. We have found my lord of Norfolk as favorable to us as we could have desired; and if the law would have borne us out, he would have stuck fast to us like a friend. The suit is chargeable, and our rents are detained. Some of my plate is at pledge, and some I have sold, and am "at a great after-deal." When the commons and charges of the college are paid, my payments will exceed the receipts; and if the King take from us the rents due at Michaelmas, unless you are gracious lord unto me, I am undone. I cannot but perceive the King intends to take all the said rents to his own use. London, 9 July. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Sealed. Add.*

11 July. **6511.** SIR NICHOLAS HARVY to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Has written twice on his journey hither,—first from Mechlin on the 22nd ult., and again from Cologne on the 27th. The latter he delivered to Sir Harman Rynge, addressed to the King's ambassador with the Lady Margaret. *Mentioned a league said to have been taken with the Turk, and an appointment between Don Fernando and Vyvalde (the Waywode), but hears no word of it.* Arrived at Augsburg on Friday the 8th; was conducted to the Emperor in his bed-chamber the second day after, who, when he had declared the first part of his charge, answered, *without alluding to the King's great cause,* that the ambassador should be always welcome. Next day visited the king of Hungary, and delivered the King's letter to him; at which he seemed greatly rejoiced, and said he should be always glad to hear of the King's convalescence.

A great diet is here assembled. The bishop of Trere and the Count Palatine Ludovic only are absent from illness, but have given a general consent to all that shall be done by the Emperor and the Electors. *Daily Councils are held about the Lutherans, but hitherto with little effect, though the Cardinal of Luke, with whom he supped last night, thinks the heads of that sect incline to the Emperor's mind. Word has come* that the town and camp of Florence are infected with the plague, and that the Emperor is in doubt of the prince of Orange, his chief captain there. Some think the Emperor has been quite as much a scourge as a friend to the Pope in that enterprise. *Sends a letter from duke George of Saxony in answer to the King's letter sent by the writer.* Osbourghe, in the county of Swethin, 11 July 1530.

Sends a duplicate of this letter by Sir Herman. No one has yet *spoken to him of the King's cause.*

Add. Endd. by Wyatt. Partly cipher deciphered.

R. O. 2. Duplicate. *Add. Endd. Part cipher deciphered.*

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13 July. **6512.** [CROKE] to TUKE.

Vit.B.XIII.94. B. M. Has received his letters, to his high [displeasure,] because he sees that Tuke wrongly thinks that he blamed him to the King. If he had intended to do this, or had not singular trust in his friendship, would not have made instant suit to the King to trust only Tuke or Foxe with the secret part of his letters. It seems that Tuke will charge him "with an . . . . . of my preparations the which the King gave me," and that he says that Croke received from Antony Bonvyse 90*l.* Has never received anything from him, except 200 ducats *de largo* today, 13 July, anno xxii, "for all other money a[mounting] to 1,000 ducats, besides that that I received at my d[eparture] . . . . . uyd of my lord of Worcester, and by his order," as appears by the account sent to Tuke, and sent also to the King in the bishop of London's packet, which doubtless the King has given to Tuke. Yet he pretends that he has no reckoning from Croke, and leaves him utterly destitute of his diets, so that he has been fain to [borrow], and the money is spent before it comes. "Ye sent by the order of Bonvyse to my lord . . . . for 80*l.* and 4*l.* my rate of my diets for three months, bu[t] . . . . as my lord Worcester sent me word by his letters sending . . . . . his writing in that behalf Bonvix own letter unto me by . . . ., so that ye never sent to me 90*l.*" Reminds him of his poverty, and the necessity of money for the King's causes. Was in debt 200 cr. before this 200 duc[ats arrived]. His diets expired on May 27. Asks him to consider that 48 days of his new diets were pa[ssed when the] ducats came; the parcels laid out, and his poverty. "Surely if . . . . . the instance of my lord of London had * * * diets as for my charges in the King's business, which, if ye do not the shortlier, there is no remedy but I must needs come home, and that a-begging." Venice, 13 July.

Hol., draft, pp. 2, mutilated.

[13 July.] **6513.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Rym. XIV.405. The Spiritual and Temporal Lords of England to pope Clement VII., praying him to consent to the King's desires, and pointing out the evils which arise from delaying the divorce.

The following signatures are added in thirteen separate columns, one or more columns being devoted to each different grade of the nobility.

Archiepiscopi: T. Cardinalis Ebor. Willelmus Cantuar.——*Duces:* Tho. Norffolk. Charlys Suffolk.——*Marchiones:* T. Dorssett. H. Exetar. ——*Comites:* William Arundell. John Oxynforde. H. Northumbreland. Rauf Westmoreland. G. Shrouesbury. Henry Essex. E. Derby. H. Worcester. Thomas Rutland. Henry Comberland. Robert Sussex. G. Huntyngton. G. of Kyldare.——*Episcopi:* Robert Cicestrens. Johannes Karliolens. Johannes Lincolniens. Richardus Menevensis.——*Barones:* Henr. Mountague. George Rocheford. Wylliem Weston. G. Bergevenny. John Audelay. Herre Scrope. Thomas Dacre. Thomas La Warre. William Dacre. Tho. Barkley. Harry Morley. George Cobham. Rychard Latymer. Edar Stourton. John Fetzwareyn. John Berners. Jhon Lumley. W. Mountjoy. Cristofer Conyers. Herry Daubeny. T. Darcy. T. Montegle. Wylliem Sandys. John Husey. Andrew Wyndesor. Thomas Wentworth. Thomas Burgh.——*Abbates:* John abbot of Westminster. Johannes abbas de Bury S. Edmundi. Rich. abbas de Glaston. Willelmus abbas de Gloucester. Thomas abbas de Abendon. Hugh abbot of Reading. Edmund abbot of York. John abbot of Peterburgh. Johannes abbas de Ramsey. Johannes abbas de Croyland. Ro.(?) abbas de Thorney. Robertus abbas de Selby. Willelmus abbas de Bardney. Willel-

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mus abbas S. Benedicti de Hulmo. Thomas abbas S. Johannis juxta Colcester. Johannes abbas de Hyde. Clement abbot of Evesham. Ric. abbot of Malmesbury. Rycharde abbot of Winchelcombe. Robertus abbas S. Crucis de Waltham. John abbot of Circeter. Henry abbot of Teuxbury.——*Milites et Doctores in Parlamento:* William Fitz-William. Henry Guldeford. Stephen Gardiner. John Gage. William Kyngston. Brian Tuke. R. Sacheverell. Rich. Sampson. Edw. Lee. Rich. Wolman. Jo. Bennet (?).

13 July. **6514.** RODRIGO NIÑO to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 241. B. M.

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Since the return of the bishop of London from Padua, has endeavored to learn what he did there. Although the Signory has always informed me that it was without effect, I knew that he had convoked some friars, who, in the name of a college of divines, had given a determination in favor of the king of England against the power of the Pope. Having ascertained this I went to the college, and told the Prince before his Council of Ten, wondering greatly that such a thing should have been done after the assurance given me to the contrary. They stood amazed, and said they were not aware that there was a college of divines at Padua, and that if any friar had given an opinion in it, it was a thing of little moment. I certified them that the thing was so, and that it was of serious weight, because I had written to your Majesty how determined they were that no opinion should issue from their university of Padua that would touch the authority of the Church. They replied they could not believe it; but they sent to Padua, and expressed great regret on finding my information was true. They sent for one of the friars, and made him produce a copy of the opinion given to the bishop of London, with the names of all who were concerned in it. Sends another copy to the Emperor, and will send one to Mai to show the Pope. Is angry beyond measure with the Signory for this remissness. Hears the king of England's agents have obtained more than 150 signatures. Wonders they are not 100,000; for those that they cannot obtain by promises they do by threats, and all their proceedings are secret. The general of the Augustines, who, as the Emperor knows, is here, has been importuned to declare in favor of the King. He excused himself on the ground of business; but they pressed him so hard, that he told them he would not put his hand to a matter of so great scandal, so injurious to the Church, and to persons so nearly allied to the Emperor as the queen of England and the king of Portugal; for the father of the latter, Don Manuel, had dispensation in the same degree. They then told him that the monasteries of his Order in England had declared for the King, and that they would suffer for him what they would not on their own account. He told them that they might do what they liked with the monasteries. They told him also that he knew it was the intention of the king of England, when he had got the opinions of the learned, if the Pope refused to annul (*dar por ninguna*) the dispensation, to marry in fact the lady he meant to marry, and put the Queen in a castle where no one should see her. All this the General has told me in great secresy.

The Signory would have sent orders to the friars to unsay what they have written against the power of the Pope, if I had only asked them; but I did not wish to do it without instructions, and perhaps it is better not to attribute too much weight to their opinions. Venice, 13 July 1530.

Sp., pp. 11, *modern copy from Simancas.*

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13 July. **6515.** WOLSEY'S POSSESSIONS.

Fiddes' Coll. p. 174.

Inquisitions after the attainder of cardinal Wolsey, taken in divers counties.

In *Surrey*, by Bartholomew prior of St. Mary's Overy, Southwark. In *Yorkshire*, by Sir Rob. Constable, Sir Rob. Aske, Sir Marmaduke Constable, sen., Thomas Fairfax serjeant-at-law, and Rob. Chaloner, Westm., 13 July 22 Hen. VIII. In *Norfolk*, by Sir James Boleyn, Sir Fras. Lovel, John Spelman, serjeant-at-law, and Fras. Montford In *Notts*, by Sir Brian Stapleton, Sir Wm. Perpoynt, Sir John Beryn and Sir John Markham.

14 July. **6516.** WOLSEY'S POSSESSIONS.

Rym. XIV. 402.

Commissions to the parties hereafter named to make inquisition in different counties concerning the possessions held by Thos. cardinal archbishop of York, on 2 Dec. 15 Hen. VIII., when the Cardinal committed certain offences against the Crown, for which he was attainted. Westm., 14 July.

In London: Sir Ralph Dodmar, mayor, Sir John Aleyn, John Baker and William Walsyngham. *Midd.:* Robert Wroth, Roger Cholmeley, Richard Hawkys and Robert Cheseman. *Kent:* Sir Thomas Nevell, John Hales, one of the barons of the Exchequer, Thomas Willoughby, serjeant-at-law, and Christopher Hales, the attorney general. *Surrey:* Sir William Fitzwilliam, jun., John Scot, one of the barons of the Exchequer, Christopher More and Thomas Stydalf. *Sussex:* Sir Edward Bray, Richard Covert, Thomas Thatcher and John Michell. *Bucks:* Sir John Mordaunt, Sir William Gascoign of Cardyngton, Sir Robert Lee, John Baldewyn and Roger Gifford. *Essex:* Robert Norwiche, serjeant-at-law, Thomas Audeley, Thomas Bonham and Richard Riche. *Herts:* Sir Philip Buttyller, Thomas Perient, sen., John Brokett and John Dokwra. *Cambridge:* Sir Robert Payton, Thomas Elliott, Giles Alyngton, Thomas Lucas and Philip Parys. *Northampton:* Sir William Fitzwilliam, sen., Sir William Parre, Sir Thomas Tressham and Edward Mountague. *York:* Sir Robert Constable, Sir Robert Aske, Sir Marmaduke Constable, sen., Thomas Fayrfax, serjeant-at-law, and Robert Chaloner. *York city:* Sir George Lawson, the mayor, Sir William Paulett, Thomas Fairfax, serjeant-at-law, and Robert Chaloner. *Lincoln:* Sir William Askue, John Hennage, Anthony Eirby and Thomas Gildon. *Notts:* Sir William Paulett, Sir Brian Stapleton, Sir William Perpoynte and Sir John Byron. *Gloucester:* Sir William Paulett, Sir Anthony Poyntz, Sir John Brudges, Sir William Denys and Robert Wye. *Oxon:* Sir John Daunce, Sir William Barentyne, Edward Chamberleyn and William Fermour. *Berks:* Sir William Essex, John Noreys, Henry Brigges and John Lotton. *Warwick:* Sir George Throkmarton, Sir Edward Ferrers, Sir Edward Willoughby and Roger Wigston. *Leicester:* Sir Richard Sacheverell, Sir John Villers, Roger Wygston and Thomas Brokesby. *Rutland:* Richard Sapcotes, John Haryngton, Edward Mountague and Francis Broune. *Norfolk:* Sir James Boleyn, Sir Francis Lovell, John Spelman, serjeant-at-law, and Francis Moundeford. *Suffolk:* Sir Philip Tylney, Humphrey Wyngfeld, Thomas Germyn and Thos. Russhe. *Hants:* Richard Lyster, chief baron of the Exchequer, Sir William Paulett, Nicholas Tychebourne, Richard Andrewes and William Hawles. *Somerset:* Sir William Paulett, Sir Nicholas Wadham, Sir Richard Warre, William Porteman. *Stafford:* Sir John Gifford, Sir Edward Aston, Edward Lyttelton and John Vernon. *Wilts:* Sir Edward Baynton, Sir John Seymour, Sir Henry Longe, Robert Baynard and Bartholomew Husey. *Durham:* Sir William Paulett, Sir William Bulmer, Sir William Eures, Sir Thomas Tempest and Richard Bellesys. Westm. 14 July.

Pat. 22 Hen. VIII. p. 1, m. 8d. and 9d.

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2. Inquisitions on the lands held by Wolsey in the counties of Berks, Bucks, Camb. York, Essex, Glouc., Hertf., Kent, Leic., Linc., London, Middx., Worc., Northton. Notts, Oxon, Rutland, Soms., Southampton, Suff., Surr., Suss., Warw., Wilts.

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R. O. 3. Draft of part of an inquisition on a portion of the lands of cardinal Wolsey. Found that the said Cardinal, after "the said" 2 Dec. 15 Hen. VIII., viz., on the 2nd Oct. 20 Hen. VIII., was and still is bishop of St. Swithin's cathedral, Winchester, by right of which he is seized of the manors of West Wycombe, Ivyngho, and Moreton, Bucks, and has received the profits thereof from 2 Oct. 20 Hen. VIII. to 25 March 20 Hen. VIII., since which date the King has received them.

Pp. 2, *large paper.*

R. O. 4. Draft of portion of a similar inquisition, in which the same facts are found relative to the manor and borough of Wytney, Oxon, and the manors of Eaderbury, Brightwell, and Herwell.

Pp. 2, *large paper.*

R. O. 5. Nineteen drafts of the findings in different inquisitions, viz., for Berks, Durham, Glouc., Hants, Lincoln, Midd., Notts, Surrey, Warwick, Wilts, and city of York, relative to the possessions of cardinal Wolsey as archbishop of York and bishop of Winchester.

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R. O. 6. Assignment of the estates of the said colleges; *sc.* to the college of Windsor, to the priory of Shene, to the abbot of Waltham, to Geo. Colt, to Christ's College, Cambridge, to St. Laurence Pountney, to the abbey of St. Albans; with a list of those still in the King's hands.

Also, lands given by the King to Sir Francis Bryan and Sir Edw. Seymour.

Pp. 16. *In Wriothesley's hand.*

R. O. 7. Similar assignment of lands to the above, to the abbey of Westminster, to the college at Oxford, the school at Ipswich, Rob. Downes, Sir Thos. Clyfford, Sir —— Huddelston, Adrian Fortescue, Sir Ric. Page, the earl of Worcester, Sir Anthony Ughtrede, John Penne, Sir John Gage, Sir Will. Gascoynge.

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R. O. 8. Lease made by the surveyors of crown lands to George Jenour of certain premises in Borham and Rokelond, &c., Suss., which were let to him by the dean of Cardinal's College, Oxford, before Wolsey's attainder.

Paper roll, 5 *sheets.*

R. O. 9. Demise of certain lands in Lamberhurst, Kent, to Thomas Darell, by the dean of Cardinal's College in Oxford, after Wolsey's attainder.

Draft, Lat., paper roll.

R. O. 10. Draft petition of John Higdon, dean, and canons of Cardinal's College, Oxford, praying the King that they may continue to enjoy the possessions granted to them by Cardinal Wolsey before his disgrace, notwithstanding the inquisitions by which they were seized into the King's hands.

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R. O. 11. Draft of a warrant to the bailiffs and receivers of the duchy of Lancaster, &c., notifying them of a grant to the dean and canons of Cardinal's College, of the rents of the possessions of St. Frideswide, &c.

Fragment.

R. O. 12. Lease by the dean and canons of Cardinal's College, Oxford, to William Wybarn, of the mansion place of the manor of Begham, and lands, &c. belonging thereto, in cos. Kent and Sussex.

Large paper, pp. 3.

R. O. 13. Renewed lease of the same by Henry VIII. after Wolsey's attainder.

Large paper, pp. 7.

R. O. 14. Deed of covenant by which the abbot and convent of Abingdon agree to convey to the King a tenement called the Axe, &c., and the King to grant them other lands in exchange (blanks left for the names of the places), and to discharge the abbot of all former titles

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and encumbrances done by him, or by the dean and canons of the college lately called the Cardinal's College in Oxford.

Pp. 10, *large paper. Beginning lost.*

R. O. 15. Crown lands assigned by the King to the following bodies and persons.

To the College at Oxford: Rents and lands lately belonging to St. Frediswide's, the monasteries of Litlemore, Poghley, Cantwell, Daventry and Wallingford, the prebend of Wetwang, and the rectory of Rudby, 667*l.* 18*s.* 6¾*d.*

To the College at Windsor: Rectories, &c. lately belonging to the monasteries of Lessonnes, Tonbridge, Begham, Rumborough, Horkesley, Wykes, Sandwell, Tykforde, and Bradwell, the rectories of Mountnesing, Croxston, and Hormede, the tithes of Snape, Fryston, Tolshunt Darcy, Stanesgate, and Stepull, the offerings of the chapel of St. Mary, Ipswich, the rectory of Wyng, lands belonging to the monastery of Poghley, Canwall Manor, rents in Bodyngton, Oteham, Rokelond in Borham, Excett, Telton, Friston, Kychenham, Begham, and Leveshoth, the rectory of Shobyndon, and the prebend of Blewbury, 603*l.* 2*s.* 2¼*d.*

To the School at Ipswich: The manors of Felixstowe and Falkenham, lands belonging to St. Peter's, Ipswich, and the rectories of Blakamore, Gingemargaret, and Maryborn.

To Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, treasurer of the Household: Rents in Begham, Tonges, Leveshoth, and Cawsey, 68*l.* 1*s.* 9¼*d.*

To divers coparceners: Lands in Dodnash, Wormyngforde, Typtre, Horkesley, and Rumborow, and belonging to St. Peter's, Ipswich, 201*l.* 7*s.* 11¼*d.*

To Sir Ric. Page: The manor of Thobye, 53*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

To Sir Fras. Bryan: Lands belonging to the priory of Raunston, 88*l.* 5*s.* 4¼*d.*

To the earl of Worcester: The manor of Chesthunt, 30*l.*

To Sir Ant. Ughtred and Sir Edw. Saymour: The manors of Kexby, Lepington, and Barthorpe, 123*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*

To John Pen: The manor of Wyng, and lands of "Prato," 20*l.*

To the prior of Shene: Lands at Lessonnes, Tonbridge, Sandwell, and Holt *alias* Rowholt, 149*l.* 7*s.* 4¼*d.*

To the abbot of Waltham: Lands in Blakamore and Wormyngforde, 50*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*

To George Colt: Lands at Stanesgate, 38*l.*

To Christ's College, Cambridge: Lands at Bromehill, 46*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*

To Thos. Baret and Thos. Pemberton: Rents in Bodesham and Stokesby, 28*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

To the College of St. Lawrence Pountney: Rents in Brockley, 106*s.* 8*d.*

Total, 2,234*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.*

Remainder, 433*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*, over and above 104*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.* by which the assignments exceed the value of the land.

Not yet assigned: Lands of the monastery of Tykforde, and rents in Daventry, Wallingforde, Bradwell, Snape, and Canwall, 359*l.* 6*s.* 1*d.*

Otherwise assigned: Rents of the preceptory of Sandford, 63*l.* 17*s.* 5*d.* A rent of 10*l.* from the priory of Mountjoy, and the rent of the house in Chancery Lane belonging to the College at Oxford.

Lat., pp. 10. *Endd.:* Assignments to divers persons of the College lands,

14 July. **6517.** JOHN STOKESLEY.

P. S. Restitution of the temporalities of the bishopric of London, on the
Rym. XIV. 401. nomination by the Pope of John Stokysley, D.D., as bishop, *vice* Cuthbert translated to Durham. Hampton Court, 6 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 July.

Pat. 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 11.

14 July. **6518.** ST. BENET'S, HULME.

P. S. Writ to the escheator for the restitution of the temporalities of the monastery of St. Benet, Hulme, Norwich dioc., on the election, confirmed by

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St. Benet's Hulme—*cont.*

Richard bishop of Norwich, of William Reppes as abbot, whose fealty has been ordered to be taken by the prior of Christchurch, Norwich, and Thomas Godsalve. York Place, 9 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 July.
Pat. 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 11.

15 July. **6519.** George Duke of Saxony to Henry VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 247.

Has received by his ambassador his letter, written in June, from Hampton Court. Cannot express his satisfaction at Henry's good will towards himself, and the spirit in which he takes his friendly monition of the evil rumors in Germany. Rejoices all the more at the King's vindication, showing he was influenced, not by self-interest, but only by the fear of God. Is sure Henry would attempt nothing for which he could not give a satisfactory reason, but wishes he had never been led to this. Doubts not there are many good and learned men in England, who, to take away the King's scruples, can show that his marriage requires no further legalization. Has not spoken with the ambassador today, partly on account of the business of the diet, partly for want of an interpreter, as he cannot understand English, and should like to talk with him confidentially. Augsburg, 15 July 1530.
Signed and sealed.
Lat. Add.

18 July. **6520.** Mai to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 265. B. M.

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Your Majesty may well suppose that if the king of England knew that a General Council was to be held, he would wait a year or two without proceeding in the cause, in the hope that a constitution would be made in his favor, such as that which he demanded of the Pope a year ago, and they would not consent to any other conclusion. Thinks, nevertheless, it would be on the whole advantageous, if the cause cannot be gained by practices, to treat of a national council, and possibly the Germans would come to it more readily, especially those here. * * *
Rome, 18 July 1530.
Sp., pp. 23, *modern copy from Simancas.*

18 July. **6521.** Mai to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 279. B. M.

On receipt of the Emperor's commands touching the English divorce, communicated with the imperial lawyers and the cardinal of Osma, when it was agreed on all hands that it was best to prosecute such terms as they could (*seguir los terminos que podriamos*), that the king of England might not suppose the game would be given up; and, on the other hand, that they should tell the Pope they would do whatever he commanded. I accordingly communicated to him what your Majesty commanded to be written, that meanwhile they should not seek votes. The brief which his Holiness has since given will prevent the universities giving opinions *collegialmente.* It appeared to him that it was not well to prevent them and us seeking opinions individually. The King is meanwhile debarred from proceeding *de facto* by the same *litis pendentia,* and since by the brief; and it would be unadvisable to exhibit suspicion, especially as we are informed here that though the King did not wish to incur it, the fear of scandal would not deter him. This the Pope has confessed to us, and Gregory Casale also to me.

Meanwhile he ought to separate from that other woman, and live in matrimony with the Queen. He remains still, however, under the prohibition, and then we concede to him nothing but the holidays, which they would gain in any case. It is not thought expedient to urge him: but the Pope agrees,

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and the Cardinal approves, that he should admonish him to separate meanwhile from her on account of the scandal of this intercourse, especially as he professes such anxiety to pacify his conscience, which people will believe more readily if he so abstain.

As I wrote to your Majesty, the Pope is sending thither as nuncio the baron del Bario (Burjo), who served your Majesty in Sicily at the time of the revolt. Thinks, since the Pope agrees to it, he will do good service in the matter of England, and he goes with no other wish than to shake the King in his purpose; with which view he carries thither instructions entirely persuasive to this effect. He has told me he is very glad of this opportunity of serving your Majesty, and clearing himself of suspicion. I gave him occasion to exculpate himself, which he was very glad to do. Has no doubt of his sincerity.

I have procured that he take with him the dispensation obtained by the king of England to marry his present Queen, notwithstanding that she was his brother's wife. He says, if nothing else will avail, he can use this as a last resource.

As we are now entering the holidays, I have besought the Pope to give me a commission to proceed in the matter, notwithstanding them; which he has refused. I am told by the bishop of Castellomar that there were in the *signatura* some votes for proceeding further; and they desired that in a case so important they should not proceed *por contradictas*, as they say here, or, as they say in Castile, *por contumacia de la parte*. You may be assured they leave nothing undone to attempt it.

Some further account of what he has done about the terms which the auditor revoked, and which the English ambassadors endeavored to get him to renounce. * * *

The bishop of London has been at Venice, Padua and Vicenza, and is now returning to Bologna. The Pope has learned on good authority from this Bishop that the King wishes to dissuade this judgment if he could; and if he cannot, he will not fail to appear and defend the cause, otherwise he is sure to lose it. Rome, 15 July 1530.

The nuncio in France has written that the French king has told him that the king of England complained of the Pope; and that if they pressed him too hard, he would marry, and his kingdom renounce obedience to the Apostolic See, and that in a few days the whole kingdom of England would write to the Pope about it. The nuncio made a good reply. This, however, will profit little, because the brief has already been drawn up more than a month ago, and the Pope keeps it in his purse, and I cannot succeed in getting it out of him.

Some days ago I wrote that another brief had been issued, that no one give an opinion on this cause except according to truth and conscience. Discussion about it with the Cardinal St. Quatuor. Has letters from Rodrigo Niño, dated the 11th July, stating that the bishop of London has been traversing those lands, and finally in Padua he gained 11 votes from as many friars, for 10 ducats. Most of them are quite illiterate, and men of bad lives.

Baron de Burjo left yesterday. Rome, 18 July 1530.

Sp., pp. 11, *modern copy from Simancas.*

19 July. R. O. **6522.** The Earl of Wiltshire to Henry VIII.

Alexander, the bearer, coming from the French court, overtook me here as I was bound homewards; from whom I received a letter about my return. I shall hasten my repair to your Highness. I think the bishop of Bayonne will be with your Grace shortly, according to his master's promise. Ortomay, 19 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

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20 July. **6523.** W. CAPON to WOLSEY.

R. O. Since my last letters by Dr. Marchall's servant, after long suit made to my lord of Norfolk, we learned from him on the 19th that the King is resolved that our college shall be dissolved, and left to his use, against Michaelmas next. The lands have been seized to the King's use, and books of offices prepared. What the King will do with the college I cannot tell. Dr. Stephens has spoken in its behalf, but the King will not hear him. The commissioners have taken an inventory of the books, ornaments, &c.; so that I dare not send your Grace the chapel books. The King will dispose of the children of the chapel at his pleasure. This day I repaired to Hampshire, to commune with Dr. Incent of the benefice he gave me near Hampton (Southampton). I shall then return to Ipswich, and remain there until I am discharged. Dr. Fox is come home. London, 20 July. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.*

6524. WOLSEY to CRUMWELL.

Cott. App. XLVIII. 25. B. M. St. P. I. 362. "Mr. Croumwell," the bearer is going by post, on account of the death of Mr. Larcke. Is much indisposed, and put from his sleep and meat, in consequence of the news of the dissolution of his colleges, and the small hope he has of being relieved by the King. Cannot write for weeping and sorrow. Thanks him for all the pains he has taken, and will requite him when he can. Recommends his estate and his colleges to his help. Asks him to consider whether he deserves that they should be turned to other profane uses. Looks for redress to the Prince's most merciful [consideration]. "Thus, with wepyng terys, I byd [you] . . . . . [Sou]thwell, with [the trembling hand of] . . . . . ."

Hol., mutilated, p. 1.

6525. SIR JOHN HUSSEY.

R. O. Indenture between Sir John Husey and his son and heir William, for marriage settlement of the latter. Dated 22 July 21 Hen. VIII.

Draft, pp. 4.

23 July. **6526.** SIR FRANCIS BRYAN to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 248. *Since the departure of Alexander the courier, has heard that the French king has sent to the Emperor to ratify new articles, saying the former were too hard to be kept. It is expected this will occasion a breach; but M. La Geshe told me today, in great confidence, that he was commissioned to go to the Emperor. Here is still great hatred between the Great Master and the Admiral. The French ladies mock the Spanish, and the Spanish ladies spy well. It is feared the Queen will not long agree with the French king's mother. Many favor the former out of spite to the latter. The Florentines seek aid for their town, but it is thought Francis will not meddle. Has just heard Robert d'Angy goes instead of La Geshe.* Has received, for the discharge of the flower de luce, the obligation of Henry VII. to redeliver it to Maximilian, which De Pratt and Gylam de la Barrys have endorsed with the date of its receipt. The viscount Tyrrayne and the bishop of Bayonne are sworn of the King's council. Angoulême, 23 July. *Signed.*

Part cipher. Add. Endd. by Wyat.

23 July. **6527.** JOHN WELLYSBURN to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 250. The French king, the Queen, my Lady, the Dauphin and the duke of Orleans, came yesterday to Angoulême. The King did not come with

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the Queen; my Lady rode with her in the litter; the King's children before. The Queen was well received for such a town. The King intends to go to Paris by Cognac. He will probably arrive about Michaelmas, and the greatest triumph will probably be made in honor of the Queen and of the children. Must have money to buy apparel if he remains. The abbot of Farfa is gone over to cardinal Colonna, and married his niece. Thus the houses of Colonna and Ursine are united, and make skirmishes daily against the Pope, who has withdrawn into Castle Angelo and is sick, or pretends to be. The marquis of Guaste has abandoned the siege of Florence, and it is said he will be the Emperor's chief captain against the Turk. 200 or 300 men die daily in the camp. The Pope's army has gone from Voltier to the siege of Florence, to supply the place of those dead of the plague, so that the city is likely to be better victualled. An ambassador is come from Hungary. Angoulême, 23 July. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

6528. Rodrigo Niño to Charles V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 290. B. M.

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Reports a conversation he had with the English ambassador on the 14th, about the divorce. The ambassador told him that they had mentioned to the bishop of London that Niño had gone to Padua to get the determination of the eleven Friars revoked, and that he had gone to my lodging to ascertain if I were there. I replied that, considering what sort of persons they were, I should certainly not go to Padua, nor should I take any trouble in such a case, unless I knew that their authority was sufficient to weigh against others, as they had been influenced by the promises of the Bishop and Ricaldo (Croke). He said, moreover, they had told the Bishop that I had been counterworking them in this, not only with the doctors and friars, but with the Signory, without any commission from the Emperor. This I said was quite true, because it was not for your Majesty to treat of this matter with Jews and foolish friars; but if they would negociate in a manner worthy of the king of England, your Majesty would doubtless command your ambassadors to treat in your name. He said the Bishop had informed the King of my conduct; and I replied, he could not have done me a greater kindness than to place me in a position in which I could do service to a daughter of queen Isabella; for I believed not only the men, but the very stones of all Castile, would rise to resent the injury they meant to do this Queen, and that I trusted the King himself would punish them for the unworthy service they did him, in seeking the opinions of friars who could not read, and not sending those of the many learned men who had given a contrary opinion. He said I was right; but begged me, for the love of God, to keep it secret, or the King would put him and his brother to death, both for this and what passed between us on Ascension Day. Moreover, he told me they had word from Rome that certain acts had been done in the Rota on behalf of the Queen, and that the bishop of London had a suspicion that I had a power from the Queen to do other acts with the Signory. I told him I did not know about those at Rome, and that there was no act to be done on the Queen's behalf here, as it did not lie with the Signory to judge the cause. With this we came to the condition with which the friars had qualified their opinion, viz., that the Pope had no power to dispense, if the marriage with the King's brother had been consummated. And since the Queen had declared to Campeggio, in the sacrament of confession, that this was not the case, the King knew better than anybody "que que mas andavan a buscar." The English ambassador said this was true, but the King intended to prove that it must be otherwise, because they had several times been in the same bed. Disputed this inference.

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RODRIGO NIÑO to CHARLES V.—*cont.*

On the 18th, the bishop of London, and the English ambassador here resident, and Ricaldo, were with the college; and Niño, who was present at their arrival, gave them an account beforehand of his communication with the English ambassador. They waited some time for his departure, and on entering gave the Signory a letter of credence for all three from the king of England. The Bishop made a great oration, declaring how the King solicited the opinion of the university of Padua from his esteemed friends and confederates. The Signory replied that the same request had been made to them eight times by the present ambassador, and that they had answered that it was a matter with which the Signory did not wish to meddle, as it concerned the authority of the Church, and persons nearly related to the Emperor, but if their doctors wished to study the matter they might take their opinion. The Bishop said they had already applied to the doctors, but found they had been prohibited by the Signory from complying with the king of England's wish. This led to some discussion, in which the English used threatening language, and reproached them with allowing the Emperor's ambassador to do, without a commission, that which they forbad the English to do, though fully authorised to ask it. The above information was communicated to me the other day by the college, when I gave them thanks on behalf of your Majesty for their firmness in not commanding their doctors to make a determination. I told him I believed the king of England wished to know the truth, because nothing else could be supposed of such a Prince, but the method taken by his agents was only to know the contrary. Added many other arguments. The Signory promised to remain firm, and to take measures accordingly at Padua. To confirm them in this, I said I would give them two cases of marriage here at Venice,—the one like that of the king of England, the other like that of the king of Portugal. I told them the names, and they said I was right. The man who married two sisters is alive, and has sons by both; and the man who married with the wife of his brother died at the siege of Naples with Lautrec. * * *
Venice, 23 July 1530.

Sp., pp. 20, *modern copy from Simancas.*

23 July. **6529.** WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Strype's Mem. I. App. No. 33.

Thanks him for his reception of the provost of Beverley (Winter), and that the King, at his intercession, has accepted him for his scholar. Begs the continuance of his favor, and that his poor estate may be remembered. Specially entreats him in behalf of the college of Oxford, that it may not be dissolved or dismembered. He knows the whole history of their foundation, and to destroy them entirely would be great pity. The bearer will explain more. Southwell, 23 July.

24 July. **6530.** THOMAS CROMWELL to WOLSEY.

R. O.

Reminds him that when they were together in the gallery at the Charterhouse at Shene he promised to take Cromwell's kinsman, Dr. Carbot, into his service. He has therefore stayed here, hoping that Cromwell would go with him to Wolsey, but, not being able to do so, sends him instead with this letter of recommendation. Londe, 24 July. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord's Grace.

28 July. **6531.** [CROKE] to HENRY VIII.

Vit. B. XIII. 95. B. M.

There was never break in word or countenance b[etween] Croke and any of the King's ambassadors here; and he never took displeasure at anything done by them, unless it were prejudicial to the King with manifest proof of

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perfidy, as the King must know by letters in the trespasser's own hand, and others sent to him by Croke. Never signified to the tres[passer] that he had any knowledge thereof, but secretly informed the King, hoping to have a remedy from him. As the King, notwithstanding Croke's manifest proofs, imputes the information he sends to his forward manners and envy, and considers that he has done much to hinder his cause, "therefore commandeth me, by your said letters, to impute t . . . . . the lets and impediments of your said causes, nor yet wo . . . . . I should ascertain your Highness, by whose diligence, labor, a[nd] travail your said causes be here preferred, I wot not h[ow] to remedy such mischiefs as daily increaseth here a[mong] your Highness's favorers, nor to avoid such impediments [as] by craft are imagined, to the hindrance of your mo[st] honorable cause, by them whose affectionate report unt[o] . . . . . avoucheth to be unto your Highness singular faithful . . . . . profitable. Nor yet how to comfort them the which for" * * * And, further, they refuse to inform secretly those whom they have openly "dishorted" and put in fear that they will be indifferent. The Senate would not give secretly *fides publica* to the ambassadors that they would not injure those who had written or should write in the King's favor, though the bishop of London offered to promise that it should not be disclosed, nor could he induce them to grant the request by letters to the King. There is, therefore, no hope of further preferment of the King's cause. As to Sir Gregory's good hope of the brief, the bishop of Worcester despairs of it. Mr. Cranmer writes from Rome, on 12 July, that their success is but small; that they dare not try to find out any man's mind, because of the Pope, who is not content with what Croke has already done, for he says no friars shall discuss his power. He looks for no favor in the Court, but for opposition from the Pope and all his cardinals.

On the same day Mr. Gregory's letter to his brother was written; and if the brief is obtained, of which he pretends to have sure hope, doubts not that the King now has it, though it would have been much better to have sent it hither. Hopes that this interchangeable sending of each other's letters to the King is not only to preoccupy his favor, without any preferment to his cause. Beseeches him to help his endeavors, as he prosecutes his cause with all faith and diligence and no little danger, as the ambassador is informed of what he writes to the King, "as appeareth [by cert]ayne expostulations with me for every one of the said things." * * * Although the King acknowledges the receipt of the letter, Tuke denies the receipt of the account, and pretends that what Croke has spent remains in his hand, and that he is therefore provisioned for four months beforehand. Has not truly provision for one day. On 13 July, Tuke sent him a bill of exchange for 200 ducats *de largo.* The imperial ambassador is making great efforts against the King. There is so much fear of the Pope and the Emperor, that the King's cause never wanted so much money. Venice, 28 July.

Hol., draft, pp. 3, *mutilated.*

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6532. [CROKE] to TUKE.

The King's causes never needed so much money as now. Has sent his reckoning so often that he doubts not it has come to his hands. If it is intercepted, the King had better have lost 1,000*l.*

Dares not send any more declarations of parcels, but he assures Tuke that he has laid out for the King above 500 cr. Has neither diets nor money to help himself, by Tuke's provision. But for the bishop of London, would have been forced to take his journey homeward directly he received Tuke's letters. Tuke will see by the enclosed copy of a letter what hope there is from the bishop of Worcester.

Is sorry that Tuke is causelessly displeased with him. Venice, 28 July.

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28 July. **6533.** NIÑO to CHARLES V.

Add. MSS. 28,580, f. 308. B. M.

Last Sunday the bishop of London, with the resident English ambassador and Richard, were with the College to demand an answer to the king of England's letter. The Signory replied that they had conferred with their Council of Ten and with the Pregadi as usual, and that there was no one but desired to gratify the king of England; but they all thought, as it was a matter very scandalous and against the authority of the Holy See, and injurious to the Emperor, who was so nearly allied to the queen of England, and affected also the king of Portugal and the Empress, that they ought not to meddle with it, or give any order to their doctors at Padua. With this reply the Bishop and his colleagues expressed so much dissatisfaction that a long discussion arose, which would have lasted the whole day but that the Signory determined to rise; and words of menace were not wanting on the part of the English, nor good men on the part of the College, to give them an answer which they did not wish to hear. At last the Bishop declared he would not take this as their final reply, but begged them to think well over the matter, and consider that they had no right to be offended when the King only wished to know the truth. Yesterday the Bishop and his fellows returned to the College, where substantially the same thing was repeated, as I was informed by the Signory today, when I visited the College myself for other matters. Nor would the Bishop leave them without a further request that they would consider the cause, declaring that he would return another time. They have all promised me, however, that they will stand firm, even if the King of England should come himself to ask them. Your Majesty is aware that the English are much ashamed of the opinions they got at Padua from these friars. * * * Venice, 28 July 1530.

Sp., pp. 6, *modern copy from Simancas.*

28 July. **6534.** NIÑO to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 311. B. M.

Has had some confidential conferences with the general of the Augustines, a learned man and a Venetian born, about the matters of England, and other affairs of the Emperor. He says he knows by conversation that the greater part of the Venetians are devoted to the Emperor. * * * Venice, 28 July 1530.

Sp., pp. 6, *modern copy from Simancas.*

29 July. **6535.** CHARLES V. to the SIEUR DE NOIRCARMES.

Granvelle, p. 479.

* * * You must find an opportunity of speaking to the French king of the intended divorce of the queen of England, and beg him to dissuade the King, as it is evidently to the detriment of his conscience. You must ask him also to prevent the university of Paris and the rest of his subjects favoring the King unduly; and to have regard to the Queen's rights, which will be meritorious towards God, and pleasing to us. Desire our sister (Eleanor) to assist in this matter, and speak of it to the King. * * * Augsburg, 29 July 1530.

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29 July. **6536.** NIÑO to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 314. B. M.

Has done what he could to ascertain by what way the English agents sent their letters, that he might intercept some, and learn what they are doing. Has obtained possession of some, which he encloses to the Emperor, not being able to trust any person here who can read English. Venice, 29 July 1530.

Sp., pp. 2, *modern copy from Simancas.*

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30 July. **6537.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 319. B. M.

The bishop of London has got eleven friars at Padua, not very well qualified either by learning or religion, to give an opinion, in the name of the university, that the Pope could not dispense in the matter of the king of England. This may have some effect upon the ill-disposed.† Alberto de Carpi and the Nuncio write from Paris to the Pope and me, that Garay, although he beseeches the Pope to send thither a commissary to punish them, has no remedy, and that the Pope has kept in his purse for two months the brief he promised to issue that the universities should give no opinion as such. ("Esto mesmo he visto que se ha hecho en Paris segund escriven Alberto de Carpi y su nuncio al Papa y a mi, Garay, ahunque pide que el Papa ymbie alla algun commissario para castigarles, y que conozca de aquellas diferentias, porque escriben todos que los mas qualificados votaron por nuestra parte pero no ay remedio quel breve que mi tenia prometido y minutado, y que dos meses ha le ha traydo el Papa en sa bolsa, para que las Universidades no aconsejasen en nombre de Universidades nunca se acabo; aunque cada dia los solicitase que sin dubda ninguna estos voctos no se dieran en Paris ni en Padua, agora ando todavia solicitandolo, no se si le podre obtener. Agora andan por revocar un breve que me imbiaron a pedir de Anglaterra luego que aqui vine, o a lo menos por declararlo, y porque la declaration no mesta bien ha mas de x. dias que lo andamos porfiando su Santidad y Santi Quatro y io. Ahunque a la verdad Santiquatro se muestra muy servidor de v. Mag., y io espero que en el juzgar todos estos Señores haran bondad ansi por ser la justicia nuestra como por tractarse de su auctoridad. Entretanto es menester proveer en España y Anglaterra que se me imbien los actos necessarios porque passadas las vacaciones me hallaria muy corrido sin ellos, y a en Napoles tienen las dubdas.") Rome, 30 July 1530.

Sp., pp. 3, *modern copy from Simancas.*

31 July. **6538.** CHARLES V. to the EMPRESS.

Add. MS. 28,580, f. 355. B. M.

* * * In the proceedings in the case of the queen of England, it will be necessary to examine the treaties made about her marriage, first with prince Arthur, and afterwards with king Henry. Requests that search be made for them, and authentic copies sent with all diligence to Mai at Rome. Augsburg, 31 July 1530.

Sp., pp. 6, *modern copy from Simancas.*

6539. [GEORGE BOLEYN to BENET.]

R. O.

"Mr. Doctor, with my most hearty commendations, according to my letter sent unto you by Alysandre [*eleven and a half lines of an unknown cipher follow*]. And, besides all this, remember what I write unto you in the latter end of my letter sent by Alisander, and so certify ‡ and Ť shall [*eight lines of cipher*].

"And so, I pray you, send me word of all the rest of the matter, and I will thank you for by the next that shall come, whether it be from hence or out of England, but I would hear the truth of everything as it is, without any manner covering. I do not direct my other letters to the [bishop] of Worcester nor Sir Gregory, because I can nother write Latin nor Italian well."

(*Three lines of cipher.*)

"I would I could send you some news from hence that should do you

† In the margin of an official extract from this letter there is the following note opposite the above passage: "que alla es ydo el criado de la Reina por do entendera lo que pasa, conforme a aquello, entienda en lo que fuere menester." (f. 342 b.)

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[George Boleyn to Benet]—*cont.*

pleasure. I can know none any way that I can work. They of this country say nothing; whether it be because they cannot, or else they woll not, I cannot tell. I can send you none from home; there is no good fellow will take the pain to write, they be so merry. As a good fellow said to me the other day, our country folks have so many pastimes they have no leisure to write. I trust in short space to be at home to pass time as others of my friends doth; whether I shall forget to write or no, I cannot tell. I pray you, commend [me] to all folks there, to my Lord elect*, specially to the bishop of Worcester (I was his guide from Notley to Oxford); to all other as you woll and think best. And so fare well . . . . . where my first letter . . . . . and the same day b[ein]g . . . . . wrote the thother (*sic*) your friend."

Hol., pp. 3.

6540. Croke's Letters.

R. O. "These be the lettres delyvered to Edmond Harwell, to be delyvered to Mr. Tuke.

"Quattuor ex quo in Italiam veni, etc. Datæ xi. Martii, datæ ad Tuitun, per Belgeros.

"In mooste humble and lowly wyse, etc. Aprilis xiij. per Harwel, Hieronimo Molins.

"Mitto ad celsitudinem tuam, etc. Datæ 23 Aprilis, Hieronimo Molyns, per Harwellum.

"Invictissime et potentissime princeps. Datæ Maii xv., authore Herwello, Ludovico cursori, inscriptæ Ad Majestatem tuam.

"Please yt your Highness to be advertysed that in my presence, etc. Datæ Bononiæ, 26 Maii, Domino Londoniensi electo.

"Please yt your Highness to be advertysed that above the nombre. Datæ Patavii, xxx. Maii, magistro postarum Venetarum cum pecunia pro certitudine perferendi.

"Please yt your Highness to be advertysed that I have sent unto the same sondry lettres. Datæ Veneciis, 22 Junii, Mapheo Bernardo Veneto qui eas misit ad Hieronymum Molyns.

† "Please yt your, etc., that as this day I obteynyd the common seal of the university of Padua. Venetiis prima Junii (July).

† "Please yt your Highness, etc., that this present mornyng came to prior Thomas, etc., the Emperor's ambassador. Datæ in cymba a Padua, 4 Julii."

Endd.: "The copy of all letters that I have sent unto the King's highness since the iiij. day of April, with the beginnings and dates of every one of them."

6541. Payments.

July.

R. O. Court, 16th. Paid to lady Jane Guldeford, widow, in full payment of 100 marks granted her by the King, 46*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

London, 16th. To John Portynary, for conveyance of the money stolen from Mr. Norreys, 11*s.* 8*d.*

Calais, 17th. To John Bartelott, for taking certain pirates, 20*l.*

London, 17th. The King's reward to Mark Raphaell, 40*l.*

* Stokesley bishop elect of London.

† These two are bracketed and apostyled: "By Smithe, Mr. Baleys, th'aldremans servant."

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Ireland, 19th. To Sir William Skeffington, the King's deputy, for wages of 150 men, at 9*d.* and 6*d.* a day, 280*l.*

London, 20th. Received from William Brabason and John Aprice, 2,532*l.* 17*s.*, which was lord Dacre's and Sir Christopher Dacre's.

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6542. Grants in July 1530.

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Grants.

1. Gryffyth Reede. To have the fee of the Crown of 6*d.* a day, *vice* Thomas Mone. Hampton Court, 25 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 July.—P.S. *Pat.* 21 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 27.

1. Ric. Hampton of Norwode, Midd., husbandman. Pardon for the murder of Thos. Quicksilver *alias* Silverton, of Norwod *alias* of Heyes, Midd. Windsor Castle, 12 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 July. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 19.

1. Inspeximus and exemplification, at the request of Wm. Aisheton, of the following documents; viz.,—

i. A writ to the escheator of Surrey, dated 1 April 21 Hen. VIII., commanding him to make inquisition concerning the state of mind of the said Wm. Aysheton, s. and h. of Nic. Aisheton, supposed to be a natural idiot.

ii. An inquisition, taken at Rigate, Surrey, on Tuesday after the feast of the Holy Trinity, by oaths of gentlemen, who say that the said William is not a natural idiot, as is supposed in the writ. Westm., 1 July.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 27*d.*

3. Thos. Neuton of Roiston, draper. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Rob. Wingfield, deputy general of Calais. Hampton Court, 2 July 22 Hen. VIII.—*P.S. writ, signed by Wingfield.*

3. *Notts:* Sir Hen. Sacheverell, Sir John Markam, John Abbot of Dale, and Nic. Styrley. Commission to make inquisition on the lands and heir of Joan late wife of Geo. Barlowe, and Anne wife of John Eton, s. and h. of Ric. Illyngthorp. Westm., 3 July.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 26*d.*

4. Ralph Astley. Lease of the manor of Asshechurche, Glouc., with reservations, for 21 years from 1538, on the expiration of a lease held by Hen. Abbot of Tewkesbury from Sir Edw. Belknapp; at the annual rent of 8*l.* 10*s.*, and 10*s.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 4 July 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

4. Ric. Symonds, jun., yeoman, of Malfeld, Heref. Pardon for having broken into the house of Meredith ap Griffith at Grafton, Heref., and taken away 3 pigs. 4 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Delivered at Westminster the same day.*—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

4. Thos. Grene of Stanfford Rithers, Essex, *alias* of Codred, Herts, yeoman. Exemption from serving on juries, &c. Windsor, 9 March 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 July 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 31.

4. Elizabeth Fyssher, widow of Ric. Fyssher, yeoman of the Crown, deceased. Annuity of 10 marks out of the issues of the manor of Wexcombe, Wilts, in the King's hands by the minority of Edw. Darell, kinsman and heir of Sir Edw. Darell, to hold during the said minority. Westm., 4 July. —*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 27.

4. The burgesses of Malmesbury. Inspeximus and confirmation of pat. 4 Feb. 2 Hen. VIII., inspecting and confirming pat. 1 March 1 Edw. IV., inspecting and confirming pat. 28 Nov. 5 Ric. II., inspecting and confirming a charter of King Athelstan, being a grant of liberties to the said burgesses "Medulfuenses." Westm., 4 July.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

5. Thos. Kendall, bachelor of sacred theology. Presentation to the perpetual chantry within the church of All Hallows, Barking, near the Tower of London, in the King's gift by reason of the vacancy of the see of London; *vice* John Broke, deceased. Hampton Court, 2 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 July.—P.S.

7. John Gillam of Rugewick, Sussex, husbandman. ardon. Hampton Court, 1 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 7 July. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 17.

ii. Duplicate of the above. Hampton Court, 2 July.—P.S.

7. Sir Thos. Seymer, alderman of London. Assent to his election as mayor, and of Wm. Botry and Geo. Medley, merchants of the same city, as constables of the staple of wools, hides, fleeces, and lead at Westminster. Westm., 7 July.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 7.

8. *Somerset:* Nic. Willoughby, Jas. Hadley, Giles Penny and Thos. Hymerford. Commission to make inquisition on the lands and heir of Simon Brett. Westm., 8 July.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2. *m.* 26*d.*

8. Geo. Brooke lord Cobham, s. and h. of Sir Thos. Brooke, deceased, *alias* Sir Geo. Cobham, of Cowlyng, Kent, s. and h. of Sir Thos. Brooke lord Cobham. Licence of entry, without proof of age, on all the possessions of the said Thos. in England, Wales, Calais, and the marches thereof. Hampton Court, 30 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., [8] July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 7.

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July.

GRANTS.

11. John Vaugham, yeoman of the Crown. Lease of the manor called Beaumonds, Herts; in the King's hands as an escheat by reason of the dissolution of the monastery of St. Mary de Praye *alias* Pratis, for the term of 30 years, at the annual rent of 4 marks. York Place, 5 July 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 11 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 26.

11. Wm. Leche of Norwich, yeoman. Pardon for having killed, in self-defence, Tho. Rowhede, who pursued him to "le Blakfryers Walle," Norwich, so that he could not escape. Westm., 11 July.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

12. Sir Anthony Fitzherbert and Thos. Englefeld. Writ of error touching a judgment given in a suit before the mayor and aldermen of London in the Guildhall, without the King's writ, between John Bulkeley, goldsmith, of London, and John Gylson, in a case of 2½ lasts of herrings valued at 12*l.*, the property of Wm. Crathorne, mercer, being in the custody of Gylson as security for 10*l.* to be paid to Bulkeley by Crathorne, having been stolen, whereby the said Bulkeley lost both his pledge and 10*l.* Westm., 12 July. —*Pat.* 22 *Hen.VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 4*d.*

14. *Cheshire*: Ralph Brereton of Chester, Ric. Leftwyche, Geo. Ravescroft and Thos. Assheton. Commission to make inquisition on the idiotcy of James Borowes. Westm., 14 July.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 26*d.*

15. Arnold Lobery *alias* Fesaunt, of Cleve, in Germany, shoemaker. Licence to keep in his service two journeymen or covenant-servants, natives of foreign parts, above the number of alien servants allowed by the statute 14 & 15 Hen.VIII. [c. ii.] Hampton Court, 24 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 15 July.—*Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 17.

16. Wm. Newdegate. To be keeper of the castle and park of Maxstok, Warw., and constable and doorward of the said castle, in the King's hands by the minority of Peter, s. and h. of Sir Wm. Compton, deceased; to hold during the minority of the said Peter, at certain daily and yearly rents for each of the said offices. Oking, 14 July 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 July.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 29.

16. Sir Anthony Poyntz. Lease of the lordships of Sodbury with the borough of Sodbury and Barton Regis, near Bristol, and the hundred of Barton, parcel of the possessions of the late earl of Warwick, Glouc., with reservations; for 21 years, at the annual rent of 47*l.* 12*d.* for the said lordship, manor, and borough of Sodbury; 56*l.* 13*s.* 6½*d.* for the lordship or manor of Barton Regis; 12*l.* 7*s.* 5*d.* for the hundred; and 10*s.* of increase. *Del.* Westm., 16 July 22 Hen.VIII. —S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 6.

16. John Crudde, page of the Chamber, his heirs and assigns. Grant of a messuage and a garden adjoining in the parish of St. Mary the Virgin, Sandwich, Kent, of the annual value of 8*s.* 4*d.*, lately belonging to Wm. Clerk, deceased, collector of customs in the port of Sandwich, and in the King's hands by the death of the said William by virtue of a writ of *diem clausit extremum* directed to the constable of Dover and warden of the Cinque Ports; to hold as long as the premises remain in the King's hands. Windsor, 5 March 21 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 July 22 Hen.VIII.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 17.

16. Wm. Norres, mercer, of Oxon. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Rob. Wingfield, deputy of Calais. Oking, 11 July 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 July.—P.S.

23. The prior and convent of St. Bartholomew's, Westsmythfeld. Mortmain licence to prior William to acquire 4 acres of land in the parish of St. Pancras, Midd., commonly called les Pytts; and an annual rent of 10*s.* issuing from a tenement of John, the prior, and the convent of the Carthusian House of the Salutation of the Mother of God, near London, in St. John's Street, without the bars of St. Sepulchre, called "le Elmes;" and an annual rent of 5*s.* issuing from a tenement of the prior of the said Carthusian House, called "le Holy Waterstyk," in the parish of St. Nicholas, in the street called "le Fleshambles" (the Shambles), in the city of London; also an annual rent of 6*s.* issuing from divers tenements of the same prior in the parish of St. Margaret in Lothbury in the said city. Also licence to the said prior and convent of St. Bartholomew's, to alienate one messuage, 8 cottages thereto adjoining, 1 pond, 4 gardens, in the parish of St. Sepulchre without the bars of Westsmythfeld, London, called "Fogwell Houses," "Fogwell Pound," and "Fogwell Gardins;" 8 cottages and 3 gardens in the suburbs of London near Long Lane, to the prior and convent of the said Carthusian House, and their successors, in fee farm, at the annual rent of 10*l.*, with a clause of distraint on 200 acres of meadow of the said Carthusian priory, commonly called Blomesbury, now in the tenure of John Hyde and John Butler, and on all other lands and tenements of the said Carthusian priory in the parishes of St. Giles-in-the-Fields and St. Pancras, Midd. Also licence to the prior and convent of the said Carthusian House to alienate 7 acres of land in a field called Leuisdoun, in the parish of St. Pancras, Midd., to the said prior and convent of St. Bartholomew. Westm., 23 July.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen.VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 15.

23. Stephen Gardiner, LL.D., the King's councillor and secretary. Grant of the rever-

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sion of the arable lands, rents, &c. belonging to the manor of Hanworth, which were leased for 21 years by patent 30 Jan. 12 Hen. VIII. to Sir Ric. Weston, at the annual rent of 6*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.*, and 12*d.* of increase. Also grant to the said Stephen of the said rent during the running of the lease; and all woods, underwoods, wards, marriages, natives and villains, &c., belonging to the said manor. Oking, 12 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 July.—P.S.——*Vacated on surrender, 13 June 24 Hen. VIII., by the said Stephen, then bishop of Winchester. — Pat. 22 Hen. VIII. p. 2, m. 17.*

6543. CRANMER to CROKE.

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Records of the Reformation, i. 409.

The Pope has granted them no brief after their device, whatever Mr. Gregory has written; but he asked them to devise a brief, which he would sign, if he liked it. But when it was devised, faults were found in it, and it was given to card. St. Quatuor to amend, who "clean marred it." Since then have had many new devised and changed; but whenever the Pope has granted anything, the Imperial ambassador has made such exclamations that all was changed. Never knew such inconstancy. Supposes they will obtain nothing while the Cardinal, who is their utter adversary, bears authority. However, the Pope is contented, and Cranmer supposes they will have one tolerably good brief, but not as they would wish.

Supposes father Francis will be faithful; but, according to Croke's advice, will get as much from him, and tell him as little as possible, until he sees that he will stiffly defend their cause with the Pope. Hitherto he has kept himself indifferent, and, when talking with the Pope, has made reasons for both parties, but affirmed neither, that the Pope might not suspect him of favoring the King. He says that if he acted otherwise the Pope would tell him nothing, and give him no credence, and he may thus discover the mind both of the Pope and the adversaries. Approves of this course. Doubts not he will do whatever the bishop of London thinks best. He has been ill for a fortnight, but is now recovered.

P. 1. *In Croke's hand. Endd.:* The copy of Mr. Cranmer's letter to me, Richard Croke.

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6544. WILL. POULET to WOLSEY.

I am glad you are pleased with the demeanor of the prior and convent of your cathedral of St. Swithin's, and that you so much desire to visit them, if it might stand with the King's pleasure. They have had much trouble about these patents, though there is no help when they have passed your seal. This you will see yourself, "for you can have no rest till you have performed like suits." Could not inform Wolsey of the two new clauses in my lord of Norfolk's patent, as neither that nor any other patent came to his hands. The mastership of your game was given by my late lord of Winchester to my Lord Chamberlain. Thinks Wolsey is not entitled to grant the manrede of his tenants, and the leading of them in musters, which belongs to the King alone. States reasons. Will be glad to lend Wolsey 100*l.*, as he promised him at the Charterhouse beside Richmond, but cannot do it at one time. Sends 40*l.* by the bearer, John Flemmyng, and will make what speed he can with the rest, considering Wolsey's necessities. Would have done more, but could not have it even on pledge, people here are so scant of money. London, St. Peter's Day.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add. Endd.*

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6545. THOMAS RUNCORN, Priest, to WOLSEY.

I have spoken to Master Secretary (Gardiner), and given him thanks for his faithful love to you, shown by the humanity he displayed to my master, and also by that the King did so graciously receive him, and wrote in

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his favor to you, beseeching him to persevere in his goodness to you both, and declaring that, whatsoever was thought or spoken by other men, your Grace specially trusted in him above all men. I told him the great necessity your Grace was in, and begged him to solicit the King, out of respect to the service your Grace had done him, that he would, out of consideration for your former and present estate, look upon you with charity, and relieve you from this miserable poverty. I showed him that the 1,000 marks, had for your journey to the North, were spent in paying your debts previous to leaving London, and you had not more than 100*l.*, so that you have been obliged to borrow for the support of yourself and your household; that as for the magnificent buildings you were accused of making, they are nothing but the stopping of holes where it rained in from the windows, doors, &c., and had been paid by your receiver at Southwell out of his own money. "Nor I forgat not to remember how that he, and only he, was privy how, and with what hope and trust," you committed yourself and all you had to the King. I moved him touching your colleges, showing how much they stuck in your thoughts, prosecuting the effect of your letters written to him therein. He answered that he was perfectly willing to accomplish whatever should be most to your interest and pleasure; that though he had such favor with the King that he might come to his speech at all times, yet he had not such a trade, "such was his English, that he might in all causes deduce his Grace to his purpose." Secondly, he said that if you had not sufficient to live withal, it was your own fault, for you might have taken sufficient, but you would not do so, "so that the show might be the greater when it should be presented to the King's sight; nor did ye not confess all your debts, but concealed very much, so that the King hath paid four times double more than was thought he should." If he were to move the King, he thinks he would give offence. The King, he says, is minded to erect in Oxford a college as honorable as any there, but the foundation shall be changed; so you will perceive that his mind is bent on the increase of virtue and learning. I shall repair to you at Michaelmas. London, 1 Aug.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* To the most reverend father in God, my lord Cardinal's grace.

2 Aug. **6546.** UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD.

Lansd. MS. 446, f. 61. B. M.

Account of a meeting of convocation of the university of Oxford on 2 Aug., when Edw. Leighton presented letters from the King, requesting them to send him, by Leighton, the articles for which Wyclef was condemned by the university, and the confirmation by the Council of Constance, dated Windsor, 31 July, with their reply.

Lat., modern copy, pp. 16. *Headed:* "Ex quodam registro Academiæ Oxon. Archi. Bodl. A.n. 166, f. 108b."

3 Aug. **6547.** WOLSEY'S COLLEGES.

Howard's Let. p. 157.

Commission to Sir John Bolleyn, kt., Sir Francis Lovell, kt., John Spelman, sergeant-at-law, and Francis Moundford, willing them to make inquisition of certain lands given by Wolsey, previous to his attainder, to his college at Oxford, and leased out to certain farmers. These leases are to remain effectual. East Hampstead, 3 Aug. [22?] Hen. VIII.

4 Aug. **6548.** THE DIVORCE.

Add, MS. 28,581, f. 15. B. M.

Determination of the university of Alcala (*Complutensis*), at an assembly of the faculty of theology in the church of St. Ildefonso, that the marriage with a deceased brother's wife is not contrary to the Divine law, and the Pope can therefore grant a dispensation to allow such marriages. 1530, 4 Aug.

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ii. "Annotationes ad opinionem universitatis Complutensis super matrimonio regis Henrici VIII. cum regina Catherina. Non signatura. Non datum.

"In dorso: Censura sobre las paraceres de las universidades de Salamanca y Alcala. Pp. 2."

Lat., pp. 3, modern copy from Simancas.

4 Aug. Theiner, p. 592.

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Papal mandate, inhibiting all persons, on pain of excommunication, from writing or intermeddling with the said cause, contrary to their conscience, through hope of reward or favor of any kind. Rome, 4 Aug. 1530.

4 Aug. Add. MS. 28,581, f. 13. B. M.

6550. MAI to CHARLES V.

Has received the names of the lawyers who voted at Paris against the queen of England. Their conclusion does no harm, because they say the Pope could not dispense in this case "for a reasonable cause;" whereas the cause for which pope Julius dispensed was most urgent, as declared in the brief itself. Moreover, there ought to be two thirds of one opinion against the other third, according to the Statute of Paris; and their votes are only six or eight more than ours. Thinks, if the cause be heard at Rome, all their diligence will be thrown away. Dr. Benet told me the other day at chapel, that the Baron (de Burjo) was going in order to arrange that the matter be examined in an indifferent place. I complained to the Pope of this, and he denied it. Nevertheless I told him that your Majesty was determined to consent to no place but Rome, or wherever his Holiness should be. Rome, 4 Aug. 1530.

Sp., pp. 3, modern copy from Simancas.

5 Aug. Vit. B. XIII. 96 b. B. M.

6551. [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

On July 30 the ambassadors went again to the Senate to ask for an answer to the King's letters. First, the bishop of London propounded to them the cause of his coming, and asked them whether they would alter their letters to the King, which had been read to the ambassadors the Wednesday before, and which contained no direct answer. To this the Duke's deputy answered very gently, that they would do what they could to please the King, but in this case, "for respects of princes," they would not intermeddle, but remain neutral. The Bishop replied that that was no direct answer, and showed them that if their neutrality prevented their subjects from giving their opinions, it would be very prejudicial to the King, as every learned man must in his conscience favor his cause, if he had liberty to speak; and he therefore desired them to answer the King's requests directly either by mouth or letters, saying that they would either grant or deny the said licence. Gives the Bishop's words in Latin. Aloysius Mocenicus replied that the Bishop passed his commission, and unless he had another commission than that he had when presenting the King's letters, it became him to be content with this answer; it was enough for him to deliver the King's letters, for his Highness desired no such answer as he had requested. "[The] said Aloysius Mocenicus, besides many other checks and injuries [done unto my said] Lord, avaunted himself to have known what belonged to . . . . . Lord, and that he had been ambassador to . . . . . Against the which letters my said Lord made instance, c[ontending that] they promised nothing certain unto your Highness, wherefore Aloysius Moce[nicus] opprobriously desired my Lord to answer him laconice to this demand:" If the Emperor were to declare war against the king of England, and either party wrote to them, saying that he did not ask for money, but wished them to supply soldiers for his money, what should

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they do? Should they tell their soldiers to go? The Bishop replied that this was a different case, for the cause was not to be decided by force and the sword, but by justice, and therefore it was impious and unchristian to prevent their subjects taking part; besides, he did not wish them to tell their subjects to give advice, but only to allow them to do so. At this they were silent, but Mocenicus said that he was sure that the King, who was superior to the Bishop, would be content with their answer, and therefore it became the Bishop also to be content. At this Croke took upon himself to say that he was sure their answer was neither sufficient nor yet a direct answer to the King's letter,—which requests, if they will not grant what he asks, an absolute refusal, to prevent the wasting of time by false hopes; and therefore the Bishop did not pass his commission in asking for a plain yea or nay. Though they say that they have written more expressly to their ambassador in order to avoid making any promise, that can be no security for the King, nor discharge for his ambassadors, as "they m[ay at their] pleasure go from all the promises of the * * * should justly be made against them, that their orators would not exhibit their said letters unto him, nor durst not against them."

On this the Senate asked them to admit the letters that were devised and read before them; which the Bishop refused, saying that he could not do so without showing himself foolish in admitting an answer which was not to the effect; and he required them, if they would not expressly comprise in their letter the answer he desired, that they would give him there a sufficient and direct answer.

As he could get nothing from them but *volumus esse neutrales* and *responsum est*, and saw that they ever made more cavillations, he asked for an answer in one of these three ways,—*volumus concedere*, *nolumus concedere*, or *nolumus respondere*; at which words all were silent, except Mocenicus, who said that such answers ought to be made in schools and not in senates. Departed, telling them that the King would not be contented with such an answer. Hears that they immediately despatched a courier into England with their answer and excuse. Will do whatever the King wishes about it. * * (*A leaf or more lost.*) * *

"durst not publish themself) by other men published without daung[er] unto themself." Their mind was that all their su[bjects] should know that they did not wish them to meddle in the King's cause. This was why they opened their answer *in consilio rogatorum*, where above 300 persons are assembled, so that a tale there told is forthwith spread throughout all their dominion. To show to all the world that they refused the King's requests, immediately after the Council they restrained for a season their galleys, which were ready to go to England and Flanders; so that although in words they pretended neutrality, they have really more slandered and rid the King's desire, than if they had given an open prohibition. After the Council there was a constant rumor that "your High[ness' request] was" that the Signory should order the college of lawyers at Pa[dua] to determine in favor of the cause.

The day that the bishop of London left the Senate, Saturday, 30 July, he planned "with your [ambassador]" that they and Croke should on the morrow after go to the Senate to obtain some exposition of their neutrality; but the ambassador would not go. Then the Bishop and the [ambassador] agreed that he and Croke should go on Monday, but he sent an excuse. On Tuesday he went much earlier than usual, without Croke's knowledge. Followed immediately, but could not get even into the outer chamber, from which no man is lightly excluded, and from which Croke was never excluded before. On his return, he repeated to Stokesley and Croke many comfortable words which were spoken in the King's favor by the Senate, and such as never had been spoken to them. Did not think they had any

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color of truth, and now the contrary is evident. "Now to ascertain your Highness, as my faith bindeth me, of th . . . . . intent of your secret enemies. The bishop Theatinus is * * * shameth not to glory that he was desired by your said Highness to subscribe or write in the favor of your said cause." He also exhorts every one to beware of meddling in this cause, saying that he fears that those who take the King's part will repent too late. He desires every one with whom he talks to keep his counsel, as he does not wish to be known as taking the contrary part, but as indifferent. All this comes from ambition, as he believes that if he flatters the Emperor and the Pope, he will be one of those appointed to consider the matter by the Pope. He cannot, however, except to his own reproach, slander either the King's intent or the handling of his cause; for he was asked his opinion, and told that the King would as thankfully take an adverse judgment, if in accordance with his learning and conscience. His answer was as Croke has already written. Never proposed the King's case to any man, either when he proposed it as a private case, or in the King's name, in any other fashion, feeling certain that "if they that maintained the contrary would come to reason or authority, they should never be able evenly to match any man that with a mean wit had any sight in learning." Never entreated any man to favor the cause, and never gave or promised anything till after they had written or subscribed; or of their own cost, without being desired by Croke, had sent messengers abroad into the country, to cause other men to subscribe in corroboration of their opinion. Complains that although he has sent his account of money spent, Tuke denies having received it, and, counting what he has spent as still remaining in his hands, sends him only 200 ducats *de largo* in full payment of his diets for four months. Has been obliged to borrow or beg. Reminds the King of his poverty. Venice, 5 Aug.

Hol., draft, pp. 6, *mutilated.*

7 Aug. **6552.** NORROY KING OF ARMS.

Harl. 1499, f. 41 b. B. M.

"Be it noted that Norrey king of arms of the North country began his visitation at Sir Brian Stapleton's, knight, of Nottinghamshire, the 7th day of August anno Dom. M^lo^CCCCCXXX^o^."

The original book seems to have consisted of 142 *folios, numbered in a contemporary hand, of which several are blank, and some occupied by more modern writing.*

8 Aug. **6553.** FRANCIS I.

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Powers given to John du Bellay, bishop of Bayonne, and John Joachim de Passano, lord of Vaulx, now ambassador in England, to make a new league with Henry VIII. Cognac, 8 Aug. 1530.

Fr., p. 1, *copy from the French archives.*

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2. Powers given to the same to treat for a league for mutual defence with the kings of England and Scotland.

Fr., pp. 2, *copy from the French archives.*

[10 Aug.] **6554.** [WOLSEY] to CRUMWELL.

Cott. App. XLVIII. 13. B. M. St. P. I. 370.

"Myn owne lovyng Mr. Crumwell." Wishes to hear how [his] affairs stand concerning his college and his poor estate. Trusts that he will show himself his friend and comfort. If he knew his increasing heaviness of mind, his gentle heart would have compassion on him. Though he has quieted his m[ind with his] assurance concerning the inquisitions of the lands app[ertaining to] his archbishopric, such bruits and opp[inions] have sprung up in

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these parts that he is weary of hearing them. There is nothing here [but] lamentation and mourning, "not knowyng sertenly [what will follow]. I pray God that I may be onys in reposse, and [regard] may be had to my poore astat and old servys." Begs him to continue his efforts in Wolsey's behalf, and do the best in his power to make my lord of Northefolke [reasonable]. As Cromwell has such opportunities of access to the King's presence, he may from time [to time set] forth his causes.

Hol., p. 1, *mutilated.*

6555. [WOLSEY] to the LORD CHIEF JUSTICE (?).

R. O. "Mine own good lord chief baron,† after my most hearty recommendations, with my daily blessing and prayer, these shall be semblably to desire you, since it pleased the King's highness of his most excellent charity and piety to send unto me by you, I then lying at Ashar in great heaviness,‡ his most gracious letters patents of pardon and restitution, with consignation of a yearly pension [in Winchester],§ in as effectual and available wise as I was informed by his high commandment passed and made, as could be devised by his Grace's learned counsel, that it may please your good Lordship, of the prepensed mind that ye have always borne to honor, truth, and equity, to help that such order may be taken in the Exchequer and all other places, in the allowance of the said letters patents, as, by the inquisition lately taken upon the lands belonging to mine archbishopric of York, I be not put to new trouble, suit or vexation. And in case be that the same letters patents be demynute, or, by reason of the date or otherwise, in any part insufficient, as I trust in God they be not, upon my knees I shall most heartily beseech you, for the old amity that hath been betwixt us, to do the best that ye can with the King's [highness and his] most honorable and learned counsel, that the same may be newly in effectual manner amended and reformed, so as I may at all times hereafter quietly use, enjoy, and perceive the profits and commodities of my said archbishopric, both spiritual and temporal, without contradiction, stop, let, or vexation." This will be a great obligation, and Wolsey will give him cause to think that his pain is not ill bestowed, as the bearer, Mr. Elys, Wolsey's chaplain, will show more at large.

Pp. 2, *draft in Cromwell's hand, corrected by Wolsey.*

10 Aug. **6556.** THOMAS DONYNGTON to CROMWELL.

R. O. I beg God to reward you for your manifold goodness to me, for I am not able. I have delivered your letter to my Lord, and ascertained him of your gracious goodness. For your loving motion made for the return of the prebend of Wetwange to the church of York, lately appropriated to the college of Oxford, he thanks you, and sends you two geldings,—one ambling, the other trotting. You need not pay my servant for his charges, for there is no service you can require which I am not willing to do you. Southwell, 10 Aug. *Signed and sealed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Thomas Crumwell, Esquire.

10 Aug. **6557.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 24. B. M. * * * Obtained a brief a few days ago that no one should counsel, testify, nor speak on the case of the king of England, except for conscience and truth. The English ambassadors complained that this

† *Corrected,* "judge."

‡ "send . . . . heaviness." These words are underlined, as if to be struck out, and "give and grant unto me," written over.

§ *Corrected,* "out of the bishopric."

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was to forbid the faculty from giving an opinion, and, moreover, that as the terms of the brief required procedure according to canon or other law, it excluded the theologians. By a constant importunity they got the Pope to assent to a declaration thereupon, which as it did not appear good to the Queen's lawyers or to me, we made another, which they reformed again, and, although it is not as we desired, we think it may be suffered.

They will not yet give me the brief they promised that the universities should not pronounce an opinion on this cause, but I will solicit it in spite of the excuses St. Quatuor is continually making. He excuses himself by what I myself said in our justification, that your Majesty alone has more universities than all the rest of the world. As to giving a cardinal's hat to the auditor of the Chamber, is told that the Pope has replied that he wishes to know the will of the king of England. If so, I hold him to be a cardinal as much as Tarbes, especially as the office of auditor which he vacates is such that the Pope may sell or give it to any one he pleases. Begs the Emperor to write a word advising the Pope to create such persons cardinals as are well affected to the authority of the Holy See. Philip Decio has given an opinion that pope Julius was competent to dispense with reason; but the reason he put forward is not good. Repeats a request he has already several times made, that the acts be sent hither relating both to the first and second marriage. The Chancellor says that Granvelle has not got them. Begs that the Emperor will have them sent hither, for in 40 days the holidays will be over. * * * Rome, 10 Aug. 1530.

Sp., pp. 12, *modern copy from Simancas.*

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6558. HENRY CARBOTT, Priest, to CROMWELL.

Thanks him for his letters to my lord Cardinal, which he delivered, 30 June, by Mr. George Geforte. Was desired by my Lord to wait for him till "he might intend for to commen with me," and meanwhile to take meat and drink with him. Was called by him on Saturday, 6 Aug., as he walked into the park, when his answer was, "I am provided of so many chaplains that I cannot excuse you of the King's statute; but I am content for to admit you for my chaplain, and I would that ye should go to your benefice unto the time that I may avoid some of my chaplains, and then ye for to come." Replied that he had no house with his benefice, and had left my lord of Lincoln's service on the promise that Wolsey made to Mr. Cromwell and him at the Charterhouse; which also induced him to give up the chancellorship of Meath. He said he had no office void in the province of York, but would help him for the sake of Cromwell his special friend. He desired him to come to him at Cawode, about Exaltation of the Holy Cross, when he will provide him an office if possible. On 7 Aug. he admitted him for his chaplain, and Carbott went to York. Is thus undone without Cromwell's help, until he can be in household with his Grace, as Cromwell so often promised. York, 11 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his special good master, Mr. Cromwell, be this delivered at London. *Sealed.*

11 Aug. Vit. B. XIII. 99 b. B. M.

6559. [CROKE to STOKESLEY.]

Today at 19 o'clock delivered the King's letters to the bishop of Verona, who was marvellously abashed at them, to judge both from his words and his countenance, which was extremely pale. He asked why the King wrote thus to him about the Florentines; for a letter of this kind, if shown to the Pope, would do more harm than good to the King's cause. He asked earnestly if the Pope knew anything of these letters. Suspects that he has heard that the Pope knows of them, considering that the King's packet to Stokesley was opened, and that the ambassador spoke as if he knew what

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the King wrote to the Pope before the letter was delivered. The Bishop first asked Croke if he knew the tenor of the letter; he replied that he did. He then asked if Stokesley knew. Told him that everything was sent principally to Stokesley and then to himself. Afterwards he inquired whether either of them had shown it to any one else,—which Croke denied; and he earnestly begged that no one might know of such a letter having been sent,—which Croke promised should not be done. He said he thought the letter had been devised by some friend of the Florentines, and asked Croke whether he did not think that the secretary had shown the copy to some one. Could not assure him of this. He replied that if Croke knew that the Pope had the copy, he would send it to the Pope, saying that it was devised by a friend of the Florentines and enemy to His Holiness's house, and that the King had signed it unawares. Suspected he said this to discover Croke's opinion of the secretary, who is an Italian, and perhaps his friend, whom "I hate not but love, unless that [I] fear lest by affection of country and by signification made [inter]changeably, the King's matters that I am put in trust with [may] be hindered, as we have no small tokens ne arguments, but . . . . . [p]roffes in which some ever the fault be by uttering of al * * * the opening of the packet. I thought if the copy of . . . . . letters to him were not come to the Pope to be a way to ca . . . . . to send it unto the Pope to the King's displeasure in con . . . . . if the copy of the King's letters to him be already in the Pope's [hands,] as it is not unlikely, seeing the opening of your packet by . . . . . brother, and the retaining of the posts at Bologna two days." It is a pity to deceive the goodman without profit to the King, and is [great] harm to him. He earnestly favors the King, and has caused many to write for him,—among others, his vicar, who was for nine years loc[umtenens] auditoris cameræ at Rome. Thinks he may be one of the Pope's delegates in the cause. Stokesley must decide whether it is better to be plain with him, being the King's friend, concerning the opening of this packet. Simonetus says that the [Pope] knew every word and working that we did. Verona, 10 Aug.

"As touching do . . . . . [it] is best that ye bear him on hand that ye think my lett[er] . . . . . to the King, and that ye will do all that ye can to excuse fath[er] . . . . . ., and that there is no so ready way to that as that Diony[sius by his] acts prove all his accusers liars, the which he must do with [gaining] many subscriptions and counsels. Thus ye must say I was th . . . . . with the vicar general, the which hath written for us already an[d] . . . . . and wholly of our opinion. And I showed him my lord of Wor[cester's letters]. And the vicar said to me these words: "Ut loquamini inter nos, dominus [meus est] totus papalis et dixit mihi hæc verba: Calixte, audio te concessisse s . . . . in hoc negotio, cave quid facias, nam ante breve obtentum posset esse [nimis] periculi, quia tu es sacerdos et habes multa sacerdotia a pontifice et a . . . . . pontifex fecit cum quibusdam qui ostenderunt se favere negotio regis [magnas] turbas et ego etiam sentio pro rege, sed nollem tibi aut mihi noceri. Respondi, Quomodo potest mihi noceri, quia ego jurisperitus sum et pr . . . . . est patrocinari?"

At last spoke to him of the e[pistle] *Deus qui ecclesiam*, which he said was entirely against our adversaries. He advised Croke to go before him to the Bishop, because the Bishop should . . . . . them come together. Found him at mass. Asked him to write to the Pope for the brief to the King, and a[lso] to Stokesley, and to keep the King's letter secret [from] the Pope. All this he granted. "But to the . . . . . [he] said, possum lactare dominationem vestram bonis verbis, sed nolo quomodo . . . . . in hoc negotio cui vel judicio suo vel favore in Cæsarem aliqu . . . . . in his quæ ad privatam ipsius utilitatem pertinebant nollebat . . . . . .

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. . . . . [To] this I answered, Hoc tamen cum rex a dominatione vestra pet . . . . . quod si essetis Rhomæ facile a pontifice obtineretis * * * retus fidem meam qui verbis vestris credulus promptam in hoc operam authoritatemque vestram futuram scripsi. Ad hæc concessit se omnia apud pontificem conaturum." To the last he said that he would sooner incur the anger of the Pope than tell him that, even if the Pope knew it already. The more Croke spoke with him, the more he suspected that he thought the Pope knew of the King's letter. He said today that if he wrote to the Pope for the brief, he must say that he does it at the King's request; and if he shows the letter, which he will be compelled to do, he will do rather harm than good. Said that he might say that the King's ambassadors came to him secretly, and said that they had a letter for him, which they had lost, and of which the tenor was to ask him to move the Pope to issue the brief; and that their negligence might be concealed, they desired him to write to the King that he had received it, and to the Pope for the brief. This he refused to do; for if it should come out afterwards, or if the Pope had knowledge of the tenor, he would suspect him the more, and be displeased with him. "And every [minute] he inculked: Ego vereor ne culpa alicujus secretarii hæ literæ pervenerint ad notitiam pontificis." Asks for advice, and for some knowledge of what the senate has done, "and ever make you for the consideration that ye by experience knowye to our ambassador that ye knowye nothing." The Bishop told Croke today that when Paul came he could tell him of Croke's coming. 11 Aug.

Was again this afternoon with the vicar general, who says that the Bishop has not yet licenced him, but will not forbid him to write; but the Bishop feared he might incur the Pope's displeasure and be hurt, and himself also blamed. The vicar in heart is all the King's. He told Croke that he would write, and alleged against the Bishop's doubt of the Pope, the bishop of Worcester's letters of the brief, saying that if the Pope would not be content for any man to give counsel, he would not grant the brief. He said that the Bishop and he talked of how to move the Pope for the brief, "and said that his desire was that the Pope . . . . . præciperet omnibus ut justo et diligente studio prævio dicerent et scriberent . . . . . quid sentirent in conscientia sua, neque id celarent ullomodo * * * Sed omnia facere oportet by exhorting and shew[ing the] great trust the King hath that he alonely will not get him this br[ief, but] also many friends."

Wishes to know where is the drea[m] of her who married two brothers, which he read to Croke in Saint J[ohannis] et Pauli library. Asks him not to leave Venice till his return. Has informed the bishop of Verona about the bishop of Chieti.

Hol., draft, pp. 4, mutilated.

13 Aug. Add. MS. 28,581, f. 36. B. M.

6560. EUSTACE CHAPUIS.

Commission of Charles V. to Eustace Chapuis, his ambassador in England, to act and protest on the Queen's behalf in the matter of the divorce. Augsburg, 13 Aug. 1530, "Imperii nostri 13 [11 ?], et aliorum omnium regnorum 15."

Lat., modern copy from Simancas, pp. 5. Endd.: "Mandatum pro negotio reginæ Angliæ."

14 Aug. Add. MS. 28,581, f. 39. B. M.

6561. The ABBOT OF LLOR to FRANCISCO DE LOS COVOS.

"The new comet, and what it signifies. Rome, 14 Aug. 1530.

"Postscriptum.—As the affair of England is postponed or suspended, the cardinal Egidio intends to go to Viterbo towards the end of the month.

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The Abbot of Llor to Francisco de los Covos—*cont.*

As he does not go far, and promises to return immediately he is wanted, his absence from Rome causes not the least inconvenience.

"Add.: To the very illustrious and noble and high Lord, the secretary and comendador mayor, &c.

"Spanish, holograph, pp. 2."

Abstract of MS. at Simancas.

14 Aug. **6562.** Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Le Grand, III. 491. Colbert MS. 468 V., p. 509.

I have been obliged to stay in this town since yesterday morning, having been informed on my arrival that the faculty had entered into conclave to discuss anew (*regratter*) the matter of the king of England, at the instigation of Beda, Barthelemy, and their accomplices, who, as you know, after so many precious alarms made by them, the moment they were discharged from the presence of their dean, of the bishop of Senlis, of the abbots of Premonstré, St. Martin, Vendôme, Cussi, &c., attempted on their own authority to break what had been done and concluded in so great a company. As the disease seems to gain strength, notwithstanding the remedy applied by the King, I must tell you the state to which matters have come. In the absence of the persons above named, these good lords making their capitular congregations at their own pleasure, and leading, by an authority long ago usurped, part of the faculty at their devotion, have sent to signify to the bishop of Senlis, being in his diocese, under pain of disobedience, that he should deliver up to them the act and register of the determination which had been come to upon this matter. This act he had taken, and was keeping in behalf of the King, whose commands he told them he had, not to give it to any one but himself. For this the doctors above named were going to proclaim in their congregation that he be deprived of the faculty as a rebel. But those who saw the injury which might arise from this to the faculty got them to send again to the bishop of Senlis, with more express orders, fortified by greater threats than before. He replied as before, adding that although he was bound to obey his mother the faculty, he was still more bound to obey the King, who was the father of that which they called his mother. After these feasts they are going to replace the matter in the office. My brother, persevering in his martyrdom, is trying night and day to neutralize their efforts; for although the King might punish them afterwards, there would still remain a great scandal, which could hardly be removed. For my part I have done what I could, but the thing is so far gone that they will carry it, if those who have power to redress the wrong do not see to it. If you knew the difficulties in which my brother is continually placed, you would not be surprised that I have heretofore urged that he should have his *congé;* but even if it were granted to him, and he were willing to depart from here, I have begged him to remain some days till he has got over this fever. The occasion of the said doctors being assembled yesterday was to make of their number a new determination opposed to the former one. They have been defeated for the present, but no pains have been taken to prevent them issuing prohibitions to all those of the faculty, that none of them should sign the negative, viz., according to the will of the king of England, but not forbidding them to sign according to that of the Queen; so you see what impartiality they show. The very day I left Cognac, I saw the negative reply, which the King ordered to be made to the Imperial ambassadors on their demand that the vote of each person should be communicated to them. This refusal was on the ground that the decision of the faculty should be left untouched, and that it was not reasonable that special information should be given to the parties. But finding that Beda and the others intended this very thing,

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and a great deal more, I spoke with the President to see if, after so many express commands from the King, he would do what his duty required. This he has promised me to attempt; and I believe that he will do so, for he is too good a man not to prefer the King's will to the friendship of others in a good and just cause.

I have informed you of all this, that you may be able to advise the King. It is needful not only to reply to the Emperor's ambassadors, but to see to the matter here; for what has been done hitherto by Dr. Guarray, of which the ambassadors speak so often, has not been by their request, nor by that of the Emperor or the queen of England, but at the instigation of Beda and his friends, exhorting him to maintain the honor of his country throughout the world. Hence I suppose it did appear, and from their other drifts on the information which the King has ordered to be made of it, that several individuals still are in great fear of stating the truth, knowing the favor shown to the said doctors. Tomorrow morning I shall leave this on my journey, and shall endeavor to satisfy the king of England to the best of my power; he being, as I know, fully informed of these new practices, and not without suspicion that there is something concealed which he does not understand, for he cannot imagine that such abuses would be committed if the King did not wish it. And for my part, if I had not been present, and seen how much the King was vexed in your absence, and since, I should not myself know what to think of it. Presidents La Viste and Polliot were ready to leave this a few days ago; but on receiving the commission to report the things done and said by the said doctors, they have resolved not to move till their report is made as much in accordance with the King's intention as possible, my brother remaining meanwhile to instruct them. The rest of the acts demanded by the king of England have been granted today with some difficulty. No one could have thought ill of it if I had used my credence with the President, for I have not gone beyond the King's intention.

Begs an answer to what he wrote by Savigny, so that he may not be anxious on his arrival in England, and that a letter be written to Besnier about money to be delivered to the commissioners of John Joachim on the 18th, which the General of Normandy said should be ready on the 8th. Paris, 14 Aug.

Fr. Add.: Mons. le Grant Maistre et Mareschal de France.

15 Aug. **6563.** WILLIAM DU BELLAY to ———.

Le Grand, III. 473.

Till now I have not written to you of the affair which has kept me here by the King's command, owing to your absence, and since your return, because I did not think men had so great partiality against the King's opinion that they would try to bring again into discussion a matter already passed. I have only written of it to my brother and Villandry, who knew the whole circumstances, and would not trouble you about it needlessly, and still less the King, regretting that he should have been so often wearied with the talk of such venerable lords. The present affair, since I spoke with you at Chantilly, and you sent to this town to show Beda the King's intention, has been conducted with such wicked intrigues, that I have seen the King's interests in great danger; and, but for the president, who has great influence with Beda, there would have been such a serious mischance from the doings of a fool, as the sense of a thousand wise men could not easily have rectified. I believe any judge but the president, who believes Beda infallible in his theology, would have imputed to him as a mortal sin what even the president can hardly consider venial. The King has decreed a commission to enquire into the misconduct of Beda and his companions, at the instance of the earl of Wiltshire, and, among other things, has written to the president to com-

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WILLIAM DU BELLAY to ——— —*cont.*

mand the beadle of the faculty of theology to deliver an authentic copy of a certain act signed by Beda, which he would have been glad not to have signed. Of this the English ambassadors had requested that the original might be delivered to them, or at least to a third party, or else a copy in his own hand, for another copy would not serve their purpose, as the matter concerned the King their master; but the president did not dare to deliver a copy of it without leave of the faculty, or command of the King. To get it by the faculty's leave was to begin again at A, B, C, owing to the opposition of Beda. The ambassadors therefore chose to get the King's letters. I went yesterday morning to present them to the president, who assured me that he would obtain the copy; and to satisfy the king of England, my brother and I, being here at 4 o'clock, went to the president, who said the beadle had refused to deliver it, except by command of the faculty, because no copy was ever made without leave, and until it was approved by the faculty. On this I told the president that there was a great difference according as a private person or a prince demanded the transcript, and that it was no business of the faculty for what cause it was asked, for the cause might be such as it was desirable to conceal;—that the act which I now asked for had already been approved by the faculty, and signed by the deans, syndic, deputies, *clavigeri*, and beadle of the same. This he acknowledged, but said the beadle was in some perplexity for fear of being accused of forgery. Then my brother and I answered, that the reason why we wished to have the copy was because I had been present at the act, and had noted it. But as Beda and his accomplices regretted having signed it, and the beadle was at their command, and especially as the minute signed contained erasures in some places, we were afraid it had been tampered with. For a whole hour we could not get the president to promise that he would use anything but prayers. At last he agreed to use some gracious commands, promising to bind himself to the beadle before two notaries, that he would bring back his original minute. All this, however, was to no purpose. I felt much ashamed that a president of Paris, representing the King's person, and exhibiting his letters, after being denied so many requests by a beadle, did not venture to command him expressly, and even force him to obey. This I could not help telling him; and, though I knew he did not like it, I managed, with a credence which my brother then devised, to embolden him so that he made himself obeyed. He sent the beadle to bring the act, and we read it together. He promised to give us a copy, but afterwards to ask that time should be allowed him till 5 or 6 o'clock this morning, which the president has granted him.

I have written to you because I know the president was displeased with the freedom I took, and has this morning written to you without the knowledge of my brother and me. You must not think that Beda is the sole wrong-doer, for he has plenty of fellows, who would be glad enough to provoke the King to do something hasty, so as to acquire the character of martyrs. I have often heard of their wicked purposes, under the color of good faith. Paris, 15 Aug.

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15 Aug. **6564.** PRESIDENT LIZET to the GRAND MASTER OF FRANCE.

Le Grand, III. 480.

The King has written to me by the bishop of Bayonne to obtain from the beadle of the Faculty of Theology a copy of some acts made upon the discussion of the king of England's marriage, and send them to him. I have accordingly obtained from him the copy of the act required by the king of England, and send it to Francis. The bishop of Bayonne desired me to give it to him, to take to England, saying, he was so commissioned by Francis; but this does not appear by the letters missive brought me by the

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Bishop, while the commands of Francis are distinct that I should send it to him, and not let it be shown to any one else. I think, for reasons which I have written to Francis, they should do no more until I have informed him how the affair has been conducted, and that the information might perchance injure the king of England, rather than serve him. Paris, 15 Aug. *Signed:* "Pierre Lizet."

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15 Aug. **6565.** Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Le Grand, III. 500.

I have seen such dissimulation in the President about the affair contained in my other letters that I was obliged to show him at length, and as gently as I could, the intention of the King. He asserted that he knew as well as anybody what the King wished, and what was his interest (*ce qui luy touchoit*). I admitted this, and much more; but seeing that he put me off for three or four days, I told him that I had an express command from the King, which I had just communicated to him; and especially I told him what, the time I mounted on horseback, the ambassadors of the Emperor had demanded, and the answer that had been made to them. I do not know what he said in answer. He spoke to me three or four hours in Latin "en Auvergnaz," without stopping to take breath; but whatever it was, I could not get him to order the beadle of the faculty to deliver the acts demanded by the King. At last he delivered a copy, but refused to show the original to compare with it, acknowledging that there was at the end a small error by which he might be accused of forgery. You know the suspicion that there was long ago, that Beda had tampered with the beadle's register; so I urged all the more that the said register should be seen before the beadle had an opportunity of consulting with the others. Still I could not get the president to do more than send humble requests to the beadle, although he said openly he would do nothing with it. At last, fearing the president's conduct was owing to cowardice, I summoned him, in the King's name, in the presence of the beadle, to cause him to obey the King's will; and if he would not, I protested against him;—thinking that this course would relieve him from responsibility as regards the other, as I had explained to him in a whisper beforehand. At last we all expressed ourselves very well satisfied with each other, the president assuring me that I should have the act that evening, though in the end he asked me to wait till 5 o'clock this morning; from which time I have remained booted till 11, sending to him all my men, one after another, to know what more I should do, who are all forbidden access to him. Some were told that the door key was lost, others that Monsieur was asleep, others that he had taken medicine, others that they and the bishop of Bayonne must have patience. Thereupon I found means to ascertain that after the conference of our masters, he had slipped off by a back way, and I went to find him at St. Germain des Préz, where he had forbidden the monks to let anybody enter. You will hardly believe what I say, but it is only half the truth. I found this great doctor "genolz" (*à genoux?*) before Mons. St. Mathelin, and I asked him very graciously to give me the act he had promised me. He answered that he had no business to believe me (*qu'il n'avoit charge de me croire*), and that he had sent it that morning to the King by special post. I answered that it was all right, but that he had made me lose a whole day by not opening his door to my men, which I complained of more than of the trouble of tracking him through the fields, for that the service of the King required. He said he was obliged to obey his physicians, who bid him not move from his chamber, or speak to anybody, as he had just taken medicine; and I believe he thought it was a month since he refused admittance to my men. I had so much pity on this answer that I did not answer him again, but bade him good bye, and

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asked Audebert, if he had not yet despatched the post, to wait for my packet. Hearing of this from Audebert, he immediately sent him an usher, commanding him, under pain of being counted a rebel to the King, to send off the post immediately, and instructing the usher, if Audebert did not obey, to take him to the conciergerie. I do'nt know if I live in fairy land, but I never saw anything so ridiculous, if it be not to the injury of the King's affairs. He now repents of his order, and sends to me that I may send my packet when I please. But in any case, if you do not wish to be much importuned by England, send me immediately that act, which I would have bought with my blood, or would rather that he had not promised it to me, for on his assurance I promised it last night to the king of England's agent here. The farce has been so prolonged that it is now 3 o'clock, p.m., when I am leaving this town to see your garden of Chantilly, where Madame la Grande Maistresse remains till Wednesday. After that I shall endeavor to make up for these delays. Paris, 15 Aug.

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15 Aug. **6566.** ARTHUR LORD LISLE.

R. O. Indenture, dated 15 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII., by which Nicholas Lymett, of Exeter, "potekary," sells to Arthur Plantagenet viscount Lisle the fourth part of a ship called *The Mary Plantagenet*, on condition that Lymett shall have lading and freight for 30 tons weight of goods in every voyage until he has received the value of 100*l.*

Copy, authenticated by Lymett under his own hand; pp. 3. *Sealed. Endd:* The copy of an indenture between my Lord and Nicholas Lymett, potikary of Excestre, with his quittance to my Lord, and a charterparty.

16 Aug. **6567.** [CROKE] to BENET.

Vit. B. XIII. 101 b. B. M. Friar Franceys at his departing took 10 cr. to friar Dionysius, to continue the things which he has begun, and to retain doctors of law to write for the King. Three counsels he has already obtained, which Croke has. Friar Thomaso, to whom the King is not a little beholden, sent a conclusion in the King's favor to Utino, where Dionysius practised, and obtained the subscriptions of ten doctors of law. To magnify his own labors, he hinted that Dionysius was not dealing faithfully; whereupon Stokesley advised Croke to send the information to father Francis, suppressing names. Did not believe the tale, but wanted father Francis to write to Dionysius, and by emulation of the one to prick on the other to the better advancement of the King's causes. Enclosed the letter of which Stokesley approved, in the letters of the latter to Benet. Blames Benet for his discourtesy in opening it, for he might know that the Bishop is not accustomed to make any man privy to his several letters, nor yet to enclose letters to which he is not privy. Believes that he has exceeded his commission in doing it, and has done an injury both to Croke and Stokesley, showing that he mistrusts them, and wants to take them in some fault of negligence or infidelity. Their acts will declare them free from any suspicion, but his will go near to prove him guilty in both. Benet has marvellous great acquaintance in Bologna. Asks him to tell the King that one friend he has made, the Prothonotary, has said that some of the King's ambassadors at Bologna advised him not only not to further, but to hinder, the King's cause as much as possible. This advice is as likely to be Benet's as any other's; for if he had been earnest in the King's cause, he would not have gone about to discourage, threaten, and rebuke Croke at Bologna because he had diligently and prosperously labored for the King; "and so to revile me for . . . . . [comma]undemente, and according

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to the same for . . . . . rone, written in the King's favor, and their practising to get the King's friend[ship] . . . . . laid to my charge in specie), me thinketh ye passed the compass [of your] authority." His only reason for accusing him to the King was the words of the Emperor's chancellor. "The Ki[ng's] causes are not promoted ne advanced with getting up and down . . . . . dalliance, but with faith, pain, and diligence;" of which, if Benet had a sparkle, he would not go about to cloak the infidelity of those whom he knows secretly to hinder the King's ca[use] as much as they can, nor disclose to them all that is spoken to him as ambassador, nor discourage those who serve truly and profitably, and try to trip them up, as he did by opening Croke's letter. Knows about his ill reports of him, sent into England and to the bishop of London, and how he has dispraised and depraved his acts, and the learning of father Francis in Scripture. Could have accused him if he had been as prompt to do so as Benet has been. If he has sent Croke's letter into England, Stokesley and Croke will be forced to show the King the truth of him, "the which to your little honesty took u[pon yourself to] break up my letters, and by expostulation of the tenor of [them to] father Francis, have brought him in mind that . . . . . him upon suspicion unto you * * * my request or any others, so the said Dionysius upon father Francis letter now already hath refused any more to meddle." As the King's ambassadors suspect him so much that they open all his letters, and put him out of credence, will not meddle further till he knows the King's pleasure. Venice, 16 Aug.

Hol., draft, pp. 3, *mutilated.*

16 Aug. R. O. **6568.** ZIEGHERUS to CROKE.

Lazarus Bonamicus Bassanus, who has been with me at Ferrara, told me that you had spoken with him. Is glad to hear Croke has contracted a friendship with such a learned man. Hearing that Croke has not returned to England, but is now at Venice, has brought over Coelius (Cælius) Calcagninus, who will write in the case proposed by him. He has many arguments making for the matter, but he has not done all that lay in his power, not being aware either of Croke's presence at Venice, or of his desire to have the thing effected. Croke must write to acquaint him with both facts. Your servant whom you despatched to Bologna has conveyed to you by Ferrara my request that you would get Procopius on the buildings of Constantinople copied out for you. It will be a good thing for you to have such a rare author in your library, and to me it will be a help in some geographical studies, in which I have to fix the site of some remarkable cities. Ferrara, "ex ædibus Coelii Calcagnini," 16 Aug. 1530.

Coelius is in the country twenty miles off.

Lat., p. 1. *In Croke's hand. Endd.:* "The copy of Ziegherus' letter to me."

16 Aug. R. O. **6569.** ——— to HANNIBAL [GRISONIUS].

Has not been able till now to inform him of his happiness. Presented himself at the college on Saturday, and was received with much favor to himself and his patron Vincenzo. Instead of three fourths he had more than four fifths, for there were 49 doctors. "Io scosi" 41, and 8 against. Has been with Vicenzo, who had heard "che el Parisio et el corte erano sta rechiesti et non havevano voluto consegliar molto rinchrese a la Ex^{tia} di M. Vizenzo non potervi servir," and I am grieved to the heart not to be able to do it. Having gained the college with so much trouble, I would not lose it in anything. If it had not been done by the college, I would have postponed

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everything, and signed myself. Has many other things to tell him when he and Vincenzo come, &c. Padua, 16 Aug. 1530.

Ital., p. 1. *Endd. by Croke:* "The copy of a letter of one of the *potestates*, being cousin to Dr. Hanniball, sent unto Dr. Hannibal. The original is in my hand; and his name, for fear of disclosure, I leave in this bill unwritten."

16 Aug. **6570.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 411.

Statement of an argument against the Pope's power to dispense in the case of marriage with a deceased brother's wife.

Lat., p. 1. *Endd. in modern hand:* "Inclosure from Dr. Crooke, 16 Aug. 1530."

18 Aug. **6571.** CROMWELL to WOLSEY.

R. O. St. P. I. 365.

After receipt of your letters from Southwell, dated St. Laurence's Day (10 Aug.), I perceived that you were in some displeasure and anxiety because I had certified you of the finding of certain "offices" (inquisitions) respecting the bishopric of York. The bearer will restore you to quiet of mind by showing you the copies of the offices, and how they will be for your profit; for although your conviction in the *præmunire* is touched upon in the preamble, your pardon and restitution stand good, and you need be in no fear of your spiritual or temporal goods. Were it otherwise, I am sure the King would make all good, for he has no wish that you should be troubled. Take patiently the finding of these offices, and on the return order shall be taken that you are not molested in your revenues. The Dean and others have had a favorable answer from the King touching your colleges, of which "offices" shall be found. I expect to get 1,000 marks at the audit for Winchester. Send the papers under seal relating to Battersea. Strangwish continually cries against you in the court, and the Council have determined to write to you in consequence. I wish you were rid of the man. The prebend of Witwang shall be ordered to your satisfaction.

You are much bound to God that you have obtained the good wishes of the people in those parts, and the report of it here has augmented the good opinion of many towards you; yet, notwithstanding, your charitable demeanor is misinterpreted here by your enemies. Yet follow all such things that shall stand best with the pleasure of God and the King. Some allege you keep too great a house, and are continually building. I beseech you, as I have often done before, to consider the times, and refrain from all building more than necessity requires.

I thank you for the geldings you have sent, and think you happy that you are now at liberty to serve God, and banish all vain desires of the world, which bring men nothing but trouble and anxiety. "Wherefore, in mine opinion, your Grace being as ye are, I suppose ye would not be as ye were to win a hundred times as much as ever ye were possessed of."

The bishop of Bayonne is daily expected, and my lord of Wiltshire is coming home. The Emperor is popular with his subjects, but they will not leave Luther. He is making preparations against the Turk to recover Hungary. His second son is dead. The Germans will have a General Council. The Florentines defy the Pope, "and it is supposed that they shall vynce," as there is a pestilence in the Pope's party. There is great "carystye" in Italy, and wheat is sold at 40*s.* a quarter. The Papal ambassador is expected in less than 14 days. It is impossible for me to repair to you at this time. I would have done so long since, had I not been prevented by important business. I am, and during my life shall be, with your

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Grace, in heart, spirit, prayer and service, to the uttermost of my power. London, 18 Aug.

Please let the bearer return speedily, as I can ill spare him.

Draft in Wriothesley's hand, corrected by Cromwell, and endorsed by him.

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6572. For Jo. Matt. Ghiberto, Bishop of Verona.

Licence, with the consent of Hieron. de Ghinucci, bishop of Worcester, to "divest himself" of 500 ducats out of the annual pension of 2,000 ducats which he receives from the fruits of the see of Worcester, and to grant them to Balthazar de Gratiis, bishop of Castellaneto. Hampton Court, 15 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsehith, 19 Aug.

20 Aug. Add. MS. 28,581, f. 40. B. M.

6573. Garay to Charles V.

Excuses the frequency of his writing by the urgency of the occasion. A post left yesterday with the writings of what had been done by the faculty in the matter of the queen of England by order of the king of France. Thinks the King will communicate about it with Francis Bonvalet, the Imperial ambassador. Has done what he could to obtain them, but the King did not wish it. The process was corrected in Garay's presence, and a register of what was done remains with the bedell, &c. Paris, 20 Aug. 1530.

Sp., pp. 3, modern copy from Simancas papers in the French archives.

Cott. App. XLVIII. 7. B. M. Ellis, 2 Ser. II. 32.

6574. [Wolsey to Henry VIII.]

"Most gracyous soverayn lorde and mercyfull prince, prostrat at your Majestys fete, witt wepyng terys, thes shalbe in moste reverente and humble maner to recomende unto your excellente charyte and goodnes the poore college of Oxford, wych for the gret zele and affeccion that your Grace beryth to good letters, vertue, and noreshyng of lernyng, and in consyderation of my paynfull and long contynuyd servyse, [your Grace was] contentyd that I shuld erect, fownde and establish. And wher, natwithstandyng my convyction in the præmynere, of your most excellent nature wych hathe evyr been mor [incli]nd and propensyd to clemency and mercy then to rygor and severyte, it hath pleasyd your Highness to your perpetuall meryte, honor, and renowne to imparte your mercy, [li]berallyte, and bowntifulnes unto me, for the wych I accept my [sel]f of all creatures lyvyng to be most oblegyd and bownden unto Your Majeste," so, it may please you to have pity on the dean and canons of the said college, who are coming to know your pleasure concerning their establishment.

Hol., draft, mutilated, p. 1.

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6575. Wolsey to the Lord Chief Justice.

"My lord Chief Judge, after my most hearty recommendations, with like thanks for your charitable goodness exhibited and showed unto me in my great trouble and calamity, these shall be to recommend unto you the state of my poor college in Oxford, with the dean and canons of the same; and to consider, as a merciful judge, that though I am the first great prelate that ever was convicted in the *præmunire* for using of the authority of the legate de latere within this realm, and percase by the severity of the law the same may extend as well to me as to the lands of my said poor college, yet, forasmuch [as* I have so humbly submitted myself, and] (as God be my judge) I never

* Interlined in Wolsey's own hand, a similar expression a little lower being struck out.

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used the said authority contemptuously or maliciously, intending to do thereby anything that should be either to the derogation of the King's dignity, majesty royal, jurisdiction, or laws; great pity it were that to these poor innocents the sharpness and rigor of the law should be ministered. It may please you, therefore, in the way of charity, by your great wisdom and goodness, to be a mean to attemper this said severity with mercy, clemency, and compassion, and to consider what benefit and profit shall daily arise to the subjects of this realm and the commonwealth of the same, by the good establishment and continuance of the said college. And the rather it may please you thus to do for the old amity that hath been betwixt us; and that in the erection and foundation of the said college I have used as well your said advice and counsel as of the residue of the judges, supposing at that time"——— (*Here the MS. breaks off.*)

Draft, pp. 2. *Endd.:* Copies of letters sent from my lord Cardinal to the Chief Judge, the Chief Baron, and to Master Shelly.

ii. *Blank half-sheet, with endorsement:* Copies of the letters that my lord Cardinal sent to my lord of Northfolk, and to other lords.

6576. WOLSEY to [the ATTORNEY GENERAL].*

Cott. App. XLVIII. 7 b. B. M. St. P. I. 363.

Begs his favor for the dean and canons of his poor college in Oxford, who are now repairing to the King to learn his pleasure for their continuance. As these colleges were erected by the King's assent, according to the direction of the judges, it would be great pity that these poor scholars should suffer by Wolsey's "commycion" in the *præmunire*, or their lands be taken away. Begs him on his knees to intercede with the King, as these endowments cannot in conscience be converted to any other use than of the said college.

ii. "The same tenor to my lord Chief Baron."

Hol., draft, mutilated.

6577. [WOLSEY] to Mr. SHELLEY.

Cott. App. XLVIII. 9. B. M. St. P. I. 364.

In consideration of their old friendship, and as he has before used his counsel, asks him to be good master to the dean and canons of Card. Coll., Oxford, in their present need, that their incorporate body may continue, and no great portion of their lands be taken away. It were great pity they should suffer in consequence of his conviction, as the college has been erected by the King's and Pope's grants as effectually as could he devised. Begs him to use his favor that the rigor of the law be not executed. When it is considered how [the possessions of] the monasteries suppressed were converted to the use of the college by the King and the Pope, they cannot be employed to other uses.

Hol., draft, mutilated, p. 1.

6578. WOLSEY to the DEAN OF [WINDSOR, SAMPSON].

Cott. App. XLVIII. 8. B. M.

Thanks him for the goodness he has shown "as well to me in my calamity as to the poor dean and canons of my college in Oxford." Requests him, as he regards the increase of learning and virtue, and their ancient friendship, to assist the said dean and canons now attending on the King to learn his pleasure as to their [gover]nance and establishment. Urges the benefits which shall arise to the subjects of this realm by the bringing up of learned men of this college, if it be not dissolved and its lands taken away.

Draft in Wolsey's own hand, mutilated, p. 1.

* Wrongly ascribed in the State Papers to Sir Anthony Wingfield; "Mr. Attorney" being misread "Mr. Anthony."

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22 Aug. **6579.** JOHN HIGDON and ROBERT CARTER, Priests, to WOLSEY.
R. O. Have diligently done their duty in Wolsey's college. Have searched the college muniments in Oxford and London, whether they might lawfully justify, or not. Were assisted by Edmund Knyghtley; and after long deliberation, concluded that the common law will not help us in this case, because your donation to the college is not effectual, but void in law; "forasmuch as ye, being seized in the lands of the houses suppressed in fee simple only, and to no use expressed in the King's deed of gift unto your Grace, was in danger of *præmunire* what time ye granted the said lands unto the college; and all the judges agreeth that the *præmunire* must have relation not only from the judgment given, but from the first act done contrary to the same. Wherefore, because your Grace used your authority legatine, and thereby was in case of the statute of provisions before the donation made unto your college, they say that the donation now standeth at the King's pleasure." Made intercession with the King. As Dr. Nicholas is highly favored, sent him before to the King to inform his conscience. After the King was at Windsor, I, the Dean, and Robert Carter, spake with my lord of Norfolk, who at first called us into his privy chamber, and declared we should have no more lands than such as belonged to the priory of Frideswide's; the college to be dissolved, the building to be taken down, and made conformable to the lands of the priory. But after I had shown him the loss of the revenues which would be incurred by the King and us if the college were dissolved, he stayed, and took instructions in writing. After I had delivered him the letter of attorney, and Mr. Tressham (?) and Mr. . . . nolde had delivered him letters from your Grace's canons, desiring his favor, he went straight to the King. Meanwhile Mr. Norrese advised us to attend at the King's closet, that we might speak with him as he was coming to mass. As we attended, there came Mr. Stephens, the King's secretary, to whom we delivered letters from the college. He promised faithfully to do the best he could.

As soon as the King entered, I, the Dean, delivered him the college letters, which he graciously accepted; and calling me, Carter, and Wi. Tressham apart, said, *submissa voce*, "I understand that ye are come unto us as suitors for your college, and have brought with you a letter of attorney to commune with our council, and to take some good way for the behoof of your house. Surely we purpose to have an honorable college there, but not so great and of such magnificence as my lord Cardinal intended to have, for it is not thought meet for the common weal of our realm, yet will we have a college honorably to maintain the service of God and literature. And as touching communication to be had with our Council, there are few of our learned council present at this time. We will that ye continue as ye have done till Michaelmas next coming, and then wholly to receive your rents, and then also to repair unto us; and ye shall at that time know our further pleasure, and what way shall be taken for the continuance of that college."

As the King went, he called to him my lords of Norfolk and Wiltshire. These two lords are now favorable to the college; for Norfolk came afterwards, and said to us, "Sirs, albeit I have spoken hardly to you at the beginning, yet will I be an helper in your matter; for the King is very gracious lord unto you, and purposeth that ye shall have a great deal more lands than I spake of. Move not the King contrary to his pleasure in no case, for he is minded to be very beneficial unto you. And as for the commissions, labor not to stay them, ne care not for them; they are traverseable, &c." Then we labored that the site and circuit of the college might be saved, and the Exchequer not meddle with them, lest the revenues impropriate should be lost; on which the lords of Wiltshire and Norfolk consented to obtain letters from the King to that effect. We came to Oxford on the 13th of August, when two pursuivants came to me, the Dean, with two commissions; by

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which I perceive that the Exchequer have little or nothing to do in the matter of inquisition. So we advised Mr. Tressham to speak with the commissioners, showing them the letters missive, which they refused to admit as a sufficient discharge, and required a *supersedeas*. By the help of Dr. Stephens we have obtained a *supersedeas*, so as the commissioners shall not intermeddle with the site and circuit. You will now know in what state the college stands, and will learn more by the bearer. "No more; but our Lord Jesu be ever your helper, endue you with patience, and grant you long incolumity to his pleasure and your consolation. Amen. From your Grace's college, the 22nd day of August. *Signed.*

Pp. 3, *slightly mutilated. Add. Endd.*

22 Aug. R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 385.

6580. HANNIBAL GRISONIUS, Canon of Istria, to HENRY VIII.

The bishop of London and Croke have been daily urging him to aid the King's just cause. Although to do so is dangerous, he has consented, in consideration of the King's singular virtues, both in learning and religion. His book against Luther, which is admired by most learned men, will commend his name to immortality. Knows that his writings are not perfect enough to be offered to the King, but he has done what he can. Has been hindered by circumstances which he would prefer the King should know from his ambassadors. Many persons are afraid to write or approve of the writings of others. Has written what he thought, and given the writings to the ambassadors. Asks the King to keep them secret. Venice, 22 Aug. 1530. *Signed:* Vile mancipium, Annibal Grisonius, juris utriusque doctor, canonicus Justinopolitanus.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.*

24 Aug. R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 400.

6581. [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

On the 22nd of August, received from Utino, by father Francis, the counsels of two doctors of law, one of them subscribed by two other doctors. Received the same day, through father Francis, a new consultation of Dr. Hannibal Grysonius, which the bishop of London likes well. His previous counsel was not so exquisite as this, as he did not know that it was a prince's cause. There is great fear here of writing or doing anything for the King. If there had been no commandment to the contrary, the King would have gained, by means of Hannibal, the whole college of lawyers at Padua. The same day, gave to the bishop of London parchment copies of the instrument of Bologna obtained by him, and of the instrument of Padua, obtained by Croke; which copies in the house of the ambassador Casale, and in their presence, were ordered by the bishop of Lodi to be signed by three notaries and sealed with his seal. He said that he wished he had known the King's pleasure when he was at Milan, for he would have caused the college of jurists and theologians to have granted the King their conclusions under their seal; and he offered to sign the instrument. For this offer the Emperor's ambassador quarrelled with him next day, to no little trouble of his mind, who told him thereof.

Asked the patriarch of Venice to make a transumpt of the instrument, but he answered that he dared not, lest he should incur the displeasure of the Senate. Philip de Cremis, and the provincial of the Grey Friars, and others who had received money for their work from Croke, rather as a fee than as hire, came to him and demanded their bills again, offering him his money back, and protesting that they would never be against the King. As Croke, with Stokesley's advice, and for other reasons, refused to do this, Philip de Chremis, the governor's vicar at Verona, said that he would send the money to the Venetian ambassador in England to be presented to the King himself.

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The Emperor has rewarded a foolish friar, called Felix, with a benefice of 500 ducats a year, for writing against the King. Francis Marinus, provincial of the Grey Friars, told Croke that he had been offered 1,000 ducats to prevent any friar in his province writing or subscribing for the King, and he knew well that the brief which Croke alleged to him would be privily restrained. He says he will do nothing to stop his friars. Cannot find out that he intends to do so, but it appears by a bill of information given to Croke by Ambrose of Padua, by whom Simonetus obtained the seal and conclusion of the college of theologians, that Marinus was the means of presenting the work of Berges against the King, as well as the authorities, instructions and reasons delivered to Berges by the bishop of London on his oath, to write in confirmation of the King's cause. Encloses a copy of this information. Berges has now gone to the Emperor with hope of great promotion. He was presented to the bishop of London as a sure supporter of the King, but he slanderously divulged the cause at Rhoigo, when sent thither by Casale.

Ambrose, however, though he was much troubled for procuring the seal of the university of Padua, defended the seal faithfully. The Emperor's ambassador sent a canon regular to induce him and his fellows, by threats, prayers, or rewards, to retract their grant, or to give a new sentence upon the case that the marriage with prince Arthur was consummated, or to determine that the marriage was not separable. But to this he answered, that before, not knowing that it was a prince's cause, he was greatly troubled by the Senate for meddling; and now, as the canon named the Emperor unto him, he would not meddle without special licence of the Senate to speak freely. The Spaniard was dismissed with this answer; so that their ruffling is to the honor of the King's cause, and discomfort of his adversaries. Most of this trouble comes from the bishop of Chieti, who is very desirous that the Pope should write to him for his opinion, and has twice written to his Holiness about it. Having had no answer, "he maketh very dangerous and religious" to speak anything in favor of the King's cause. But his conscience and fear of speaking without licence do not prevent him from speaking against the cause, and from saying that it is a shame for learned men to be moved to give their opinion without the Pope's licence, secretly and in corners, as is the case now. He cannot approve of the King being named, or that in reasoning about the cause we should allege any reasons or authorities for it, or disprove any against it. This mishandling, he thinks, dishonors the King, and perverts men's judgments, and he was therefore advised by Casale to write to the King about it. As he greatly believes his own wit and reason, the bishop of London and Croke have tried to make him write his mind and reasons to the King, so that he may declare his ignorance and folly to his own shame and the King's pleasure.

Encloses a letter from James Ziegherus about Cælius Calchagninus, a man of birth, learning and authority, who wrote marvellously well against Luther's *De Libero Arbitrio.* Will not say for certain that Calchagninus will write for the King till he has spoken with him; but if he can obtain his favor, doubts not through him to get the seal and conclusion of the university of Ferrara. Fears that his necessity will cause him to give up prosecuting this success. Is more than three months behind with his diets, and without speedy help must come home begging. Reminds the King how freshly matters went forward while he had anything to help himself; and yet he never gave any one anything before having his conclusion for the King, without former prayer or promise of reward. Those who have done the King little good, and would not have done any if Croke's examples and acts had not pricked them forward, blame him for divulging the cause, which they of envy did themselves, and say that he gave money before-

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hand;—which he only did in the case of some lawyers, whose profession is to take money and be retained. Has spent in the King's cause more than 500 cr.

Delivered the King's letters to the bishop of Verona on 10 Aug. On reading them he waxed extreme pale, and said that the letters were similar to those shown to the Pope, and would do much harm to the King's cause, and perhaps irritate the Pope against himself. Could not, without great difficulty, obtain from him letters to the King, promising to keep his Highness's letters secret from the Pope.

He utterly refused on 17 Aug., in consequence of instructions he had received from Venice, to write to the Pope for the brief, or to get father Paulinus to write, or to give licence or orders to his vicar to do so, although the day before he had granted my desire to do all the above.

He said that if he were at Rome he would have no doubt of obtaining the brief, but that the emulation of his adversaries would prevail against his letters. He recounted his past troubles for meddling in the cause, and said that unless he could show his suit for the brief to be from the King's instance, he would seem more busy than needed, and incur the Pope's displeasure, considering his contrary commandment. To avoid this, he would have to show the King's letters, which would utterly set the Pope against his Highness. Asked him to write this answer to the King, mentioning his fears; but he said he neither would nor dared give the King occasion to be displeased with the Pope, and begged Croke to report his answer. He says that his vicar has written in the King's favor, but dared not let his works pass his hands without the Pope's licence. The truth is that he fears to let them pass his hands because of the Bishop's contrary commandment.

Sent copies of his and Paulinus' letters about it long ago. Was told by the vicar that his master was altogether papal; and said to him, that, seeing the Pope's indignation at those who favored the King's cause, he had better not offend the Pope, as he has many benefices. To which he answered by asking how he could be injured, as he was a lawyer and bound to counsel persons. Believes this to be true; for when Croke asked the Bishop to give leave to or command his vicar to write, and said that perhaps he cared more for the Bishop's leave than the Pope's, he asked whether the vicar had said this, and said he was not acting honestly. Said they had heard at Venice that he did not favor the King's cause; and he then suspected Aleander of having told them. Said to him that, from the suspicions he entertained of those men, he showed that he was not blameless. At this he fumed, and to shift the blame asked Croke whether, if the King ordered him to return home, he would be afraid to disobey; to which Croke assented; and the Bishop said that he likewise ought to fear disobeying the Pope, who is his prince, but he had received letters advising him not to communicate this to any one.

Could not get from him whose letters he meant, but father Paulinus told Croke that it was Casale had written thus about him, blamed his wit, and "elevated" his authority and credence with the King. The Bishop, however, replied in a manner displeasing to Casale.

This is the case in which the King's matters stand, unless a transumpt of the brief has been lately brought, by which appears the Pope's cold affection to the King's causes at Rome. Venice, 24 Aug.

Hol., pp. 10. *Add. Endd.*

Vit. B. XIII. 103. B. M.

2. Draft of the same.

Hol., pp. 6, *mutilated.*

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Records of the Reformation, I. 408.

3. The warden of the Minorites at Padua, who is the inquisitor of heresy against Galatheus, a friar of the Order, in prison at Venice, has written letters to "Bargensis ille" (Berghes), who favors the Emperor, saying that the Doge is pleased to hear that Bargensis is composing a treatise against the King, and desires him to send it to him, and the Imperial ambassador had written to the Emperor in his behalf. Bargensis said to the prior of the Servites, who told him this, that it would be no use to send it by the warden (*minister*), lest he should get the advantage of it, but he would himself take it when finished.

Lat. In Croke's hand. Endd.: Copy of father Ambrose's information. The original is [in] my hand.

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R. O.
St. P. I. 368.

6582. WOLSEY to NORFOLK.

I have received the King's letters respecting Thomas Strangwise, requesting me to make an arrangement with him. I am obliged to the King and to you for so impartial a letter, and I doubt not to make it appear that I am not indebted to Strangwise for such a sum as he demands. Notwithstanding the necessity that I am in, I have, within three days after the delivery of the King's letters, written to Cromwell to make arrangements with Strangwise; and if this fail, I will send some person sufficiently instructed to answer his demands; beseeching you to be favorable to me in this and my other causes. Southwell, 25 Aug.

Two drafts, both in Wriothesley's hand; one corrected by Wolsey. Endd.

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Strype's Mem. I. App. No. 34.

6583. WOLSEY to GARDINER.

Begs he will befriend him against a suit of Strangwish, who pretends that Wolsey owes him 700*l.* for the ward of Bowes. This was arranged when Strangwish entered Wolsey's service; but as he sees Wolsey is out of favor, he has complained to the King that Wolsey is indebted to him, and the King has written to him on the subject. Has written to Cromwell to make him reasonable offers, and begs Gardiner will interpose his good offices. Southwell, 25 Aug.

Add.

6584. THOS. STRANGWAYS to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Fears that more actions will be put in against him, and doubts not Cromwell will make all haste. Has prevented some of his creditors from entering the action by promising to pay them before he comes out of prison. Will remember the pains he takes with the first money he gets. My lord's Grace never did anything more to his honor than delivering him, his old servant, from prison.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To Master Cromweyll.

6585. SIR WILLIAM BULMER to WOLSEY.

R. O.

In obedience to his letter, writes to inform him of the circumstances of the matter between Wolsey and Thomas Strangwys for Bulmer's cousin, George Bowes, whom he bought of Wolsey. In the first place, showed Wolsey the interest that Strangwys had by the late bishop of Durham, and Wolsey ordered him to speak for himself to the Council, of which Sir William Gascoigne was treasurer, Mr. Frankeleyn, chancellor of the bishopric, and Sir Thomas Tempest, Bulmer, and others, were members. He showed nothing for himself, but an "office," found after the death of Sir Ralph Bowes; at the finding of which office George Bowes was not born. The Council therefore thought he was not entitled to George Bowes. Supposes the

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treasurer and Mr. Frankeleyn will say he would have bought him; but Wolsey gave Bulmer the preference. Wolsey agreed to give Sir Thomas Strangwys 200*l.* for his right, but Bulmer does not know how he was paid. It was agreed that he should make his release to Bulmer, who, on sight of a warrant signed by Wolsey, should pay him 100*l.* which he owed Wolsey. Never paid the money, as the warrant was not produced. Should have caused an office to be found after the birth of George Bowes. The matter was worth little more than 22*l.* At the creation of my lord of Richmond and Somerset, Strangwis told him that Wolsey had not paid him the 200*l.*, and asked him to remind his Grace, who answered that he would take such an order with him as Bulmer would not need to speak any [more]. Strangwise thought Wolsey did but drive him, and offered to sell it to Bulmer, who bought it. Thinks that if Wolsey makes any recompence, it should be to him, and not to Strangwis.

Headed: The copie of Sir William Bulmer's letter written to my lord Cardinal.

P. 1. *Endd.*

6586. WOLSEY and THOMAS STRANGWAYS.

R. O. 1. "Thomas Strangways, Esquire, desireth to have of my lord Cardinal's grace, in satisfaction of a ward given to him by my late lord of Durham, 700*l.*," as follows; viz.,—

He acknowledges himself already paid 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* by the dean of Cardinal's college, and is content to receive of the said dean another 100 marks; to accept Sir William Bulmer's obligation for 100*l.*; to take 200*l.* in ready money; and to accept a ward or wards within the bishopric of Durham to the value of 100*l.*, and a warrant to Richard Bellesys for 166*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, in full payment of the remainder.

He also desires 200 marks for the bringing up of the lady Margaret Douglas, daughter of the earl of Angus.

In Cromwell's hand, pp. 2. *Endd. On the fly leaf is written:* "T. restitutionis temporalium Abbatiæ Sancti Albani vii° die Decembr. a° R. R. H.VIII. xiii°."

R. O. 2. "Demands of Thomas Strangways, Esquire, of and for the full satisfaction to him to be made by my lord Cardinal's grace, for the ward of Bowys, which was given to the said Strangways by the late Thomas Rowthall, bishop of Duresme, and taken from him by the said lord Cardinal;" for which he claims 700*l.* recompence, as set forth in the preceding paper. For the payment of this according to the above form, Wolsey had agreed with Strangways, as Sir William Gascon and Master Cromwell can testify. Dr. Marshall, Master Arundel, and others, were also privy to the agreement. Even if he received full payment of this claim, Strangways has lost above 2,000*l.* by my said lord Cardinal as follows:—The wardship of Geo. Bowys was given him by my lord of Durham in payment of a debt of 600*l.* for eight years' service done to the Bishop without fee or reward, as Mr. Frankelyn, then chancellor, and Mr. Metcalf, then auditor, know; but he lost 1,200*l.* by that ward being taken from him; for though Wolsey sold the ward to Sir William Bulmer for 800*l.*, Bulmer sold him again to Sir William Evers for 1,900*l.*, and retained profits to the value of 1,200*l.* in his own hands. Mr. Frankelyn and Mr. Metcalf can testify that Strangways had good right to the ward by a special article in the bishop of Durham's will. Strangways was also expelled by Wolsey from a lease of the parsonage of Codyngham, made to him for nine years by the bishop of Murray, a Scotchman, who was then parson, by which he lost above 50*l.* every year; and Wolsey also compelled him to pay him 200 marks for two years' rent of the parsonage, which he had already paid to the bishop

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of Murray, on the ground that the Bishop was the King's enemy; so that his total loss on the parsonage was 580*l.* If Wolsey will deny the premises, Thomas Meryng, who was surety for the said 200 marks, will report the truth. Mr. Gostewyke also, Wolsey's comptroller, can bear witness. Wolsey also deprived him of the portership of Berwick, which he had for life, and obtained a new patent for Lyon Gray, by which Strangways lost that office for fourteen years, and 20*l.* a year with it. "And Master Gostewyke received 40*l.* in ready money, which 40*l.* was delivered to my said lord Cardinal, then being the King's almoner, for the obtaining of the foresaid office to the said Thomas Strangways, which the said Mr. Gostewyke will testify and swear upon a book if he be so commanded." Total loss on the portership, 280*l.*

Notwithstanding these losses, Strangways, trusting Wolsey would have remorse and give him compensation, entered Wolsey's service, in which he remained three years, serving two years and more as comptroller, but never received the value of a grant in reward, though he spent in his service above 400*l.* "Summa for my expences in the said four* years, besides my reward for my pain and attendance, 400*l.*" Total loss beside the wardship, 2,280*l.*

Added in Strangways' hand: "Sir yer (there) ys no thyng contenyd yn ys (this) buwyk bott Mr. Gostwyk and divers others er sene to evere artycle, and wyll testefy the same yff thay be yer to (thereto) reqweryd or commandyd."

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R. O. 3. "The copy of the award made by Sir William Gascon and Mr. Cromwell," setting forth the agreement of Wolsey to pay Strangways 700*l.* for the wardship of Bowes, as above given.

ii. "The copy of a letter sent from my Lord Chancellor, my Lord Chief Judge, Mr. Feiztarbard (Fitzherbert), and Master Schelley to my lord Cardinal, approving the validity of the agreement, and showing that Wolsey himself, since receiving the King's pardon, had written to the King that he owed Strangways 700*l.*, and that they had seen an article in Ruthal's will confirming the title which Strangways had to Bowes' wardship.

iii. The article in Ruthal's will above referred to, bequeathing to Strangways, who is called comptroller of the Bishop's house, in reward for his labor and his expense on the repairs at Awckland, the wardship and marriage of George son of Sir Ralph Bowes.

iv. Statement of further losses.—The King and many of the Council have written to the Cardinal to pay this 700*l.*, who still puts him off, even for payment of that sum, which will not recompense a third part of the wrongs he has sustained from Wolsey. Here follows the same further statement as in No. 2.

v. Strangways to the duke of Norfolk and the Lords of the Council.—Understands that Wolsey has sent them a copy of a release made by Strangways to Sir William Bulmer, of his title to the wardship of Geo. Bowes. This he was compelled to do, as it was impossible to resist Wolsey's influence; but the document itself proves the justice of his original title; and it is well known that the wardship was bequeathed to him by the Bishop in payment for his services. Is sure he would have continued to enjoy the wardship if the bishopric had not fallen into Wolsey's hands. Petitioned Wolsey for recompence when he lay at the White Hall, then called York's Place, and was desired to be content that Sir William Gascon and Mr. Cromwell should arrange matters between them; which they did, allowing 700*l.*, with the Cardinal's approval, for the wardship only; but of this he has never been able to obtain payment, the Cardinal putting him off with good words, alleging poverty, and at last sending to him his kinsman, Dr. Strangways,

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and Mr. Cromwell, Wolsey's servants, stating that he wished my Lord Chancellor, my Lord Chief Justice, and others of the judges to determine the matter. This they did, and confirmed Strangways' claim. "And sure I am, if a poor man should deny or go from his own deeds and acts, so many times proved as before said, such a poor man would nother byn taken for honest, nother true." If Wolsey cannot be compelled to pay it, hopes that he may be bound by recognizance in 3,000*l.* to abide the award of 12 or 24 substantial gentlemen, who, he has no doubt, will value his losses at least 1,000*l.* over the award made by Gascon and Cromwell. *Signed.*

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6587. [WOLSEY] to STRANGWYSHE.

Cott. App. XLVIII. 2. B. M.

Thanks him for his loving kind letter, dated at Whert . . . 24 May, saying that Wolsey's servant, Sir W. Constable, had asked Strangwishe for the delivery of Sir Raff Bygott's you[nger] son, but that he had refused till he knew Wolsey's pleasure. The King has granted the custody of Sir Raff's heir during his nonage to Wolsey, and it is only reasonable that he should have both, that, if the elder die, he might still have the benefit of his grant. Is bound in honor and conscience to have them well brought up; and, if it were not for this consideration, would be content to let Strangwishe have the younger, but as it is so, wishes him to deliver him to Constable.

Draft in Wolsey's hand, p. 1, *mutilated.*

[Aug.] **6588.** THOMAS STRANGWISE to the DUKE OF NORFOLK.

R. O. St. P. I. 368.

I beseech you to have pity on my long imprisonment, and help me to obtain a letter from the King commanding the Cardinal to pay me 700*l.* awarded me by Sir William Gascon and Cromwell. Since he had the King's pardon he wrote to the King acknowledging the said award; and this last term he wrote to my Lord Chancellor, the Chief Judge, Mr. Fitzherbert, and Mr. Shelley, desiring them to determine the cause between us. They awarded me the 700*l.*, according to a letter they sent the Cardinal, of which I forward a copy. I shall get no money unless you obtain a letter from the King to the Cardinal, "and then I know well I shall have an end made with me incontinent." My lord Hussey told me that you would assist me. If the whole sum were paid which the Cardinal owes me, it would not amount to a third of the losses I have sustained through him.

Copy in Wriothesley's hand. Add. Endd.

25 Aug. **6589.** ERASMUS to CHARLES MONTJOY.

Er. Ep. 1130.

Erasmus finds in Charles his old Mæcenas grown young again. His letter breathes all his father's benevolence. A disposition so entirely the same must give his father the greatest satisfaction; and Quirinus tells him he resembles him in features also. If the letter was his own composition, it proves Charles to be possessed of rare and excellent gifts. Among his father's great virtues there is none more exquisite than his modesty. Enlarges on the excellence of this virtue, &c., which Charles also adds to his other graces. Friburg in Brisgau, 25 Aug. 1530.

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25 Aug. **6590.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 399.

Attestation of Andrea Gritti, doge of Venice, to the determination of the university of Padua. Ducal Palace, 25 Aug. 1530.

Lat., vellum, sealed. Endd.: 25 Aug.

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26 Aug. **6591.** NIÑO to CHARLES V.
Add. MS. 28,581, f. 53. B. M.

Extracts from a letter of Rodrigo Niño, 26 Aug.

It is not true that they (the English) have gained so many votes. Those that they have obtained they got by bribery, from the least learned in the university, while the principal men, to the number of 48, have voted in favor of the Queen. Nor has the King been able to get the seal of the university to it, although the number of his votes was greater, because the others have protested. The university of Puties (Poictiers) in France have given an opinion unasked in favor of the Queen, &c.

Sp., pp. 4, *modern copy from Simancas.*

26 Aug. **6592.** NIÑO to CHARLES V.
Add. MS. 28,581, f. 55. B. M.

The bishop of London is a good deal discouraged by the refusal he has met with from the Signory. By means of a Spanish canon of the Augustinian monastery of Padua, don Pablo Torrellas, has got another canon of the same house, don Rafael de Coma, to revoke an opinion he had given against the Queen, and to write in her favor. Sends copies. Is endeavoring also to get the Dominican prior of SS. John and Paul of Venice to revoke his opinion, on which the bishop of London sets great store. His name is Master Thomas Oniven (Omnibonus). Suggests that the Emperor should give him a letter of credence for him, commending his services against the Lutherans, by which Niño might take occasion to bring him over. Letters have arrived from England, in which it is said the King makes great joy, avowedly for the liberation of the sons of Francis, but really for the determination of the doctors of Paris, which he has caused to be published by a crier in the streets of London. It is said the English murmur so much, that they have distinctly said that even if the Pope determined in favor of the divorce they will not suffer the Queen to be so insulted. This an Englishman has told me in great confidence. Has been since with the bishop of Chieti, and begged him very urgently to write to the king of England plainly what he thought about the matter, as it might be that his opinion would have some influence, because the King really loved the Queen so much that he would be very glad that one of his own servants should speak in her favor. The Bishop said he wished to study the case in order that he might communicate his opinion to the King by some of his companions, whom he would send to England for the purpose. Thinks the Emperor should write him a letter, stating that Niño had informed him how the bishop of London had sought his opinion in the case, and that he was studying it in order to reply;—that the Emperor thought the case was such that he ought to go to England and speak to the King in person, and that he could not do a better service to God than by causing the King to desist from his purpose. Hears that the bishop of London gives out that they have sent a brief from his Holiness, dated the 4th instant, authorising certain lawyers, of whom an opinion has been asked in this matter of the divorce, to give it without respect to any prince or person, according to their consciences. Has written to Mai to inquire the truth about it.
* * * Venice, 26 Aug. 1530.

Forgot to mention that he has got a copy of the act which the English obtained from the divines of Bologna,—a matter which is serious because they are subjects of the Pope. Is informed that the bishop of London will go to Bologna to see that every one of them writes in accordance with what he has said.

Sp., pp. 16, *modern copy from Simancas.*

31 Aug. **6593.** CARDINAL DE GRAMONT to MONTMORENCY.
Le Grand, III. 544.

Thanks him for getting him his congé, and for the goodwill Francis bears him through his intercession. Refers to letters of himself and Pont-

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resme to Francis. The Pope is by no means satisfied at the arrival of the duke of Albany here to have the management of the affairs of Francis. His Holiness told me frankly he was not a man with whom he could negociate, from the credulity with which he would listen to many people here, who would propose to him innumerable schemes without knowing anything of the Pope's intentions, and thus bring the Pope into suspicion with Francis. He was very anxious that I should leave before his arrival, and that meanwhile I should pray Francis in his behalf to command Pontresme not to move from here during Albany's stay. I promised to write accordingly, and have tried to persuade the Count, who, however, as an old servant of Francis, would like better to be with him than to be here in the midst of troubles, and without means to pay his expences.

Today the English ambassadors came to speak with me, pretending not to believe in my departure. Having told them of it, they asked me who was to come hither. When I told them Albany, they seemed much dissatisfied that they would have to resort to him, and could not help saying a word about it. They remained to dine with me, and I asked the knight Casal after dinner what were their objections to Albany, and whether he thought the king of England would be dissatisfied with him. He said Henry did not hate him so much as he used to do, but he thought there would be no surety in the said Duke, and mentioned that after the battle of Pavia he had been commissioned by Henry to do all he could to get possession of Albany's person. I do not myself see why Albany should not execute a still more important charge. I have some idea that he has a commission to speak about the marriage of the Pope's niece with the king of Scotland. If so, I beg you will get this part of his instructions countermanded, for I am sure that if the Pope hear of it he will never consent, and you will never have her during her life in France. Perhaps he will marry her at his own will, or that of the Emperor, if he perceive that no offer is made of one of the children of France. I think you could not do better than get her once into your hands, and afterwards dispose of her as you find would be most advantageous to Francis. This you might do by continuing the offer of one of the children. In any case, it will not be well to speak of the king of Scots until you have her in your hands.

I expect it will be 15 Sept. before I leave. By that time you will be able to have Albany and Pontresme instructed what to do. You will see why I have not communicated to the Pope the purport of Francis' letters about Ferrara. I have made such suit to the Pope, that he is resolved to break up the camp, and send every one home; and he has done so much, that, without making Cardinals, he gives orders to do this. Perhaps if we had spoken to him otherwise, and threatened him as the king of England seems going to do, he would have determined to keep up the army, and made a troop of Cardinals like sheep, which now he need not do. He proceeds to the dissolution, which I think will be accomplished in ten or twelve days, or fifteen at the utmost; for Pisa and Leghorn are in his hands, and the government of Florence, which is his only reason for keeping them, is at his pleasure.

I am frequently asked by the knight Casal to write to you about his brother. I forgot to tell you that when the duke of Milan was at Bologna he had some conversation with the Pope about a marriage with his niece. Since the death of Maximilian he has written to his ambassador here to touch on the subject again; to which the Pope has replied that he was very glad of what the Duke had said to him, but could give him no answer at that time; for though she was his niece, she was an unworthy kinswoman of Francis, without whose consent he would never marry her. The Duke replied to this that Francis had no interest in her, and that even if he were dissatisfied he could do no more than withhold the revenues he has in France, about 10,000

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or 12,000 ducats, which he did not care for, and that he will endow her to the Pope's satisfaction, either with the duchy of Milan, or otherwise. The Duke was bound to the Emperor not to marry, for one year, without his consent, but he has got the Emperor to release him from his engagement. Rome, 31 Aug.

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31 Aug. **6594.** NICHOLAS RAINCE to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 509.

Yesterday evening the Pope talked with me about the English marriage. I told him he could not do better than grant the delay desired by the English agents. He said he could not, and that he had had incredible pain in forcing the past delays from the Emperor. I tried all I could to show him it was for his honor and quiet. At last he made a sort of concession, saying that if the king of England would promise not to proceed *de facto*, viz., by the primacy of England or otherwise, during the delay, he would yet try to bring the Emperor to it for the sake of Francis; but was by no means sure he could succeed, considering how urgent the Emperor was that they should proceed at Michaelmas after the vacation. I asked if there were no means by which he could proceed of his own authority without the Emperor. He said, if the king of England's agents would approve him for judge, as reason required, he would grant not merely the four months' delay they asked for, but a year's if they liked. But they did not accept him freely, adding some remarks, which I leave you to imagine, to the effect that they did not understand their case well. Wednesday, 31 Aug. 1530.

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31 Aug. **6595.** CROKE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 412.

On 25 Aug. the bishop of London repaired to the Senate, though despairing of any other answer, because their obstinate behavior was worse than Croke had before informed the King. When the Bishop showed them their unreasonable dealing with the King, the Duke said that the stops made by the Senate were in consequence of the clamor of the bishop of Vaison, and denied that any displeasure had been done either by him or the Senate; the contrary of which every one knows to be true. The Duke, however, referred him to the ambassador Casale. At last the Duke desired them to retire, and on their return after about three quarters of an hour, promised in the name of himself and the Senate that they would not hurt or frighten any man who had or would speak or write in the King's cause, but he dared not make any utter demonstration of his promise, for respect of other princes. The comparison of this colorable grant and slender favor with their former acts and working against the King, shows that they do not wish any of their subjects to speak, write, or intermeddle for the King. Both publicly and privately they never cease to deter and alienate the King's friends. Their malignity is so printed in the minds of their subjects that he cannot see that this pretended favor and secret grant will do any good, considering that they will make no utter demonstration, without which men will not dare to write nor will believe in this grant. Assures the King that all the statements in his letter of the 25th are true, although the bishop of London has said nothing of them. Has written nothing but with his consent, and partly by his commandment.

Has spent nearly 600 cr. in the King's cause.

Has only received from Tuke 200 ducats *de largo*, and now Tuke promises him a letter of bank for 200 ducats more, saying that there are persons in Venice who will give him the money. Has not yet received the letter, and does not know where to get money. Unless the bishop of London on

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26 Aug. had lent him 200 ducats, and Edmund Harwell another 200, would have been unable to live here, or to repay Thomas Omnibonus his expences in going to Ravenna, Ancona, Treviso, and other places to gain friends for the King. In this he has been more secret, wise, and constant than any other, never having named the cause as the King's. It is high time that his Highness' fautors were comforted and encouraged with some notable reward, for the Emperor deters his opponents and confirms his friends by threats, prayers, rewards and benefices.

Had searched in vain all the libraries for the Compilations of Innocentius, before receiving the King's letter about them, but some one has promised the bishop of London to send them to him today. Considering this grant of the Senate and the Pope's brief, sees no need of communicating the King's patent, and will not do so unless he sees great advantage to come therefrom. Venice, 31 Aug.

Hol., pp. 4. *Add. Endd.*

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2. Draft of the same.

Hol., pp. 3, *mutilated.*

Aug. **6596.** FISHER'S SECOND BOOK ON THE DIVORCE.

"De causa matrimonii Ser. Regis Angliæ Liber, Johanne Roffensi episcopo auctore." Printed at Alcala (Compluti), Aug. 1530.

Inc.: "Quoties recordamur id matrimonium quo Rex." *Explicit:* "nunquam dirimi poterit dictum matrimonium."

Lat., pp. 84.

Aug. Vesp.F.III.24. B. M. **6597.** The DAUPHIN FRANCIS and his Brother HENRY to HENRY VIII.

Thank him for his letters congratulating them on their return to France, and for his exertions on their behalf.

Hope to show him their obligation, as the bishop of Bayonne will tell him. Congnac, — Aug. 1530. *Signed.*

Fr., p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

Aug. R. O. **6598.** COMMISSIONS, &c.

"This bill, made the ——* day of August, in the xxii. year of the reign of our sovereign lord king Henry the VIIIth, witnesseth that I, John Johnson, one of the four messengers of the King's Receipt, have received of Mr. Christopher [Hales], the King's attorney general, these commissions, indentures, and letters in s . . . . . delivered to such persons as they be directed unto, that is to say . . . . . one pair of indentures, and the King's letters directed to Sir Philip . . . . . Thomas Peryent, John Brokett, and John Dockwra. Item, a commi[ssion] . . . . . of indentures and the King's letters directed to Sir James Boleyn, Sir Fr[ancis] Lovell, knight, John Spilman, serjeant-at-the-law, and Fraunces Moundf[ord]. Item, a commission, one pair of indentures, and the King's letters directed to Sir Robt. Payton and Sir Thomas Elyot, Giles Alyngton, Thomas Luce, and Philip Pares. Item, a commission, one pair of indentures, [and the] King's letters directed to Sir William Askue, John Hennedge . . . . . Erbye, and Thomas Gyldon. Item, a commission, one pa[ir of indentures] and the King's letters directed to Robt. Wrothe, Roger

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Cholm[ley], Richard Hawkys, and Robt. Cheseman. Item, a commission, one pair of indentures, and the King's letters directed to Sir Rauf Dodmer, m[ayor] of the city of London, Sir John Aleyn, John Baker . . . . . Walsingham. Item, a commission, one pair of indentures, and the King's letter directed to Robt. . . . . the King's serjeant, Thomas Awdeley, Thomas Bonham, and Richard . . . . . Item, a commission, one pair of indentures, and the King's [letters] to Sir Philip Tylney, Humphrey Wingfeld, ... and Thos. Jermyn. Item, two writs directed to Philip Beding-[field], sheriff of Suffolk and Norfolk. Item, one writ directed to Antony Hansard, sheriff of the county of Cambridge. Item, six writs directed to the sheriffs of London. Item, two writs directed to the sheriff of Middlesex. In witness whereof———"

Corrected draft, p. 1, *large paper, mutilated. The latter part in Cromwell's hand.*

R. O. 2. Receipt by William Bromeley, messenger of the King's Receipt, from Chr. Hales, attorney general, of the following commissions, &c. A commission, a pair of indentures, and the King's letters, to be delivered to Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, Sir Wm. Paulet, John Scott, baron of the Exchequer, Christopher More, and Thos. Stydolf. A commission, a pair of indentures, and letters for Sir Edw. Bray, Ric. Covert, Thos. Thatcher, and John Michell. A commission, two pair of indentures, and letters to Ric. Lyster, chief baron of the Exchequer, Sir Wm. Poulet, Nicholas Tucheburn, Richard Andrewes, and Wm Hawles. Other commissions, indentures, and letters to Ric. Lyster, Sir W. Poulet, Sir Edw. Baynton, Sir John Seymer, and Bartholomew Husy, and to Sir Wm. Poulet, Sir Nicholas Wadham, Sir Richard Ware, and Wm. Porteman; and writs to Sir Edw. Gage, sheriff of Somerset, John Chamond, sheriff of Devon, Roger Copley, sheriff of Surrey and Sussex, and Lyonell Nores, sheriff of Hants.

Draft, corrected by Cromwell, p. 1.

6599. Wolsey.

R. O. Copes and vestments delivered to my lord Cardinal by Will. Elton, yeoman of the vestry. Two copes of blue cloth of gold orfreased, and running orfrease of red cloth of gold; and eight of blue bawdekyn orfreased, and running orfreased with red plain cloth of gold.

In Wriothesley's hand, p. 1. *Endd.*

6600. Grants in August 1530.

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1. The mayor, bailiffs, &c., and inhabitants of Estretford, Nottingham. Licence for two years to ask alms towards the re-edifying of their town, which has been destroyed by fire. Guildford, 27 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 Aug.—P.S.

2. Ric. Lyster, chief baron of the Exchequer. Appointment to receive recognizances of fines levied before the justices of Common Pleas, from any persons willing to make such recognizances. *Del.* Chelsea, 2 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 16.

2. Wm. Brereton, page of the Chamber, and Elizabeth his wife. Grant, in survivorship, of the manor of Longdendale, Chester, with reservations; at the annual rent of 1*d.* Guildford, 26 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 2 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 15.

4. John Brereton, clk. Presentation to the canonry in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, and the prebend of Hoxston in the same, void by the death of Wm. Beale, S.T.P., at the King's disposal by reason of the voidance of the see of London. *Del.* Chelsea, 4 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B. *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 15.

4. Robt. Ovy of London. Pardon for having, on 15 Nov. 19 Hen. VIII., in the parish of St. Andrew, near Castelbaynarde, counterfeited the coins called "crownes of the double rose," with 87 pieces of silver gilt, and for having uttered the same to certain persons unknown in the said parish and ward. Oking, 17 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p* 2, *m.* 15.

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7. Griffin Rede. Pension of 6*d.* a day as fee of the Crown in the duchy of Cornwall, on surrender of patent 22 July 9 Hen. VIII., granting the same to John Ammadas, yeoman of the Guard. Guildford, 26 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 7 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 29.

8. Thos. Goughe *alias* Gouze, of Alburbury, Salop, husbandman. Pardon for having, with Lewis Gwyn, of Alburbury, yeoman, and John Sayse, of the same, laborer, on the eve of All Saints, at Alburbury, stolen four bullocks and four marks of Mathew Smyth of Shrewsbury. Esthampstead, 5 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 8 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 16.

8. *Herefordshire*: John Skudamore, Thos. Bodman, John Arnold, and Ric. Warnecombe. Commission to make inquisition on the lands and heir of John Ruddall, serjeant-at-law. Westm., 8 Aug.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 26*d.*

8. *Norfolk*: Sir Roger Townesend and John Spilman, one of the serjeants-at-law. Commission to make inquisition on the lands and heir of Wm. Sawle and Wm. Cobbe. Westm., 8 Aug.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 26*d.*

8. *Yorkshire*: Roger Chomley, John Conyers, master of the Hospital near Northalderton, and John Sare. Commission to make inquisition on the lands and heir of Thos. Lynley of Scotherskylf. Westm. 8 Aug. —*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 26*d.*

11. Thos. Wrythesleye, clerk of the Signet. Grant in reversion of the office of bailiff of the towns or lordships of Warwyk and Snyterfeld, Warw., with custody of the warren there, and a certain ground or soil with houses thereon built in Warwick, called "le Bothe Hall," and the herbage of a pasture called "le marsshes Pakimore and Tappingclose," Warw.; all which offices, &c. were granted by patent 7 Oct. 1 Hen. VIII. to Edward Ferrys, one of the King's stewards. Esthamstede, 4 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 11 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 16.

11. Thos. Saunderson, clk. Grant of the chantry of Barnardcastell in the castle of Barnardcastell, in the bishopric of Durham, *vice* Christopher Appulby, deceased. Esthampstede, 7 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 11 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 16.

12. John Tyrell, groom of the counting-house of the Household. To be purveyor of the manor of Eltham, and bailiff of the town of Eltham, and surveyor of the woods there, *vice* John Browne; also grant of the houses and buildings without the gates of the said manor, which Edmund Graveley lately held. 11 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Hampton Court, 13 Aug.—P.S.

14. *Herefordshire*: John Skudamore, Thos. Bodman, John Arnold, and Ric. Warncombe. Commission to make inquisition on the lands of John Ruddall, sen., and John Ruddall, jun. Westm., 14 Aug.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 26*d.*

15. Alan Oliver, merchant, of Morlaix, in Britanny. Licence to import 200 tons of Tholouse woad. Windsor, 9 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Hampton Court, 15 Aug. —P.S.

17. Wm. Standly, D.D. Pardon for having, at the hands of cardinal Wolsey, accepted the living of the church of Banwell, Bath and Wells dioc. Hampton Court, 28 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 17 June.—P.S.

18. Wm. Standeley, D.D. Presentation to the parish church of St. Andrew, Banwell, Bath and Wells dioc. Hampton Court, 28 June 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 18 Aug. —P.S.

18. Wm. Blount lord Mountjoy, keeper of the Exchange in the Tower of London, and in the town of Calais, *alias* coiner of the King's monies, Robt. Amadas, deputy of lord Mountjoy, Ralph Rowlet, goldsmith, of London, deputy of Mountjoy, and Martin Bowes, goldsmith, of London, deputy of Amadas. Pardon and release. Esthampsted, 5 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 18 Aug.—P.S.

18. Mandate to Wm. lord Mountjoy, master of the Mint, in the Tower of London, and in the town of Calais, John Copynger, warden, Sir Hen. Wyat, comptroller, and Robt. Amedas and Rauf Rowlett, deputies of lord Mountjoy, and to all other officers, &c. of the said Mint, to receive all bullion brought to the Mint, and to coin the same into gold and silver monies of such proportions and sorts as heretofore has been limited by Thos. cardinal of York, and other lords of the Council. The monies are to be coined according to the standards previously appointed. Esthampstede, 5 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 18 Aug.

19. Sir Giles de Cassalis. Annuity of 200 crowns of silver. Hampton Court, 15 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. — *Del.* Chelsea, 10 Aug.—P.S.

19. Wm. Vaughan, LL.D., chaplain. Presentation to the parish church of Bugbrocke, Linc. dioc., void by death. Hampton Court, 15 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 19 Aug. —P.S.

19. John Nowell of Kenton, Devon, native of Picardy. Denization. Hampton Court, 14 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 19 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

19. Thos. Lucas. Custody of the manor of Thirlowe Magna, Suff., with wardship of his grandson Thos. s. and h. of Jasper and

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Margery Lucas, and an annuity of 20 marks out of the issues of the said manor. Chelsea, 19 Aug. 22 Hen.VIII.—S.B.

19. Martin Johnson, "strawen hat maker *alias* spliter hat maker," native of Gueldres. Denization. Hampton Court, 15 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 19 Aug.—P.S.

19. Peregrine Symond *alias* Mayhou, native of Padwaye (Padua), near Venice. Denization. Hampton Court, 15 Aug. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 19 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 16.

20. Peregrine Symond *alias* Peregrine Mayou, one of the King's sackbuts. Grant of the manor of Fedington, Glouc., and all lands, &c. in Fydington, with warrens, waters, and fisheries; at the annual rent of 40*s*. Hampton Court, 15 Aug. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 20 Aug.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

22. Ric. Hampden. To be the King's gardener in the manor of Wodestoke, Oxon, on surrender of patent 21 May 12 Hen.VIII., granting the same to John Segewyck. Oking, 13 July 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 22 Aug.—P.S.

6601. ENGLISH MERCHANTS TRADING IN SPAIN.

Vesp. C. VII. 54. B. M.

A fragment with the following heading :—

"This following is the copy, well and truly drawn out, of a privilege granted by the most excellent prince, the king of England, to the English nation, written in parchment, and sealed with a silver seal and with strings of thread of gold and silk of sundry colours, which was translated into the Castilian tongue out of the English wherein it was written, as by the said Spanish translation appeareth, the tenor whereof is that that followeth."

R. O.

2. Two attested copies of the above commission. See GRANTS, 1 Sept.

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6602. THE DIVORCE.

R. O.

A notarial attestation, apparently of certain transumpts of papal instruments, the first words of which are quoted, required by the king of England. Dated 1 Sept. 1530. *Signed:* Hie. Auditor.

Badly mutilated. Seal attached.

2 Sept.

6603. HENRY VIII. to MONTMORENCY.

MS. Bibl. Nat. 3070, f. 1.

Has heard from Sir Francis Bryan, on his return, as also from the bishop of Bayonne, the zeal he has shown in advancing the King's great cause. Thanks him for his reception of Bryan, and his services in promoting a good understanding between the two Kings. "Amptonhyll," 2 Sept. 1530.

Fr., from a transcript.

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6604. JOHN CAVALCANT.

R. O.

Warrant to the Treasurer of the Chamber to deliver to John Cavalcant and Peter Fraunces de Bardi 39 obligations by which they are bound to pay to the King 11,250*l.* at various terms from 20 Jan. 1524 to 2 Sept. 1530, in return for a single bond of the city of Florence to pay the same sum by yearly instalments of 450*l.* commencing at Christmas 1531.

Draft.

3 Sept.

6605. PAPAL REGISTERS.

R. O.

Notarial attestation at the request of Edward Carne, proctor for the king of England, of two bulls among the papal registers, the one beginning with the words *Cum olim*, and the other with the words *Inter divinas*. Rome, 3 Sept. 1530, 7 Clement VII. Signed by the bishop of Worcester as Auditor.

Seal attached; mutilated.

Add. MS. 4622, f. 123. B. M.

2. Modern copy of the preceding.

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4 Sept. **6606.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 76. B. M.

Wrote to the Emperor on the 30th, that, according to letters from France, the duke of Albany was coming to Rome to arrange with the Pope about the property of his niece, whom perhaps Albany will marry to his son. He holds a commission, however, to treat of the marriage, not for him, but for the duke of Orleans; for so Albany himself has confessed in great secresy. The English ambassadors here have complained much of his coming, believing it may damage their cause; and cardinal De Tarbe has sent despatches to France on this account: so that the Pope thinks he will not come. Mai, however, believes he will, because the king of France will be glad to have him here in case anything be done about a Council ("*a causa de lo que puede ser del Concilio*"). And the Pope will be glad of it, "*por ponernos en celos deste matrimonio, porque aunque sea hombre de bien y buen amigo de V.M., siempre le veo holgar destos contrapesos, y nunca ha sido posible poder le bien descarnar de Francia ni de Ynglaterra.*"

Sp., pp. 15, *modern copy from Simancas. In the original the passage quoted is in cipher.*

7 Sept. **6607.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 107. B. M. Records of the Reformation, I. 587.

The bishop of London [sent,] by the hands of the Prothonotary, to the ambassador at Rome, on 31 Aug., a transumpt of the determinations of Pad[ua] and Bologna, which by Stokesley and Croke "were vi[iij. days] before the coming of your most honorable letters exemplified [to the] same intent *sub fide notariorum et sigillo episcopi Laudensis.*" [To]day delivered to my lord of Lo[ndon] seventy-eight counsels and subscriptions, being all he had, besides [those nine] that the King had with the counsel of father Francis, the thirty that were burned at Vincence, and the authors of the instrument of P[adua]. Into which instrument now to g[et *contracto* put in,] he thinks almost impossible, as Stokesley has it with him. Will do the best he can. It was not this instrument which had *debere*, but a conclusion which Simonetus caused eighteen do[ctors of] divinity at Padua, not of the college, to sub-[scribe]. The conclusion is amended, and these words, *I[mmo non posse]*, added. Will order the commission directed to him so that no friar shall use it, except in case of very need, and for great advancement of the King's cause. Did not cause father Francis to write to the King against Cassalis. Never saw the contents of the letter, which was sent to him sealed. The acts of father Francis and his friends deserve much thanks, whatever has been written from Rome by his adversaries.

Cannot find Innocentius' compilation in any library at Venice. Hears that they are at Bonony; but the book has been conveyed out of the library of the Servites by the prior, who is (as all fools) the King's adversary. Hopes to obtain a sight of it by Hierom Prævidellus* and Sir Andrew Cassalis. Hopes the King "will see the Prothonotary an[d] m . . . . . what for fear of advices that they have had ou[t of] England, what for shame by the earnest handling of my lord of London, I am informed that they buckle themselves to do somewhat." If they persevere, will as gladly report their good deeds, as he had good cause to report their bad. Assures the King of his constancy and di[ligence], and begs for money, both for diets and retainance of men; the lack whereof has incredibly hindered him. Has been miserably served of money. Has laid out 600 cr., and divers times sent his account to Tuke, who ever of new demands his account of him, and considers the money he has spent on the cause still in his hands, and that, therefore, he is more fully contented of his diets.

* Probatellus, f. 109 b.

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If my lord of London and Harwel had not holpen him, must have [be]ne fain to beg. Bononye, 7 Sept.

Copy, hol., pp. 4, *mutilated.*

Vit. B. XIII. 108 b. B. M. Records of the Reformation, I. 590.

2. Draft of the same letter, slightly differing from the previous one. Several mutilations have been supplied from it. In this draft Croke states that the bishop of London has delivered to the Prothonotary 800 cr. for the preferment of the King's cause, and that he has this morning given Croke 300 cr.; "yet, considering th[e] money that I have laid out in your said . . . . causes, and the days passed, I have . . . . . by 200 . . . . . s account." Bonony, 7 Sept.

Hol., pp. 4, *mutilated.*

8 Sept. R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 418.

6608. JOHN BAPTIST PALLAVICINI to [STOKESLEY].

Today, just after breakfast, the governor sent a public messenger to fetch him, which is only done in the case of criminals, and showed him a copy of the letter he had written in the name of the college, with his own name at the foot, and expressed sorrow that so few had so lightly meddled with a serious matter. He asked for the names of the doctors of the university who assisted at the determination, and of those who live in other places. Was forced to obey him. Suspects the notary. Had no copy, and knew of none. Bologna, Nativity of Our Lady, 1530.

Was asked by the governor whether Stokesley had given him 25 cr. Replied that nothing had been given or offered. Puts his life in Stokesley's hand by telling him this.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* R^mo^ D. Joanni Electo, &c., serenissimi regis Angliæ oratori, Domino meo observandissimo. *Endd.*

9 Sept. R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 419.

6609. CROKE to HENRY VIII.

On Our Lady's Nativity, the governor of Bologna sent a common officer to friar Pallavicinus, who has singularly promoted the King's cause, and put him in great fear by ordering him to bring in the names of all the divines of the university of Bologna whom he knew, whether they were tarrying in the town, or not. As there were comparatively few at this determination, although those who dwell outside Bologna scarcely ever come to the town, he challenged Pallavicinus and other fathers, so that they were in marvellous fear. One friar, however, answered him boldly, that he had acted according to his conscience, and that his opinion was true and catholic. Has spoken with six of them, who are singularly learned, and, if the matter come to reasoning, will stand for twenty. Has spoken so roundly to the governor, that he pretended he had not done it of any evil intent. Told the bishop of London what he said to the governor. Came to him last night in post from Bologna, and wrote this letter in haste. Wrote of all other things on 7 Sept. Rhegio, 9 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

11 Sept. Add. MS. 28,581, f. 108. B. M.

6610. MAI to CHARLES V.

Was told by the Pope the other day that the English wished to prorogue the cause. Thinks he rather approved of that course himself. Mai said he had no opinion, but was commanded to go on. The Pope said they wished the affair to be remitted to a place free from suspicion. Mai said this was not in his commission; although even the Imperialists did not think Rome a place free from suspicion, were it not for his Holiness, considering the sums of money spent by the English, and that he had heard that

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cardinal Trani, who is not a lawyer nor of much authority, had been offered 10,000 ducats of rent to favor the king of England's cause. I read the Queen's letters to his Holiness, and, telling him he could not do less, gave him a memorial of that which we demand. Was referred by the Pope to St. Quatuor, with whom he had a long conversation. At last the Pope agreed to a part of their demand, saying as to the rest he would wait the coming of cardinal Ancona two days hence. The bishop of London has been recalled by the King. It is said the bishop of Bayonne, who was to have come here, has gone to England. Rome, 11 Sept. 1530.

ii. Enclosure in the above, touching the opinion given by Decio in favor of the king of England, of which he hopes to procure a copy; also touching the king of England's protest made before the marriage, which he revoked on coming of age, &c.

Sp., pp. 5, modern copy from Simancas.

11 Sept. **6611.** DR. PALLAVICINI.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 420.

Oath of Pallavicini, doctor of theology, and a Carmelite, that he never gave any copy of the determination of the university of Bologna, or in any way revealed it to the governor; that he did not know that the governor had such a copy, till he showed it to him on the day of the Nativity of the Virgin, and asked him for the names of the present and absent theologians of the university; and that he does not know by whom he got the copy. In the presence of the governor and Croke, Bologna, 11 Sept. 1530.

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Endd. by Croke:* "Pallavicinus own hand and oath afore the governor, the which the governor confirmed by his oath." *Another endorsement.*

12 Sept. **6612.** [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Vit. B. XIII. 111. B. M.

When the bishop of London left, he desired Croke to ask [Ghinucci] to send with all speed three transumpts of the Apostolic brief. [In consequence] of the Pope's illwill towards the King, all religious persons [are in such fear] that nothing can be done without the transumpts under Ghinucci's seal. Bologna, 12 Sept.

Hol., draft, p. 1, *Lat., mutilated.*

12 Sept. **6613.** CROKE to CRANMER.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 421.

Andrew de Casalis has got for the King a confirmation by the college of Bologna of their former act, and would have procured all the learned members of the university to write. The bishop of London tells Croke that Cassalis will promote it all he can, and he has given him 1,600 cr. Is glad of this, because they could not have done so much without it. Notwithstanding, there is now a great stop, for the governor knows everything that is done, and has cited every one of the friars and some of the doctors of law, as Andrew tells him, and he saw himself, when Jerome Previdellus was with the governor. This will prevent Mr. Andrew from doing so much, but Croke hopes he will do well. Asks Cranmer to solicit the bishop of Worcester earnestly for three transumpts of the brief under his seal, without which no good can be done here, as there is universal fear. Asks him to send them to him at Venice by father Francis, who is, as far as he can perceive, a sure friend of the King's cause. Bologna, 12 Sept.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.*

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12 Sept. **6614.** THE DIVORCE.

Rym.XIV.395. Notarial attestation of the oaths of the theologians of Bologna, dated 12 Sept. 1530.
Lat.

Rym.XIV.396. 2. Oaths of the notaries to the same attestation.
Lat.

12 Sept. **6615.** BULLS FROM ROME.

Harl. MS. 442, f. 109. B. M. Herbert, p. 141. Proclamation forbidding the purchasing from the court of Rome or the publishing of anything containing matter prejudicial to the realm, or to the King's intended purposes. Westm., 12 Sept.* 22 Hen. VIII.
Modern copy, pp. 2.

14 Sept. **6616.** CLAUDIUS RANGONI to SIR FRANCIS BRYAN.

R. O. Does not write often on account of the distance. Could not forbear sending a letter by his friend Guro, who is going to England. Professes willingness to serve him. Modena, 18 kal. Oct.
Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* Domino domino de Brian, uti fratri obser'mo. *Endd.*

15 Sept. **6617.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 120. B. M. The affair of Bracciano is settled more to the pleasure of the cardinal of Tarbes than the honor of the Pope, because they pardon the abbot of Farfa, and place the rock of Bracciano secretly in the power of the knight Casal, &c. * * *

The English molest the Pope continually, pressing him to declare the sentence which is to be given, in case, they say, they come to plead at Rome; and although they have undeceived them frequently, they insist upon it as if it was a right, all the while they say that Rome is not a safe place, being so near Naples. Nevertheless, they say they wish a prorogation. Believes that he must come to judgment, both because he cannot excuse it rightly, and because the counsel of Decio has given them hope that although his Holiness could dispense, the cause was not legitimate. * * *
Rome, 15 Sept. 1530.
Sp., pp. 11, *modern copy from Simancas.*

16 Sept. **6618.** THE DIVORCE.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 126. B. M. From a letter of baron dal Borgho, of 16 Sept. 1530.

On requesting the king of England to assist for his part against the Turk, he replied he did not believe the Turk was going to do such serious mischief. Reports the complaints made by the King against the Pope, which he endeavored to answer, viz., of having revoked the legates, and committed the cause to the Rota,—of the inhibition "mandata in mano della regina;" and that unless the case were committed to the archbishop of Canterbury, or to the Church of England, he was determined to go on, for he knew his Holiness had promised the Emperor to give sentence in favor of the Queen. Proposed to the King that two judges be elected by him, and two by the Queen. The King was not satisfied with this, and on Borgho proposing that his Holiness should choose a fifth, the King said if it came to that, he would prefer the fifth to be elected by the French king, who was related to the Emperor, and a friend to himself, but he could not agree that the cause should be judged out of the kingdom. This discussion was prolonged almost

* Herbert dates this proclamation the 19th.

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until night, and they were beginning to talk about other matters, when the King desired him to speak with the duke of Norfolk and Dr. Steven. On doing so, the Duke professed himself devoted to the Holy See; but said that where the King had distinctly declared his will for one thing more than another, he must support his Majesty, and that the King would never consent that the cause should be judged outside the kingdom. The King afterwards told him the same, and said he had prorogued the diet that was to take place in England on the 2nd October for 20 days longer, during which, if no answer came, he would act for himself.

On the subject of the Florentines he said he had already written in their favor. He does not wish to have an English cardinal, but recommends the Auditor and Casale. The writer thinks his Holiness should not desist from proceeding in the cause, if the King should promise not to proceed without him. The duke of Norfolk, though he did not say it in the name of the King, said he would lay his life upon it, that his Majesty would not proceed if nothing was done at Rome. "Et che questo sia secretissimo che forse si potria fare una suspension perpetuamente con disdetto de uno anno o sei mesi innanzi quum una parte non volesse stare a la suspensione." The King did not approve of the matter being remitted to the General Council. He will endeavor to arrange an interview of the King and the Emperor, and get the former to agree that the cause be committed to the Rota. He hears the King has asked that the duke of Orleans should go into Flanders under color of matrimony, &c.

Ital., pp. 5, modern copy from Simancas.

16 Sept. **6619.** CROKE to HENRY VIII.

R. O.
Records of the Reformation, I. 423.

Fourteen hours after the bishop of London departed, the governor of Bologna knew everything that he had said or done in the King's cause, and told Croke that there were only seven friars at the first determination, and five at the last. He recited certain secret arguments in favor of the Levitical law against Deuteronomy. He knew that the bishop of London had left with Sir Andrew de Cassalis and Previdellus 1,600 cr.; and also of the books and bills left with Previdellus, who also told Croke that the governor knew of this. Sir Andrew told him that the governor had a copy of the last determination, and he had himself shown Croke a copy of the first. No one had copies of the determinations or transumpts, but the notaries, Pallavicinus, Sir Andrew, Sir Gregory, Previdellus, and some of the college.

Those of the college, the notaries and Pallavicinus, swore it was not by them; and the governor swore that Pallavicinus swore true, saying that it was one of five who wrote in the King's favor that brought him the copy. The fathers and notaries thereupon swore also, and desired Croke to tell the governor that they would swear before his face, and if he would not call them to do so, to show him their subscriptions on oath. No one could tell of the money and bills left with Previdellus, but he, Sir Andrew, and Pallavicinus. The governor told Croke that Previdellus had told him of the arguments, and that he had seen Previdellus' counsel. No one knew what lawyers had written for the King, but the Cassalis and Previdellus, who is the governor'schief friend in Bologna, and heard the examination when the friars and doctors were cited. Both he and Sir Andrew blamed the notary and Pallavicinus, and said that the determination that the governor had was in the hand of the latter; but before his face, he denied it, and would have put the fault upon friar Nicolas, a learned man, and the King's faithful favorer. Could not get Sir Andrew to hear Pallavicinus' purgation. After telling Croke how the governor had cited the notaries, &c., and had been angry with him for refusing to tell what the bishop of London had done,

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he began to complain of his evil manner, calling him a subtle and false lying man, and begged Croke not to believe him if he said that it was he (Sir Andrew) who had given him the copy or any information. This made Croke desire Sir Andrew to come with him to the governor, but he would not enter his chamber. Both he and Previdellus seemed much alarmed when they heard that Pallavicinus would swear to the governor's face. Doubts not that it was they who uttered the King's secrets to the governor; partly because they had promised the bishop of London to get the determination of the whole college of lawyers at Bologna, and did not dare to attempt it, because of the Pope, they thought by craft to hinder it, and pick a thank of his Holiness; or else, finding that they could not do it, they caused the governor to do this, that they might be quit of their promise, and keep the King's money. Is not surprised at this, if what the Prothonotary said is true, that certain of the King's ambassadors advise him to hinder this matter as much as he can; which advice he has diligently followed. The bishop of London found in the Prothonotary's table an extract from the King's book, with this title, *Hæc sunt quæ adducunt opinatores veritatis*, by which extract the counsel sent by Cranmer was made. Got from the bishop of London this extract and Sir Gregory de Cassali's letter about the embezzling of the determination of England; "and how the prothonotary said to Marcus Janua, the which said to my lord of London, *Quod pœnituisset ipsum subscripsisse operi Francisci*,' the which is in your Highness's hand, '*pœnitet etiam Franciscum;*' and how he answered the Emperor's ambassador, '*Non me impacchio*,' saying unto him, '*Quando vultis jugulare inter vos illam probissimam dominam;*" and how he knew what was in the King's letters to the Pope concerning the brief and the restoration of the names burnt by the bishop of Vaison before the said letters came to Rome, which were sent in the packet to the bishop of London which was opened by Sir Andrew, Croke commits to the Bishop's report.

Fears that the 400 cr. delivered to the Prothonotary will do rather harm than good, especially as Croke neither has his full diets nor any money to retain or confirm persons. Sends by Cranmer the names of those already retained. Bologna, 16 Sept.

Hol., pp. 5. *Add.:* To the King's highness own hand. Archana. *Endd.*

Vit.B.XIII.113. B. M. 2. Draft of a portion of the same.
Hol., p. 1, *mutilated.*

6620. JOHN CASALE to FRANCIS GEORGE.

R. O. *Ital., p.* 1. *Endd. by Croke:* "The copy of the ambassador's letter to father Francis, delivered me by father Francis; by the which he would have imputed to me perfidiam suam done against the King at Vincence, Piene, and Rhodigo." *Note on the letter:* Manus Edmondi Harwel.

16 Sept. R. O. **6621.** THOMAS HENNAGE to the ABBESS OF SYON.

Asks for an answer to the King's letter bidding her give the reversion of a copyhold in Yercombe, Devon, now held by Rawlyn Larder, widow, to Robt. Hordon, of the wardrobe of robes. Hampton Court, 16 Sept.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

16 Sept. Vit. B. XIII. 111 b. B. M. **6622.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

On the reports mentioned in his other letter, made by Sir Andrew de Cassalis of the governor of Bologna, went to the governor. Told him he was the King's servant, sent with the bishop of London to ascertain the opinions of learned men in the King's cause; that he and all others had

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strict orders, upon pain of life, to use no sinister means, nor to move any one, *prece, pretio, aut spe præmii*, to favor his cause, but only to exhort them to speak according to their learnihg and conscience, as they would answer before God. Considering that the Pope by his brief had given the same charge, and that the Bishop, Croke, and all others who had meddled in the cause, were quite sure that nothing had escaped them in transgression of the brief or the King's order, he was surprised that the governor, from illwill to the King, should, contrary to the Pope's will, try to deface the truth by threatening and frightening those who had determined on the King's side. Begged him to consider what he had done, for, seeing that he was of great authority and of the Pope's counsel, it would not be thought that he would have taken upon him to meddle between the King and the Emperor, in favor of the former, except from secret knowledge of the Pope's pleasure; and Croke prayed that his act might not cause the King to doubt the Pope's faith, or cause some great break between his Holiness and the King.

To this the governor answered that he had not done it by the Pope's advice or order, nor from any illwill to the King, but to avoid the blame of negligence which he would have incurred by allowing such an open act as the determination of a whole college, within his governance. Said the determination of schools could neither advance nor "appeare" the common weal, and he knew not why "he should make such a ruffling to know . . . . . unless but to put men in fear, and to hurt your Highness' [cause; and] that I told him not that of guess but of experience. To this [he answered] that your Highness had bound him to farther† right dimisse his lawful wife and marry another against . . . . . mind and will, whom, as ye said, ye were sure that he wol . . . . . sentence in this cause; the which words ye have spoken to . . . . . that they cannot be denied, and I am glad that I may re[fer to his Holiness] for author of the same, for now need to doubt no fur[ther] that that ye have done is done as ye said, *ex officio*, that is . . . . *ex mandato pontificis, et ex odio tam pontificis quam tuo in regem*, b[ut] your displeasure the King's highness will count light of, and . . . . . as ye are but a servant, and must obey the commandment [of your] master, the King's quarrel must be against your master, th[e which] forgetting all the continual and infinite kindness of the King[s highness] toward his Holiness can be content for his goodness secrea[tly to thwart] his said Highness; and I am afraid that this unkind beha[viour] shall cause orators of the Pope not only to have less creden[ce but] to fear the worst at his Highness' hand; that if his Hig[hness take] this your act as he ought to take it, I doubt not but not [only the] Pope, but also the Church of Rome, shall have great cause to curse the time that ye were born."

At these words he trembled, asked how he could know the Pope's mind, being so far off, and offered to clear himself by summoning all with whom he had [spoken], and causing them to repeat what he had said on oath. Replied that he, as the King's servant, dared not judge the Pope's vice-legate, but he hoped that he would reverse his previous exhortation to the lawyers not to undertake the King's cause. He answered gently that it became Croke, as the agent of so [great a] prince, to hear the purgation of any whc had offended him, and he would summon the chief doctors in law of Bologna, and show them that not only he but also the Pope would be very glad for them to speak and write the best they could for the King and all others privately. Asked him, "*quid communiter et collegialiter?*" He said that they might do it *collegialiter*, if they spoke reverently of the Pope's power, which he would see them do, "and farther so that they . . . . . .

† f. 112. There is not a line lost here.

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their college without his consent and thereunto . . . . . by likelihood he would assign them b . . . . . deter . . . * * *
[fi]rste that we were now s[ure] if he intermeddled not, by reason that the chief of the college, as he right well knew, was constrained by their learning to favor our cause, that the college would absolutely determine with us. The second was, that if he were present, or any words put into their determination, whereby the same should not make so strongly for us as we looked for, or if the college did not determine that your Highness could nor would not impute that displeasure but unto him and his acts, and not alonely unto him, considering my many expostulations with him on your Highness' behalf, but unto the Pope's holiness, without whose secret comfort it could not be possible that he durst attempt or maintain so great a displeasure against so great a prince as your Highness is, and therefore I bade him to look well upon the things, for it was nothing so light as he would think; and thus I left the governor the second time." Bonony, 16 Sept.

Hol, draft, pp. 3, mutilated.

17 Sept. **6623.** CROKE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 427.

Cranmer and Croke were yesterday with the governor, and prevailed on him to perform today what he promised yesterday. He sent for the chief doctors of law in Bologna, of whom only one came, and desired him on their behalf to assemble the college, and to determine for the king of England what seemed to them in accordance with justice and truth; he wished only that the college should not be summoned unknown to him, and that honorable words should be used of the Papal power; but if such words could not be used without making the determination weaker, or injuring the King's cause, he wished them to abstain from saying anything of the kind. Assures the King that the governor would be glad to do him pleasure, without offence to the Pope. His conduct for three days in the King's cause makes Croke think that the words he before spoke were by the provocation of some other.

Dr. Gozadinus, who is retained for the King, promised to make the college determine in the speediest and best fashion that they could. Bologna, 17 Sept.

Hol., p. 1. Add. Endd.

17 Sept. **6624.** [CROKE to STOKESLEY.]

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The g[overnor told Croke] of the numbers which were at the first and second determinations, and of every word that was spoken by Stokesley, as well at dinner as . . . . . both times that he was here; what money he left for the [King's cause]; his arguments and probations for the Levitical law, and [the argu]mente he recited to Croke *de substantia Deuteronomii apud* . . . . . Could not tell what he meant, nor how he formed it, nor to what end. Asks Stokesley to send a solution, that he may answer if it is objected to him. He knew what books Stokesley had left with Prævidellus to be g[iven to] Pallavicinus. Prævidellus tells him that the governor asked . . . . . them. Sir Andrew tells him that the governor had a copy [of the] last original. Pallavicinus swore "that he se . . . . . *quondam episcopi Laudensis* of the other transumpts." Doubts not that the governor has a copy of everything. The notary, Sir [Andrew], and Prævidellus say that Pallavicinus showed them to him, and that the copy was in his hand; but, before Pallavicinus, Sir Andrew denied it. Though he had used arguments to prove to Croke that it was Pallavicinus that showed the m[atter], when Pallavicinus asked him to go with him to see his purgation [before] the governor, Sir Andrew said that the matter did not pertain [to him], and he did not doubt him. The governor has seen Previ-

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dellus' counsel, and has sent for every doc[tor] that wrote for us. No one in Bologna is so privy with the g[overnor] as Previdellus. All Lady Day he was with the governor [at] the examination of the friars, and excused to Croke the governor's . . . . . Both he and Sir Andrew are out of counten[ance, and] stagger and tremble in their tales when Croke talks with them. Dares to say that it was one or both of them that caused the gover[nor to act] as he did; for Pallavicinus has sworn, as Mr. Cranmer shall sh[ow you] of his own hand before the governor, who also put his hand upon the Gospel, and swore that Pallav[icinus had] sworn true. "And for because that the governor said to m[e] . . . . . Andrew's report the said governor had afore said to him . . . . . say that it was one of the five that wrote for us * * * to pray him that they might all come afore him and swear [a] declaration of their integrity and honesty in this behalf, that if he would not grant that (as he would not), that I should show him their hands and subscriptions." Perceives that the difficulty which the governor made, and the words which he spoke, came of another rather than of himself, viz., from Mr. Cranmer. Has so handled him that he is content to suffer the college to be assembled, and neither to be present himself nor prescribe how the college shall determine, but only desires them to show him their determination when it is made. He offered to tell this openly to the chief of the doctors in Croke's presence, and desired him to send for whom he pleased. Asked Sir Andrew de Cassalis and Previdellus who were the chief of the college? They said Godzedinus and Augustin Barow, but they could not be found at home. The governor has written to the duke of Norfolk that he will do all that he has promised. When Cassalis was told of the governor's doing, he said that letters had come from Sir Gregory at Rome;—which is untrue, "but thus they will pick thank." Cranmer says that it was written from Venice to Rome that Stokesley had marred all the King's matters there. Sir Andrew has been at Ferrara, and our matters are marred there, and no man has yet been sent thither. Pallavicinus has been going every day for a week, but has not gone. Martius Tullius came hither on Wednesday to find out when Stokesley would leave Bologna. The horse that Carre sent was marred before he came from Rome. Would have sent him a copy of his letter to the King, if he had time. The governor has in his letters named no number.

Has written to the King about the Prothonotary's words to Stokesley concerning the contents of his Majesty's letters to the Pope, and his words to Marcus Janua ". . . . . tet etiam Franciscum. And also of his words spoken, that some of [the King's amba]ssators bade him to let this his matter, as of his *Non me*" * * * Professes his faithfulness to him. Bo[logna], 17 Sept.

Hol., draft, mutilated, pp. 3.

17 Sept. **6625.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Sentence of the university of Toulouse touching the same. Toulouse,
Rym. XIV. 397. 17 Sept. 1530.

Lat., vellum.

18 Sept. **6626.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. The cardinal of Ancona, when he complained of the Pope's delay in the
St. P. VII. 251. King's cause, told him privately, begging him not to divulge it, that though the Pope would not prevail upon our adversaries to abandon the cause, yet if they were to proceed to give sentence by contumacy, it would be a year, or even two, before they could arrive at it. I thought this not very likely, because the Pope was so desirous to gratify the Emperor he would not lose

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a day. But the Cardinal assured me, whatever speed they made in the process, the sentence would be put off, as the Holy See never did anything in a hurry, and reasons would be given to the Imperialists why it should not be passed; moreover he had never known a cause in which more doubt existed, and the Pope could never give sentence until the matter had been thoroughly discussed, else he was liable to be called to a Council. I answered that the King could not prove his opinion better than by showing those of learned men throughout Christendom; and as to the cause being doubtful, it was to be feared the benefit of the doubt would be given to the Emperor on account of the affair with the duke of Ferrara. The Cardinal said, as to my first remark, the Imperialists also might get opinions of universities; and as to the second, before sentence was passed, the Pope would be free from all these private influences.

Cardinal Trani, on receipt of the King's letters, desired leave of the Pope to write, but the Pope said it was not right that he should offer an opinion. Trani now writes to your Majesty, and has requested me to ask your pardon for him. Rome, 18 Sept. 1530. *Signed.*

Lat. Add. Endd.

18 Sept. R. O. Herbert, p. 140.

6627. SIR GREGORY CASALE to HENRY VIII.

A few days since the Pope secretly proposed to me the following condition;—that your Majesty might be allowed to have two wives. I told him I could not undertake to make any such proposition, because I did not know whether it would satisfy your Majesty's conscience. I made this answer because I know that the Imperialists have this in view, and are urging it; but why I know not. Though I told the Pope I would not speak of it, I deemed it necessary to bring it to your Majesty's notice. I find the cardinal of Ancona's friendship of use in these matters. Rome, 18 Sept. 1530. *Signed.*

Lat., p. 1. *Add. Endd. by Wriothesley.*

19 Sept. Add. MS. 28,581, f. 129. B. M.

6628. THE DIVORCE.

Opinion of the university of Salamanca concerning the divorce of the king and queen of England.

Narrates the facts of the case, proves that marriages of affinity are not contrary to the divine law, and answers objections to the validity of the papal dispensation. Salamanca, 1530, 19 Sept.

Lat., pp. 18. *Endd. Modern copy.*

21 Sept. Add. MS. 28,581, f. 139. B. M.

6629. THE DIVORCE.

Notarial instrument made by Didacus Lupi de Fuentelisaz, attesting that the rector and doctors of the university of Alcala have unanimously determined on five propositions concerning marriages of affinity favorable to the part of the queen of England.

Signed by Egidius, the rector, and 20 others. In the college of the university of Alcala, 21 Sept. 1530.

Lat., pp. 2, *modern copy.*

22 Sept. R. O.

6630. H. EARL OF NORTHUMBERLAND to THOMAS ARRUNDELL.

Warrant to take the sum of 100*l.* of his woodfalls in his manors of Somerset and Dorset, for the daughter and heir of Spilman, granted him by the King, reserving out of the said revenues the money owing to Wm. Buttry and Gryssillyng. Likyngfeld, 12 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Signed and sealed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

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22 Sept. **6631**. THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Notarial attestation of the determination of the theological faculty of

Rym. XIV. 400. Padua, dated 22 Sept. 1530.

Lat., vellum. Add.: Episcopo Londinensi.

22 Sept. **6632**. THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Notarial attestation that on the 1st July preceding the university of Pavia unanimously resolved that a marriage with the relict of a brother without children was null, and that the Pope could not dispense with it. Two certificates of notaries attached, dated 22 Sept. 1530.

Lat., vellum. Endd.

23 Sept. **6633**. STOKESLEY to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Your letters of the 16 Aug. were delivered to me at Venice on the

St. P. VII. 253. 29th, when both Croke and the prothonotary De Casalis were at Padua. On my writing, Croke returned to me on Wednesday the 30th; but the Prothonotary, "because of the honoring of the commencement of his great friend," Stampa, could not come till Thursday, the 1st inst. Was thus forced to tarry so long in Venice, but came to Bologna on Saturday; where, as the two famous doctors, Beroo and Gozadinus, were absent, he remained till the 7th. Meanwhile, in consequence of slanderous rumors spread at Padua by a Spanish canon sent by the Emperor's ambassadors, "I renewed the first determination of the theologians there, in the presence of the notary of that faculty and of other credible witnesses." I also conferred with those doctors of law that were at home, and had promised to defend your cause; but only one, Dr. Hieronymus Prevatillus, had performed his writing. Dr. Ochi excused himself by business in pursuing the murderers of his brother. Dr. Ja. de Fastenninis, who was reader to Dr. Benet, said he had not finished his study of the question *de indispensabilitate;* though, on the other two parts, viz., *de jure Dominico et insufficientia causæ*, and in the question *de integritate*, he had come to the same conclusion with others. Dr. Hieronymus has no doubt he will in the end agree on all points. All have promised to give in their opinions by the end of September to Sir Andrea de Casali or to Sir Gregory if he return thither, so that your counsel may have them at Rome by the beginning of next month, and your Grace by the end thereof. That of Hieronymo should be already at Rome, according to the arrangement Stokesley made at Bologna, with two authentic copies of the determinations of Bologna and Padua, and two others that I got at Venice to send to the ambassadors at Rome, though none of them has written to me a word since Guron's arrival there on the 20th Aug.

These five doctors are the best in Italy, and they have no doubt of getting the rest of that university to subscribe. One of the body, De Pinu, has at our request shown us an opinion of his own. He and others promise to do their best, and there is no fear of our success, unless Gambara, the governor of Bologna, interfere; of whom I wrote at Whitsuntide, and who on Our Lady day last, viz., the day after I left Bologna, "made a shameful ruffle with some of the theologians for their determinations," as your Highness will see by a letter of Mr. Croke and one of Dr. Pallavicinus sent herewith. As to Venice and Padua, I trust you are by this time informed by my letter and Croke's and by your ambassadors there.

There is little hope of getting a new "collegial determination" at Padua, but we have devised a way to obtain from the best part of them a confirmation of their first decision with a more perfect declaration of what the King desires. Has left this to Croke. At the first impetration thereof showed Leonicus and Symoneta the original of Bologna, desiring that there might be

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the same in substance, though the preface might be made more eloquent. Afterwards sent Croke to Padua with the original of Bologna for the same purpose; but he, trusting to Symoneta, never desired to see the form of their determination, till father Ambrosius brought it to him ready sealed and subscribed. When I saw it I sent Croke back to get some things reformed, but the Emperor's ambassador, hearing of it, caused father Ambrosius to be called before the Duke, and put him in fear to meddle.

The three lawyers at Padua retained for the King had no instructions at Midsummer, but, being instructed by me in the end of July, promised to study therefor. They had not made up their minds when I left Venice. Petrus Paulus Perusius, the chief of them, has given me some hope that he will decide in our favor; the other two wait for him. Has left money with the ambassador at Venice for their rewards. The theologians of Bologna are so well affected to the King they will take no reward, "sed quod a Spiritu Sancto gratis acceperunt, gratis et libenter impertiunt." Services promised by friars Baptista Pallavicinus, Franciscus de Cremona, and Bartolomeus, a Grey Friar of Venice. Friar Pallavicinus declined money for his costs. Friar Sancte Pagnino was told by the bishop of Faventia, when he passed through Lyons to congratulate Francis in the Pope's name on the liberation of his children, that the Pope wished him to come to Rome;—perhaps for the same cause as he sent for friar Francis Georgius. Hears the Emperor and the French king are to meet soon after his descent into Flanders.

In going over Mount Agabellet on Sunday, met the duke of Albany going with threescore horse to fetch his niece from Florence, to be married in France, as is pretended. Sends the original instruments of Bologna and Padua with the new ratification of the former. Would have sent them before but for the strict search of couriers made by the governor of Aste, who lately stopped 10,000 crowns sent from here to Sienna. This courier should be at Calais on Monday night. Will depart homewards myself tomorrow. Lyons, 23 Sept. *Signed.*

Add. Endd.

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Add. MS. 28,581, f. 140. B. M.

6634. CHARLES V. to MICER MIGUEL MAI, his Ambassador in Rome.

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"There is no doubt that the English will try all means in the cause of the queen of England to carry out what they have begun. He is to pay the greatest attention to this subject, and continually to report what is going on. Rodrigo Niño will have informed him of what the bishop of London has done in Venice in order to obtain opinions in favor of the king of England. He has gone to Bologna, with the intention to procure there also similar opinions; and it is stated that he has, in fact, already obtained some.

"That is not right. At least in a city which belongs to the Pope such things should not be allowed. Has ordered that representations be made to the Legate, and asks him to speak with the Pope on this subject. Rodrigo Niño writes that the Pope has given a very strong brief concerning these opinions. Does not believe it. If such a brief had been given, he (Mai) would have mentioned it. Whatever may be the case, he is to employ the greatest diligence in this affair. * * * Augsburg, 23 Sept. 1530.

"P.S.—The religious question takes an unfavorable turn. Some persons are negotiating with the Lutherans, hoping to persuade them to abandon their errors. Does not believe that they will succeed." * * *

Abstract by Mr. Bergenroth of a draft in Spanish, pp. 12, written by the Secretary Idiaquez.

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6635. EXTRACTS from LETTERS of MAI.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 395. B. M.

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The Pope informed me as to the matter of England, he understood that the father of the lady, and the others, had repented of what they had offered to give in writing; and that their intention is to sue for justice, because he believes that these men are unsteady (*que estos blandearan*), and that the Emperor [entertains] them with good words, as he always does. * * *

ii. From a letter of Mai's secretary.

The brief has been obtained to prevent the King marrying *pendente lite*. It has been affixed in the chancery of St. Peter's and secretly in St. Petronius, and has been sent to Madame for publication in the Low Countries.

A copy has been sent to the Queen and to the ambassador of (in ?) England, who have been directed to send hither an information in case process have to be made. Meanwhile these lawyers here are studying what they have sent from thence. * * *

Sp., pp. 8, *modern copy from Simancas.*

24 Sept. **6636.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Rym. XIV. 397.

Opinion of the university of Ferrara against the legality of the marriage with a deceased brother's wife. Ferrara, 24 Sept. 1530, 7 Clement VII.

Lat., vellum, copy. Endd. by Croke.

25 Sept. **6637.** STOKESLEY to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 259.

Alexander, the courier, on his journey to Rome, met here tonight with Francis Piemont going to England. The latter brought me a letter from Benet, who says he wrote to me on the 22nd, enclosing a letter from you. I have not received them. Benet speaks of the insufficiency of the transumpts that I sent him from Venice, for lack of ordinary power in the bishop of Loode, who put his seal to them. But there was no ordinary that durst meddle with your cause; therefore at Bologna I prepared two new [transumpts?] to be sent to Rome under the vicar of Bologna's seal, before Gambara made this ruffling with divines and lawyers; which to reform, Sir Gregory, on my writing to him from Regia, now comes down with a mandate from the Pope himself. His Holiness is discontented with the governor on account of it. When I was last at Bologna, Gambara inquired of Sir Andrea de Casalis about all my motions, and reported them to the Emperor. Doubts not Sir Andrea has reported to the King all that he has written to Stokesley of the Pope's study and opinion as to the prohibition being divine, of the invalidity of the two decretals, *Cum olim* and *Inter divinas*†, of the lack of the books of Wiclef, and of the counsels of Decius and Picolominus. Francis Georgius has not recovered of his sickness, and has lost one eye, and is likely to lose the other. Sir Andrea no longer suspects him, as the Pope, he thinks, has been brought by him to agree to that first point. To the second, *De Indispensabilitate*, he believes they will never assent; and to the third, *De Insufficientia causæ in Bulla sive Brevi expressæ*, they will have few contradictors.

The duke of Bourbon's son is to marry one of the French king's daughters, and be restored to this country of the Bourbonese. St. Germain's in Bourbonese, 25 Sept. *Signed.*

Hopes to be at Calais in three weeks.

Add. Sealed. Endd. by Wyat.

† Misread "dominicas" in St. P.

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27 Sept. **6638.** CLEMENT VII. to the ENGLISH NOBILITY.

R. O. Herbert, p. 144.

Has received their letter of 13 July. Acknowledges the merits of the King as stated by them. So far from denying the King's justice, has been thought too partial to him. When the cause was first laid before him three years ago, submitted the determination of it to Wolsey and Campeggio; but as the Queen suspected them of partiality and appealed to Rome, could not refuse her request. No proctor has as yet appeared on the King's behalf, and therefore any delay in the determination of the cause should not be ascribed to the Pope. Besides, the King's ambassadors at Bologna solicited this delay, and therefore their complaints are groundless. Criticises their remarks about the universities, and justifies the papal proceedings in respect of the marriage. Whatever the Pope's obligations to the King, must proceed according to justice. As to the deluge of calamities apprehended by them, thinks that it would be much greater if he neglected his duty, and departed from the rules of justice. As to their menace that unless their request is granted, they will be left to take the care of themselves into their own hands, and seek the remedy elsewhere, protests that this is a resolution unworthy of them, and is not sanctioned by the King. Has always shown the greatest desire to comply with the King's requests, when it could be done consistently with justice. Rome, 27 Sept. 1530.

Lat., vellum. Sealed. Add.: Venerabilibus fratribus, archiepiscopis et episcopis, ac dilectis filiis, abbatibus, nobilibusque viris, ducibus, marchionibus, comitibus, baronibus, militibus, ac doctoribus parlamenti regni Angliæ.

28 Sept. **6639.** [CROKE to STOKESLEY.]

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Tarried at Ferrara upon the . . . . . of Pallavicinus, from 18 to 24 Sept. As he did not come, tried to obtain the seal of the college. Had spoken at first to Francis de Marona, but could obtain nothing from him [till the] 23rd. He said he could do nothing till the return of the doctor Hierome; that he was not of our opinion, and would not follow Stokesley's form, but devised one himself: to [which] Croke added some things "by entreance of him," and was fain to give [him] . . . . . crowns. He then said it could no[t be done] but with licence of the vicar-general of cardinal Salviatis† . . . . bishop of Ferrara and chancellor of the university. Accordingly gave the vicar money, and the college and all other doctors of divinity in Ferrara were assembled, and the instrument published and made; which Croke sends to the King. Pallavicinus has not come yet. Tarries here for the se . . . . . the lawyers, who are more than 30. Tr[usts] to obtain them by Cœlius, whom Croke has marvellously converted to his old pro . . . . . the opinion that card. Campegius, by Florianus and other, had . . . . . in." All Ferrara was full of [Croke's] coming before he came, and therefore the lawyers ask 200 cr. for their determination, seal and counsel. Has more than half a promise from . . . . . to write for us, unless his feeble health prevent him. * * *

After Cranmer and Croke had obtained leave from the governor to bid Gozadinus assemble the college and determine, "and if he could not use no reverent words of the Pope's power, but to detriment of the King's cause, that he should cause the college in any wise to leave out such words," was assured by Gozadinus that the governor was very faithful to the King, and exhorted him to promote the cause. Gozadinus told him that in eight days he would assemble the college, and he therefore went to Hierom and Sir Andrew. The latter, however, had been told by Mr. Cranmer, and "full gently gat him out of town." Hierom was not glad of the tidings, and excused Sir Andrew's departure, a wench having fallen sick of the sickness in his house;

† "Silviatis" in MS.

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but a few days before they both told him that their wives had gone into the country for the same reason; but when he wished to leave the house, they restrained him, and said it was not so. Friar Vincentius had delivered to Cœlius at Ferrara, before Croke's coming, all the books which Croke had given him,—a dangerous thing, as Cœlius was somewhat alienated. Expostulated with the friar, who asked if he thought Gregory or Andrew wished to promote this cause, saying he knew many things, but could not speak of them. He was vexed with Gregory for having sent him to friar Fanto, our utter enemy, which Gregory knew well enough.

Hopes Stokesley has not causelessly mistrusted him (Croke), and trusted others, to the King's hindrance. "I would not have thought that by me these words could have come out of your mouth, *videte ut quam possitis maxime causam promoveatis, ne hic nebulo habeat quod conqueratur apud regem.*" Will so order himself that Stokesley will have no cause to think he has said well. Hopes by his good demeanor to make him sorry for his suspicions and sinister judgments. Lacks money, and does not know where to get any. Stokesley's horse is worse every day. Has kept him a month, and had a smith to see him daily. [Would] have sold him, but the smith nor no man else [would give] . . . . . ducats for him. Asks him to aid him, for [he has] great need as well of the said 20 ducats as of [more]. Ferrara, 28 Se[pt.]

Gave 5 cr. amongst the friars at Bologna.

Hol., draft, pp. 2, mutilated.

28 Sept. Vesp. C. VII. 57 b. B. M.

6640. ENGLISH MERCHANTS IN SPAIN.

Confirmation by Charles V. of the patent of Henry VIII. to the English merchants in Andaluzia, dated Westm., 1 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. Valladolid, 28 Sept. 1530.

English translation, pp. 3.

29 Sept. R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 438.

6641. CROKE to HENRY VIII.

Obtained the determination of Ferrara in good and sure form, and by means of Cœlius Calchagninus attempted the college of lawyers, 72 in number. Would have had that night a counsel for the King, sealed and signed by all, and a determination under the seal of the college, if he could have laid down 150 cr. Not having this sum, tried to make them take a less price, and feigned the case to be his own. Meantime the notary asked his servant in his name for the instrument to put thereto his legality. On returning home, showed his displeasure at this to the notary's servant, who said that if it had not been given up, it would have been forcibly taken away. Sent afterwards to the notary, who asked pardon, as he had done it by orders of the Duke's factor, who bade him go with soldiers and take it by force if Croke would not give it up. Went to the factor, who said the friars themselves showed him of this matter, naming Vincentius Placentinus, a Black friar. This friar showed Croke divers books of the King, which he said were given to him by the bishop of London; but Croke now has discovered that Sir Gregory gave him the book, and sent him round Italy, and he is not likely to have done the King any good. When called to this counsel, he said that his chapter had prohibited speaking of the Pope's power. Pallavicinus, however, made him confess that if it had been so, as it was not, it could not have restrained his good will. He hinted at the danger of speaking of the Pope's power, so that he almost marred everything, and, when the act of Bologna was alleged, said that there were very few there, and those scant learned. Notwithstanding, in Croke's presence, he determined upon the instrument of which

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the copy is enclosed, sealed by the vicar-general, who is deputy to the card. De Salviatis, chancellor of the university.

Paid the vicar and college for their assemblance. The factor commanded the friars to say that they did not consent to the instrument, and some of them bade the notary return it. Could not get the factor to order the notary to deliver the instrument to him, although he had paid for it. Besides, he had so handled the doctors of law, that although Croke offered 100 cr. instead of from 20 to 60, as before, they answered that they would give no counsel but by consent of both parties, the King and the Queen. Had never mentioned the name of either. Florianus, Campeggio's secretary, resides in Ferrara, never ceases to slander the King's cause, and is great with the factor. Is ashamed of the false dealing of the Italians. Finds great difficulty in consequence of the many friars opposed to the King, who know his arguments, and of the many copies of the King's book and others in his favor.

Encloses a letter from Thomas Omnibonus, who does not sleep. Ferrara, 29 Sept.

ii. Copy of the determination of the university of Ferrara, 24 Sept. 1530.

Pp. 3, *in Croke's hand. Endd. by Croke:* "The copy of Mr. Crokes lettres, written from Ferrare and Venice unto the Kinges highnes. The copy of the determinatio theologorum Ferrariensium." *Endd. by Wriothesley:* "The copy of Mr. Crookes letters to the Kinges majesty from Venice and Ferrarie. The copy of a determination theologorum Ferrariensium quod frater relictam fratris sui non potest ducere et quod episcopus Romanus in hoc casu non habet ullam auctoritatem dispensandi."

Vit. B. XIII. 119. B. M.

2. Draft of the above letter.
Hol., pp. 2.

R. O.

6642. THOMAS OMNIBONUS, Prior of the Convent of SS. John and Paul, Venice, to [HENRY VIII.]

Promised in previous letters to undertake his cause. Has obtained 32 subscriptions. On the 3rd inst., the Imperial ambassador came to him and told him that it was not the part of a religious man to take up a dangerous and scandalous matter, and showed that he knew the whole of Omnibonus' letter to the King. He said that it would be better for Omnibonus to agree with the canonists and theologians, whose opinions were opposite to his; spoke of the wars which a divorce would create, the Queen's blameless life, and the marriage of K. Emmanuel; told him that the matter was committed to six cardinals by the Pope, who would never displease the Emperor, and advised him to take care of his own safety and honor. Replied that he was consulted on a matrimonial case by an Englishman, whom he took to be a German, and gave him an opinion, knowing nothing about the King or Queen,—which, as a professor of theology, he was bound to do; had not changed his opinion, but was not so addicted to it that he would not change it in deference to Scripture; if the Queen was holy, she would prefer the safety of her soul to earthly gain; had taken enough care for his own safety, if he spoke the truth.

The general of their Order has forbidden them to speak of the Pope's authority. Paul de Casalis tells him that he (the general) has sent a copy of his writings to the Pope, and that the Imperial ambassador wishes the Pope to cite him. Asks the King's assistance, to deliver him from these straits.

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29 Sept. **6643.** [CROKE] to CRANMER.

Vit. B. XIII. 118. B. M.

Had obtained the dete[rmination] of the college of divines at Ferrara, and was [promised] to have that of the lawyers, but had no money to [pay] what they asked. Tells him how the factor took away the instrument from him, and the saying of the Black Friar about Gregory de Cassalis, who, he says, gives one order publicly, and another privately. "Notwithstanding this Friar said in . . . . . when the determination of Bologna was showed that h[e thinketh] that there were few learned men in the college, and he wol . . . . . but said *os suum* was *clausum*, and that *periculosa* [*quæstio*] *ista de potestate pontificis;* by the which words if Fran[ciscus de] Cremona had not been, whom Sir Gregory had mou[ed] . . . . for the King, and Sir Andrew also. But for all that . . . . . and made him the King's surely, first by persuasion, by r[eason] afterward by reward. But I cannot tell how these m[atters] were handled, but the governor knew of [my] coming . . . . or I came, and had given commandment to the prior o[f the Black] Friars if there were any determination made, not den[ying that] he knew more. And farther, when I had the instrum[ent, he bade the] notary to get it out of my hand by some craft, [and if] I would not deliver it to take some of the soldiers bei[ng] . . . and to take it from me by strength, he had also the p . . . . that they did not consent to the same, and forbade the d[octors of] law to determine. And when I spake to him to comman[d the] notary to deliver the instrument, and to suffer . . . . lawyers to be at liberty, he made me answer that [he would] nother let me ne proferre the cause, nor he would . . . . . *te* notary to deliver the instrument, but said, *Nolo* [*me impachiare*]. And this is the good that cometh to the King [of such friars]. And Sir Andrew, as soon as ye were gone, got hy[m away] because he would solicit no man in the King's [cause]." 29 Sept.

The Prothonotary has done no good. The chief doctors of Padua, as Parrisius and Curtius, now will not counsel under 100 angelots. Cranmer will see by the letter that Parrisius favors our cause, and that the let comes from the Prothonotary alone.

Draft, hol., pp. 2, mutilated.

29 Sept. **6644.** [CROKE to STOKESLEY.]

Vit. B. XIII. 116. B. M.

[Supposes] Cranmer has told him what pranks were played on him (Stokesley) at Bologna, and that he would not have had a determination that would have availed the King, unless Croke had spoken to the gov[ernor]. Gives an account of his interview with Gozadinus and Sir Andrew's absence, as in the letter to Stokesley, 28 Sept. On 17 Sept., Pallavicinus was [here] and then departed to Novellaria, promising Croke to [be at] Ferrara on Tuesday next. Went to Ferrara on S . . . . . of Sept., and stayed till Saturday follo[wing, but did not] hear of Pallavicinus. Franciscus de Cre-[mona] * * * determination of Ferrara under these words devised . . . . . him. At this determination there were five of the college and four others, one being Vicentius Placentinus to whom Stokesley took certain books, as *Consilium Hieronymi, Chrysostomi de Cassalis*† and Basil's epistles, with other things, to go about Italy and procure friends; and who says that he caused Rhomanus to translate Basil's epistle to Stokesley, and is a little learned in Greek. He went to the factor, said that he did not consent to the deed, and caused him to summon the others, and charge them to deny that it was their deed. Being told that the instrument was in Croke's possession, and passed publicly before the Chancellor and witnesses, the factor sent the notary in Croke's name to his servant during his absence, to say

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that Croke ordered him to deliver it to him, to get the legality of the notary. Was displeased, and sent for it again; but the notary said the factor had ordered him to retain it, and if it had not been given him, he had orders to take soldiers, and get it by force. Went today to Cœlius, who had obtained a promise from the college of lawyers, 62 in number, that if Croke would deposit 150 cr. they would give their determination and make a substantial counsel in the King's cause. Was told by him that the factor had commanded them to say that they would give no counsel but with the consent of the King, the Queen, and the Emperor. Has asked the factor to return the instrument, but he denies everything, saying "*Non volo me impachiare.*" This is the good that [comes of] Stokesley trusting such friars as these. Cœ[lius says] that Florianus, Campegius' secretary, has also set [himself to] hurt and hinder the matter all that he can. This friar confessed that he was sent to Friar F . . . . . [by Sir] Gregory, who is the King's utter enemy. Pallavicinus says that he now came from Mantua, the 29th . . . . . month. Doubts sore of a[ll that be]long to Cassalis. The Black Friar Vicentius asked him if he thought Gregory wished this matter to proceed, and stopped saying he knew much but . . . . . His horse is past recovery, and now will not stir a foot. [No one] here will give a ducat for him. Ferrara, 29 [Sept.]

After writing this, Augustin de Philibertis was sent hither by the Prothonotary, and lodged with Vincent, his kins[man] Dominico . . . . . The friar Augustin had lett[ers and] divers books for Croke and others in Ferrara; but when Croke went to him, he said he had none, having delivered them to Francis [de] Cremona; but he also had nothing but a letter of credence from the Prothonotary for Augustine. Augustine "told him that . . . . . the instrument of Ferrare came from Venice by the Emperor's ambass[ador, and] that the said ambassador, peradventure, had written to the factor . . . . . of Ferrara of such things as had been done in Venice . . . . . and bade him beware lest any such thing were practised . . . . . But the governor told me that the friars them self procur[ed an order] for the let of the instrument. Alas, my Lord, that he w . . . . . Cassalis with anything that I would and practised in . . . . . cause." He has made a consultation in the King's causes, and for fear of let by the resort of any of our persons, "had also advised the Prothonotary to come in any of the said places." As for books, he said the Prothonotary had only delivered him the bare case, with no money, nor anything else. He said that Curta will not counsel under 100 angelotts. He has been to persuade Hanibal and friar Thomas to say that what they had done was by his suit, and neither Croke's nor Stokesley's. This is their goodness touching the King's causes. It does not become him to rehearse the railing of him and his servants against Stkoesley, and their boast that they sent him back his 10 cr. Vincent was before Whitsuntide sent about by Sir Gregory, from whom he had these books, one of which Croke now has, a book lacking the beginning and end, and entitled in Stokesley's hand, *Contra Wykefflystas Rationes Nicolai.* These two were written by Perceval, Mr. Fox's servant. He had also written in the hands of Nicholas, Sir Gregory's servant, and of the Prothonotary's servant, Basil's epistle, in Stokesley's translation, Chrysostom's reasons against objections to his work, a collection of authorities for our part, St. Gregory's epistle, "Raphael werke," and almost all Crucinus' counsel, marked *Consilium fratris Thomæ Omniboni cum sex subscriptionibus*, which no one had from Croke, except Stokesley and Cranmer, and which Hierom Previdellus, by Stokesley's order, saw. Matters at Padua are all marred. If Stokesley will not believe him, he will believe the copy of Parrisius' letter sent to Hannibal, who is going to Rome, and will be one of the Rota. Hannibal has written as Stokesley wished. The letter will show what the Prothonotary has done at Padua. The vicar of the bishop of Verona has gone to . . . . . Has no money. Has delivered

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[to fri]ar Thomaso 25 cr., and to friar Ambrose as many as Stokesley ordered * * *

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29 Sept. **6645.** IPSWICH COLLEGE.

R. O. Account of William Capon, S.T.P., late dean, of moneys received and expended by him from Michaelmas 21 to 22 Hen. VIII.

Lat., pp. 9.

29 Sept. **6646.** The KING'S HOUSEHOLD.

R. O. "Desperate tales" (tallies) which could not be levied for the King's household on the town of Warwick, the manors of Woodstock and Evington, Leic. Mich. 22 Hen. VIII.

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29 Sept. **6647.** THOMAS FENYS LORD DACRE.

R. O. Value of all his manors and possessions, Mich. 22 Hen. VIII., in Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Sussex, Kent, &c.

ii. Jointure of Ann his wife.

iii. Names and value of manors, &c., appointed for his last will. *Ditto*, for his two younger sons, John and Thomas Fenys.

iv. Annuities.

v. Legacies and funeral charges.

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29 Sept. **6648.** The MINT.

R. O. "Answer and account of Robert Amades, Ralph Rowlet, and Martin Bowes to the demands of lord Mountjoy for the office of the Mint," from Mich. 18 to Mich. 22 Hen. VIII. Lord Mountjoy had claimed of them the coinage of gold and silver in those four years as amounting to 2,965*l.* 12*s.* 8¼*d.*

A long roll of paper.

6649. COINAGE.

Lansd. MS. 4, f. 209. B. M. "A dockett of the hole coynage of gold and sylver within . . . from the feast of St. Mychell tharchangell when the newe . . . . . in the 18th yere of the reigne of the King abovesaid . . . . . in the 22nd yere of the same King, that is to saye, by the space [of four] yeres, with the receyts of money for the same coynage as hereafter ens[ueth]."

Coined in the said 4 years, 7,016 lb. 4 oz. 1 dwt. Troy of crowne gold, at 19*d.* the lb., 555*l.* 9*s.* 2¼*d.*; 115,688 lb. 3½ oz. Troy of silver, at 5*d.* the lb., 2,410*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* Total, 2,965*l.* 12*s.* 8¼*d.*; whereof Robt. Amadas, Rauffe Rowlet, and Martyne Bowes, deputies to lord Mountjoye, demand for coals, 348*l.* 7*s.*; for melting gold sysell, 59*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*; blanching gold, at 20*s.* the cwt., 73*l.* 19*s.* To the coiners of gold, ½ dwt. every journey, 64*l.* 14*s.* Melting silver sysell, at 4*d.* a lb., 434*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Blanching silver, 6*s.* 8*d.* the cwt., 338*l.* 6*s.* To the coiners, ¾ oz. every cwt. brocage, 130*l.* 15*s.* Coining irons and melting pots, 234*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.* Eger gold, 30*l.* Making assayes and charges at the Star Chamber, 8*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Perfect fine silver for assays, 6*l.* 18*s.* Aquafortis, 8*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.* Wages of Clunde and two other men, 23*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Books, pen, ink, and paper, 36*s.* 4*d.* Lead, 7*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* Coppells, 15*l.* 15*s.* New assay balances and mending balances, 13*s.* 2*d.* Assay glasses, 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Argyll, 36*l.* 2*s.* Burras, sulphur, and mercury, 10*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* Ric. Hugden and others, for helping to melt, 15*l.* Reward to

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them that took pain by night, 6*s.* 8*d.* To the porter, 6*s.* Charges of the jury that was pannelled, 9*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* The priest's duty, 52*s.* 4*d.* The clerk's wages, 16*s.* Holy bread, 2*s.* 4*d.* Charges of the procession in Gang week, 19*s.* On St. Nicholas' night, 3*s.* New tubs, and mending tubs, 38*s.* 8*d.* Shovels, baskets, and trays, 6*l.* 4*s.* New pans, irons, locks, tongs, shears, and ingots, 3*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.* Copper for alloy, 10*s.* Copper pans and furnaces, 3*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* Testys blowing, ashes blowing, fining of the sweep, and cementing, 5*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* Tallow candles, 22*l.* 7*s.* Oil for ingots, 5*l.* 5*s.* Sponges for blanching, 2*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* Making small pots, 14*l.* Laborers beating at the stock, 5*s.* Meat and drinks, 32*l.* 8*s.* Canvas to hang before the coiners' windows, 24*s.* 8*d.* Brick, lime, and mason's work, 16*s.* 4*d.* Total, 2,168*l.* 5*s.* 2*d.*

They also demand for their pains the first four years, at 100 mks. a year, 266*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Allowance for the waste of the first melting of groats into small ingots, beside the 4*d.* of every lb. weight of silver had of the merchant, 180*l.* Money given to lord Mountjoy for the said space of eight years, 250*l.* Their losses in the last four years by receiving counterfeit groats, of tin, lead, copper, and silvered iron (they have a peck of such iron plates to show), 80*l.* Greynes had at divers meltings, 80*l.* Total demands, 4,212*l.* 8*s.*

Received, 3,428*l.* 0*s.* 10¼*d.*; so that lord Mountjoy owes his deputies 784*l.* 7*s.* 1¾*d.*

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6650. Priory of Pré.

Computus of Th. Maidwell, from Mich. 21 Hen. VIII. to Mich. following.

ii. Computus of Th. Symonds for the priory of Reddbourne.

iii. Of Th. Maidwell for Pré, from Mich. 20 Hen. VIII. to the Mich. following.

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6651. Cardinal's College, Oxford.

Arrears due to the monastic possessions appropriated to Wolsey's college, for the year ended Mich. 22 Hen. VIII.

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6652. Prophecies.

Examination of William Harlokke, 30 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII., in the Tower of London, before Sir Edmund Walsingham and Sir John Daunce.

Acknowledges his former confession to be true. Had lived with Dr. Austyn, "a doctor of physic and astronomer," who died at Colchester in 13 Hen. VIII. Had of him "a kalendre of profysye wherein there were pictures of kings and lords armes," which he showed to one Byrte of White Staunton, Somst. Part of its contents Byrte interpreted as deponent has already explained. He also said by the pictures in the same there should be a great battle of priests, but did not say at what time. Showed the kalendar to Byrte in Easter week was twelvemonth, when he said there should be, three years following the year 1530, much trouble and business, but when, he could not tell. It was reported in Somersetshire that he had a kalendar of prophecy, and Sir Nich. Wadham threatened to punish him if he used it any more; on which he promised to burn it, but did not. Showed it a year ago to Richard Loweth, a goldsmith at Taunton, telling him that part was of the dreadful dragon; when the latter said his book showed the same, and that the dragon should land with the bare-legged hens. Loweth explained the dreadful dragon

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to be the earl of Desmond, and the lion gentle, the king of Scots. He said that at Sandyngford haven should land a courteous knight and pitch his banner in a stone on the right hand, when a blue boar should give him battle till they do sweat and foam. He also showed him many prophecies written in Welsh in a black book.

One John Barbour, dwelling in Norwich beside the Mayden Hedde, has a book of prophecies, which he read to this deponent in presence of Sir William, chaplain to Mr. Halse, Roger Coper, and one Robert, a worsted weaver, who married a widow in Norwich. On deponent saying afterwards to Sir William that it was a marvellous book, the latter said he could tell him of one that surpassed it, but he must keep it secret. "And thanne the said Sir William said, I have redde in a boke of profycie of Mr. Hals that alle profycyes that ben past I have found them true, and that by that boke, for my hedd, the kinges Grace shuld not [leve]* obteigne above thre yere. These words were spoken two years past come All Saints' day; and after the said Sir William had accusyd thys deponent for dyggynge for money, then thys deponent accusyd the said Sir William of hys profycyinge unto Henry Fuller, and one Cranke, then beinge shryfes of Norwiche; and the same shrefes herynge the mater, askyd the said Sir William, why dyd ye speke suche wordes? Then the said Sir William denyed not the wordes, but that he spake them to thys deponent to th'entent to know whether he had any bokes of profycie or not. And thene the said Henry Fuller said, Thys ys but a tryffyllinge mater to come before the Kinge."

"Item, this deponent saith that [one Thomas Larke, of Myldenale in Suffolk, came to the Tabberd in Suthwerke to Sir William Larke†], Richard Jones and one Lloid, of Appysham in Devonshyre, shewyd them that the Whytte Lyon in the yere of our Lorde God MDXXXJ. shuld kylle a kinge in Englond, whiche said Sir William Larke supposyd to be the kinge of Denmarke. And more the seyd deponent cannot call to his remembrance."

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30 Sept. **6653.** HENRY VIII. to MONTMORENCY.

MS. Bibl. Nat. 3019, f. 1.

In behalf of Thos. Pourpoint, merchant of London, in his long suit for compensation for eighteen balls of pepper taken from him in the port of Guernsey by pirates of St. Malo, nine years ago. He is now too ill to prosecute his claims himself. Hampton Court, 30 Sept. 1530.

Fr., from a transcript.

6654. GRANTS in SEPTEMBER 1530.

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1. Licence to the King's subjects trading in Spain and Andelazia (Andalusia), who desire to associate for mutual relief and redress of grievances in those parts, and for the support of a chapel newly built at "Saynt Lucars de Barowmeda," to the honor of God and St. George the Martyr (as reported by Wm. Pepwell and others), to assemble once a year, or oftener if need be, when a competent number of them shall be in those parts, within the cities of Cyvyle and Cales (Seville and Cadiz), or the town of St. Lucars de Barowmede, or "Seynte Mary Porte," and by the advice and consent of the merchants dwelling in London, and of two merchants of Bristowe (Bristol), and two of Southampton frequenting those parts, elect a councillor or councillors from among themselves, removable at their pleasure, and with such remuneration as they shall think necessary. And the said councillor or councillors and fellowship may elect 12 ancient and expert persons to be their assistants; the said councillor and assistants to have full power to levy such

* The word *leve* is erased, and *obteigne above* interlined.
† These words are crossed out.

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imposts as shall be thought necessary, and to make ordinances for their welfare, &c. Ampthill, 20 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 2.

2. Ric. Ratclyff, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Northlufnam, Rutland, Linc. dioc., void by the promotion of John Stokysley, clk., to the bishopric of London. Hampton Court, 24 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 2 Sept. (*sic.*)—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

17. Owen Falou, of Aryn, in Ireland, *alias* of London, *alias* of Westminster, clk., *alias* chaplain. Pardon for offences against the currency, and for his escape from prison in the Tower of London. Ampthill, 2 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 17 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 17.

20. Anthony Weldon. Presentation to the free chapel of Dorchester, Dorset, *vice* John Holden, deceased. Ampthill, 1 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 20 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

20. Sir Edward Seymour, squire of the Body. Annuity of 50 marks. Waltham, 12 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 20 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

20. Antony Anthony, one of the grooms of the Chamber. Licence to export 200 tuns of beer. Hertford Castle, 4 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 20 Sept.—P.S.

22. Ric. Harpham, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Springthorp, Linc. dioc., void by death. Waltham, 20 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 22 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

23. John Lysen. To be one of the King's arras makers, with 6*d.* a day; granted by patent 12 Jan. 20 Hen. VIII. to Thomas Garton, page of the Wardrobe of Beds. Waltham, 18 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 23 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 5.

27. John Knyght, gentleman usher of the Chamber. To be receiver of the possessions of Sir Wm. Compton, deceased, in cos. Devon, Wilts, Dorset, Somers., Glouc., Worc., Staff., Derby, Leic., Warw., Northt., Oxon, Bucks, Beds, Kent, Essex, Midd., Norf., and York, or elsewhere in England, during the minority of Peter Compton, s. and h. of the said Wm., with 30*l.* a year. Hampton Court, 24 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 27 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

27. Wm. Brown. To be bailiff of the manors of Brokborowe, Regemount, Crowley, Northwod, Wandon, Wekyngton, Walton, Bowbrykhyll, Bragnam, and Paddyngton, Beds., Bucks, and Northt., with 53*s.* 4*d.* a year. Hampton Court, 24 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 27 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

28. Cuthbert Hardcastell, chaplain. Presentation to the parish church of Stansted, Norw. dioc., void by death. Hampton Court, 23 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 28 Sept.—P.S.

28. Winchester College, Oxford. Inspeximus and confirmation to the warden and scholars of patent 26 July 8 Ric. II., being a mortmain licence to the said college. Chelsea, 28 Sept.—*Pat. 22 Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

30. Sir Ric. Sacheverell, Roger Radclyf, John Chamber, dean of St. Stephen's college in Westminster Palace, and Roger Lupton, provost of Eton College, clks. Presentation to the next vacant canonry and prebend in the collegiate chapel of St. Stephen, in Westminster Palace. Waltham, 17 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 30 Sept.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

6655. THE DIVORCE.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 199. B. M.

"Memorial de algunas cartas que se habian de escribir a differentes personas sobre el matrimonio de la reyna de Inglaterra."

The points (*apuntamientos*) to be written to Micer Mai are as follows: 1. That in the original agreement of the king of England (Henry VII.) with the King Catholic about the marriage of Henry with Katharine, are two or three passages declaring that the marriage with Arthur was consummated, although this is not affirmed in the dispensation. Sends by the first courier a copy of the brief of pope Julius to the king of England upon the dispensation for the second marriage.

The documents which it is now important to produce in the Queen's behalf, and send to Rome, are as follows: 1. The agreement for the second marriage, confirmed by the Kings Catholic, 24 Sept. 1503, ("*paso ante Almazan*,") at Saragossa. 2. A treaty of the Kings Catholic for peace, and the first marriage, anno '99, with an instruction apart (secretaries Hernan d'Alvarez and Colonna)—at Valencia.

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The documents to be presented by virtue of the *compulsoriales* are the following: 1. The second capitulation between the Kings Catholic and Henry VII. upon the marriage of Henry. 2. The power given by the Kings Catholic to Hernan Duque to demand the 100,000 cr. from the king of England, and to let him (her ?) come to Spain to the Queen *con su familia.* To search for letters of the ambassador in which he wrote that [the King] does not wish to let her [return], nor to restore her property; and letters of the King himself upon the same subject.

A letter signed by Henry VIII. acknowledging the receipt of 500,000 cr. for the dower of the second marriage, sealed. A bond given by certain Genoese to pay Henry VIII. 45,000 cr. of the same dower. A copy of another letter, signed by a notary, of the payment of 100,000 cr. of the first marriage. An account of the expenditure of 200,000 cr. of the first marriage. This Doctor Beltran took to get authenticated by the notaries. A letter of the King Catholic to the said Doctor ought to be presented, because he says in it that he will have a greater war than against the Turk. The letter of Henry VIII. after his marriage, stating that he was well satisfied, and of his coronation anno 1509. Two letters from Henry VII. respiting payment of the dowry, in which he says that he has forborne to accept some other proposal of marriage, with more money. Also the letter written by the king of England to pope Alexander upon the dispensation for the second marriage, dated 28 Nov. 1504.

There ought also to be presented the letter which Dr. Beltran has, signed by the King Catholic, which he delivered to the archbishop of Toledo.

Sp., pp. 4, *modern copy from the archives at Simancas.*

1 Oct. **6656.** CROKE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, I. 443.

After his last letters from Ferrara, Augustin de Philibertis came to Ferrara, sent by the Prothonotary to friar Francis de Cremona, with letters of credence, but containing nothing else, which Croke saw. He lodged with Vincentius, his cousin, who came to Croke, and told him that Augustine had books and letters for him from the Prothonotary. Sent his servant for them, but Augustine said he had none for Croke, but only for Francis de Cremona, to whom he had delivered them. Asked Francis to be allowed to see them; but he also replied that he had none, and added that he did not wish to cause hatred between Croke and others; that he thought he had heard from Augustine that this hindrance came from the Imperial ambassador at Venice, who, perhaps, wrote to the Duke's factor to tell him what had been done at Venice, and bid him beware that the like was not done at Ferrara. Augustine afterwards came to Croke's inn to see him. Hopes he does not wish to hinder the cause at Cremona, Mantua, Milan, and Pavia; which places, he says, the Prothonotary has committed to him. He advised Croke, and said he had also advised the Prothonotary, "that for making of bruit by the let of his person, that neither of us should come into any of the said places." He said that he already had made a consultation in favor of the King's cause; that he had no books from the Prothonotary, but the bare case; and he complained he had had no money from him. Bade him not doubt that the Prothonotary would reward him well. He said also that Curta, of Padua, would not now counsel in the King's cause without 100 angelots. "The said Curtius" first promised to counsel for 50 cr., and afterwards not for less than 100; now he will not for less than 150.

This is the diligence of Cassalis, who, Croke hears, has entreated friar Thomas Omnibonus and Doctor Hannibal to say that they were retained by him. Sends a copy of a letter of Parisius, given him by Dr. Hannibal, who is to be one of the Rota at Rome. He is retained by the Prothonotary; and

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the "let" at the college of Padua, of which he is one of the chief, comes through him. The Prothonotary today denied that Philibertis had advised him not to go to Mantua, &c. Fears the matter will be spoiled there before he goes. Could not get the Prothonotary to give him a letter of credence to any one in any of these places. Will go thither, and also to Padua, to see what he can do. Venice, 1 Oct.

"Rationes contra Wickelyffistas, the end and beginning lacking. Rationes Nicolai.—Perceval's hand.

"Authoritates pro parte nostra.—Responsio Chrysostomi de Cassalls ad librum contra rationes suas. Epistola Gregorii. Epistola Innocentii. Epistola Basilii. Marci Rhaphaelis opus. Crucini opus,—tota videlicet prima pars cum inscriptione ista. Opus fratris Omniboni cum sex subscriptionibus. Omnia hæc, partly of Nicolas, Sir Gregory's servant's hand, partly of Francis', the Prothonotary's servant's hand."

Pp. 3, hol. Add. Endd.

R. O. 2. Copy of the same by Croke. *P.* 1.

Vit. B. XIII. 120. B. M. 3. Draft of the same by Croke.

1 Oct. **6657.** THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Notarial copy of an attestation by Franciscus Catulus, clerk, of Brescia, of an extract from an old book of papal registers, in the possession of Dr. Thomas de Ploveteciis, Pysaurensis, touching the validity of a marriage with a deceased brother's wife. In the house of John Baptist Casale at Venice. Saturday, 1 Oct. 1530.

Lat., vellum, defaced.

1 Oct. **6658.** ANNE SEYNTLEGER and MARGARET BOLEYN, Widows.

P. S. Livery of lands in Ireland as daughters and heirs of Thomas earl of Ormond, deceased. Hampton Court, 24 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 1 Oct.

Pat. 22 Hen. VIII. p. 2, m. 8.

R. O. 2. Original patent of the preceding.

2 Oct. **6659.** [——— to ———.]

Vit. B. XIII. 87 b. B. M. As the beast, whom his correspondent knows, takes no account of his duty, nor of his own nor the King's honor, having no fear of deceiving or imposing on any one, I suggest that, for revenge, you should write to me, begging for the remainder of the money, mentioning my promises and your deserts, which were the chief cause of gaining friends for the King at Padua, and of the Paduan instrument, which the King highly values. You must also praise Simonetus, saying that Ambrose would have done nothing without him; and, without abuse of the Bishop, bewail his shabbiness. I will attest everything to the King from the relations of others. You must write to me two letters; one copy I will show to the man himself, and thus compel him to perform his promises, not without interest. If he does not do so soon, will take care that the King reads the other letter. The consequences will be more than perhaps you hoped. You may be sure that I will do what I can, either by myself or through friends. Venice, 2 Oct.

Lat. In Croke's hand.

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2 Oct. **6660.** QUEEN KATHARINE to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 76. B. M.

In behalf of a doctor of law, a subject of the Emperor, native of Barcelona, who came to England with card. Campeggio. He was more than thirty years an officer in the Rota of Rome, and lost everything when the Spaniards entered the city. Windsor, 2 Oct.

Sp., pp. 2.

2 Oct. **6661.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 204. B. M.

Wrote on the 15th Sept., and sent a copy of the memorial which he gave, on the part of Messer Andrea and himself, to the Pope, as proctors for the queen of England. Noted in the margin the answer which was given to the three articles, for execution of which two letters are despatched from hence, one to the nuncio in France, to obtain possession of the book, and the other to the nuncio in England, to inform himself on two points, viz., touching the subornation and threats used for obtaining the seals in England, and whether the Queen had been known by her first husband. Advises the Emperor to write him a letter commending his devotion to himself, and recommending to him the Queen's interests. As to the other four articles, for which, as he wrote, he and Ancona and St. Quatuor waited in the Pope's presence, has written in the margin of the copy now sent, that which has been agreed about each, viz., that the universities which pronounced against the Queen should be written to to give a reason for what they have done,—that they should be lawfully convoked, and every one called upon to justify his vote, on whichever side it was given, and that no university should give an opinion in this matter without being informed from here. Has been promised a brief that the King and the lady he loves should separate, but they wish it to be notified to the King's ambassadors. The English ambassadors have presented to the Pope a very disgraceful letter from the kingdom, of which I have obtained a copy very secretly. An answer, they say, will be made from here, such as it merits. More than a month ago, the English ambassadors pressed the Pope to tell them that which he is to declare (*lo que ha de declarar*), which I believe he has hitherto refused, as the English complain of him. They have since asked for a delay of 15 days after entering the holidays, which the Pope has refused to grant without my consent; and although I have often refused, they have called me, with Ancona, to try and persuade me to it. Gives an account of the conference. The English insist on two reasons why the Pope should dissolve this marriage without legal process;—first, in order, as set forth in the letter, that the kingdom may not be without an heir male; and, secondly, on account of the protest which they say the King made, by virtue of which he considers himself not bound before God, and that he is in mortal sin, from which the Pope ought to release him. This course has been advised by Decio. Arguments against it.

Mentions that this year one of the Jews at Rome has been obliged to take the widow of his brother, who had died without children,—a thing which is not only not prohibited, but actually enjoined by their law. Complains of not having sufficient instructions either from Castile or England.

The English press for the cardinal's hat for the auditor of the Chamber. The Pope complicates the matter, saying that he has commissioned his nuncio, the baron Del Burgo, to write if the king of England require it of him; which he will not only do, but send another ambassador for the very purpose. Fears the Pope will comply in this case as in that of Tarbes. The English and French both complain that Scalenga took from them all their letters at Aste. Believes it is not true. The king of England has written to Gregory Casal that it has been said he has not used due diligence,—which the King does not believe,—and he commits the matter to his care, with great thanks.

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Casal is on the alert (*algo vivo*), and has written a long and discreet letter in answer. * * * Rome, 2 Oct. 1530.
Sp., pp. 9, *modern copy from the archives at Simancas.*

2 Oct. Add. MS. 28,581, f. 215. B. M.

6662. MAI to the EMPRESS.

The English divorce cause has been prosecuted since the holidays ended. The Pope and others have importuned me to prorogue it for some days, but this I have persistently refused, having been deceived by them three or four times already, and having no order from the Emperor, &c. Expects documents touching the cause, which the Emperor informs him he has requested the Empress to forward to Rome. * * *
Rome, 2 Oct. 1530.
Sp., pp. 3, *modern copy from the archives at Simancas.*

4 Oct. R. O.

6663. W. CAPON to WOLSEY.

Since my last we have had commandment from the King, by my lord of Norfolk, to dissolve the college. On the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lady, I paid the singing men and the choristers, with all their necessary apparel, as I trust shall stand with your honor. The subdean then repaired to court, to learn the King's pleasure what order should be taken for the college, and who should remain. He was told by my lord of Norfolk that the King's pleasure was that I, the subdean, schoolmaster, usher, and six grammar children should remain until we had further knowledge of the King's pleasure, and give an account of such receipts of the revenues of the college as were due at the Annunciation of Our Lady last past. On 19 Sept. the commission sat at Woodbridge, in Suffolk, to find offices on all our lands, &c., Sir Philip Tylney, Humphrey Wingfyld, Thomas Rushe, and Thomas Jermyn, and gave verdict that by reason of the *præmunire* committed by your Grace, as they allege, all our lands were forfeited to the King. My payments for the college exceed the receipts by 100*l.*, by which I was compelled to pawn my plate. After this, I left Ipswich two days before Michaelmas, and so came to Jesus College. I intend to be at London at the beginning of term, and to learn the King's pleasure as to the College. Cambridge, 4 Oct. *Signed.*
Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.*

4 Oct. R. O.

6664. CARDINAL WOLSEY.

Inquisition taken at Aylesbury, Bucks, 4 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII., on the lands held by Wolsey on the 28 Aug. or 2 Dec. 15 Hen. VIII.
Lat., copy, pp. 11, *large paper.*

5 Oct. Fr. Archives.

6665. HENRY VIII. to FRANCIS I.

Credence for Sir Francis Bryan, now sent to be resident with Francis, in place of John Wellysbourn, gentleman of the Chamber, who has leave to return. Hampton Court, 5 Oct. 1530.
Fr. From a transcript.

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2. The same to Montmorency.
To the same effect. Hampton Court, 5 Oct. 1530.
Fr. From a transcript.

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3. The same to the cardinal of Sens, chancellor of France.
To the same effect. Hampton Court, 5 Oct. 1530.
Fr., modern copy, p. 1.

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7 Oct. **6666.** WILLIAM TRESHAM to WOLSEY.

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On the 4th I wrote to you of all the news I had respecting your colleges. On the 6th Mr. Beatts and I were with the Chancellor (More) at Chelsea, and delivered him your letters. "He entertained us very gentilly, but *supersedeas* we could not obtain, for he said the King's council had sent him word to the contrary." He advised us to make labor with the King. Accordingly we returned to Hampton Court, where I delivered your letters to Mr. Norris and Dr. Butts. I learned that the Council have determined that the site of your college shall be found by office. On the 7th I delivered your letters to the King, which he kept. Those of the college he delivered to Mr. Fitzwilliam. As it was very late and dark, I did not think fit to break the matter till next day. I sent Mr. Dean to come up with all speed to bring up the letters of the university, urging the King to mercy, and also to bring the patent for Mr. Norris. I trust he will help in this great need. If not, he only slenderly does his duty. I fear no *supersedeas* will be granted, and the college will be taken from your Grace, to its no little hindrance. As touching the land and impropriations, they will escheat to the King. I exhort your Grace to patience.

"Pone metum, perfer, si sint contraria fata,
Cum tibi sit clipeus præsidiumque Deus."

Kingston, 7 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

7 Oct. **6667.** HENRY VIII. to GHINUCCI, BENET, and CASALE.

R. O.

St. P. VII. 261.

Received, 30 Sept., their joint and several letters, dated Rome, the 17th, showing that their efforts with the Pope in the King's behalf had been fruitless. Wishes they had not refrained from alleging the custom of England that no one should be compelled to go to law out of the kingdom. This is a privilege, grounded on solid reasons, which their hired advocates at Rome will not admit; but the Pope cannot well call it in question, else it may be inquired in turn why the bishop of the Roman Church should have supremacy over all other churches, or why he should thus treat a King who acknowledges no superior on earth. Why should Henry be compelled to try a cause at Rome, which concerns not only his own conscience but the succession to his kingdom? The only answer that can be returned is, that princes have sometimes allowed it in the past, but Henry believes very few have done so; and that is no argument for the future. At Rome the case may be viewed differently; but the King, who is supreme in his own kingdom, can interdict to all inferiors the power of appeal. They must, therefore, put these considerations strongly before the Pope, and continue to press him for an answer to the King's demands; for he and Francis act together, and ask only what is just. As the Pope has acknowledged our marriage to be prohibited by Divine law, his first care, as God's vicar, ought to be to vindicate that law.

The university of Padua has come to a determination that the things of God are not committed to the Pope, but only matters of human jurisdiction; and it is most extraordinary that when the Pope acknowledges that Divine law warrants the King in departing from his marriage, he should still delay the remedy. It is not possible that the Queen could obtain as many opinions in her favor as the King has, without appealing to the Lutherans; nor can the Emperor's influence or the Pope's favor counterpoise the opinions given.

If none of these arguments have any effect, you shall request the Pope not to proceed in the matter at Rome before the end of January; but this you must do in your own name, not in ours, suggesting what he himself proposed, and what you also think expedient, viz., that both sides should abstain meanwhile from proceeding either at Rome or in England, so that in

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the interval the privileges both of the King and of the Pope may be examined. If the Pope, however, make a difficulty about granting this without a similar assurance on Henry's part, they may give it in Henry's name.

After you have obtained the prorogation of our cause, you shall present our letters and those of the French king, not failing to inculcate on the Pope that our marriage is prohibited both by Divine and by natural law; which two laws, in our case, you must by no means allow to be disjoined. We wonder, though you have been so diligent in other things, you have not taken counsel hitherto with learned men what we should do in the last resort, in declining the Pope's judgment, or what we should allege or propose to stave it off. See what you can do now to this effect. We wonder also that you accepted so short a time, viz., to the middle of this month, to have an answer from us whether we wished the cause further prorogued, with a promise on the King's part not to proceed in England; but what is done cannot be corrected.

You are to thank Decius Senensis for his opinion, which, so far as it concerns our cause, is very satisfactory; but what he adds as to the interpretation of Divine right by the canonists was foreign to his undertaking (*res a professione aliena*); for Divine law does not receive its interpretation from the canons, but gives it to them. You must mention this to Decius, and get him to give you his opinion without the latter part. You must keep the French cardinals friendly. We send letters for cardinal Trani, which you shall deliver. Hampton Court, 7 Oct. 1530. *Signed at the head.*

Lat. Add. Endd.

7 Oct. **6668.** GARAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 219. B. M.

Has not seen Mons. de Noi[r]carme, but if he do, will endeavor to accomplish the Emperor's commands.

Since he wrote some days ago, the King has given order that all the acts done in our faculty, "gelos llevasen; y puesto que . . . . . por hazerlo secreto fue avisado y quiso Dios que alle en correger todo el caso que de otra suerte iba todo perdido ally estaba la contension en favor del rey de Inglaterra, el numero de doctores que favorescen a la Reina, mi opposicion, la apelacion con el nombre de los que apelaron, todo signado de nuestro bedel, avise en la hora al embaxador para que travajase de aver la escriptura o otro tanto autorizado, porque asi lo avia prometido a Mons. Duprat y Guillem de Barres, pero hasta agora ne se a hecho nada como mi escrive el embaxador."†

Gives an account of a conference he had with the president of the Parliament upon the case. * * * Paris, 7 Oct. 1530.

Sp., pp. 5, modern copy from the archives of Simancas.

8 Oct. **6669.** [CROKE] to CRANMER.

Vit. B. XIII. 121. B. M.

Has spoken with Pandulphus Cinami, who says that [the letter of] bank for 40 ducats for Christopher Kingston has been returned to Antony Bonvice, as Kingston is dead. If Cranmer is executor, he must get a

† "And although . . . . . to do it in secret, I was advised and it pleased God that I corrected the whole case, which in the other event would have been entirely lost, there was the contention in favor of the king of England, the number of doctors who favored the Queen, my opposition, the appeal, with the number of those who appealed, all signed by our beadle, I advised immediately the ambassador that he should labour to obtain the *escriptura* or another equal authority, because I had thus promised it to Mons. Duprat and Guillaume des Barres, but to the present hour nothing has been done, as the ambassador wrote to me." The passage is exceedingly obscure, especially from the want of punctuation in the original.

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declaration to that effect, and appoint a proxy to receive the money. Hears that the books are worth much money. But for Cassalis and the friar whom he sent, would have had a determination from the lawyers at Ferrara for money, "the which also . . . . . thank be to my lord of London, to the loss of 72 seals of [doctors of] the law unto the King."

The Bishop commanded friar Ambrose, to whom Croke had committed the correction of the instrument, to return it to Cassalis, and he made Cassalis privy to what Croke had compassed at Ferrara, caused a friar to be sent thither to pick away Croke's thanks, or else to enlessen . . . . . and injure the King's cause. Besides he would not give a halfpenny to [doctors] and friars gained by Croke, whose subscriptions Cranmer copied when he went to Rome; nor would he leave money with Croke for them. He told [the] Cassalis that Croke had complained of them, and exhorted them they should [set forth the King's cause all] they could, saying, *ne hic nebulo ansam habeat c[onquerendi] adversum vos.*

Begs him to procure some promotion or some . . . . . for . . . . . Thomas and good friar Francis, who is sore sick at Rome, and also for Simonetus. These three are daily assailed with foul means by the Emperor's ambassador, who tells them they shall have other reward than a few crowns, and layeth for ex[ample] . . . . . and Berges, to whom the Emperor has given a promotion of more than 600 cr. Can do no more, if men see no fruit of their labors. Asks him to inform my lord . . . . . or the King, else all will be lost. "Leonicus got us Simonetus a . . . . . Ambrosius, and hath promised so highly that ye would wonder . . . . . ye see nothing at all performed his promise; that men g . . . . . of us all in a manner for his sake. The halting horse . . . . . ever since stand at * * * letters unto the King, I bought and caused certain books of Greek to be [writ]ten out for him." Paid for a chariot to carry his gear, for his men's meat and drink from Ferrara to Bologna, and many times for his boat, and this is the thanks he gives. Asks Cranmer what he says of him to the King. The last time he wrote to Cranmer, sent a letter to the King, with a copy of the instrument of Ferrara, and of other letters to the King and Cranmer. Desires him to ask my lord of Wiltshire and lady Boleyn to move the King to send him money and the authority of an ambassador; which, if he had, he could have recovered the instrument. Offers to be hanged, drawn and quartered, if, with this power, he does not quickly bring the King's purpose to pass in Italy. Does not ask for it from ambition, but to avoid the hindrance which Cassalis causes by lessening his credence. If he has not this power, wishes that Cassalis was ordered to meddle with no man without his consent.

Raphael, not friar Francis' man, but the canon of Padua, has written against the King. Had his counsel, and returned it by Stokesley's order, though he had said that if he had it again, he would write against the King. Stokesley has conspired with Cassalis that he may live with him for nothing. He has ordered the friars whom Croke retained to deal with Cassalis and not with him. There was offered to him today, 8 Oct., Raphael's counsel for the King and for the Emperor, in which he says that he composed the counsel for the King merely as an exercise of ingenuity.

Stokesley keeps a letter which Croke wrote to Raphael, and sent for him to see, doubtless to prove that he wrote against the King, because Croke kept his counsel, but the comparison of the dates of the letter and of the book sent to the King will destroy that argument, the book being printed before the letter was written. No doubt this was Cassalis' reason for wanting to get the book.

Hol., draft, pp. 2, mutilated.

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6670. [CROKE] to STOKESLEY.

Vit. B. XIII. 122 b. B. M.

Two curtains were missing when Stokesley's pack and bedstaves were brought to Harwell's.

Is surprised, for neither Croke nor any of his people had opened them. Wonders that he told Ambrose not to give the confirmation of the instrument to Croke but to Cassalis. He reports how Stokesley dealt with friar Francis, that he owes money to the cobbler for cobbling his shoes, that he has caused friar Bartholomew to ascribe all the pains he has taken for the King to Cassalis' solicitation only, and not Stokesley's, without whose reasoning and authorities given in writing his work would have been very slender. Has been in hand with the friar to amend that by writing a letter to the King. Save Pagninus, the King has had hitherto no friar who has written like him. Friar Thomas's other work is almost finished. Hears that Stokesley has informed Sir Andrew de Cassalis and Previdellus of what Croke showed him secretly at Rhegio, and exhorted them to play the men, and set forth the King's cause all that they could, saying *ne hic nebulo habeat ansam conquerendi de nobis apud regem.* Has not deserved such words, "yet *tu indignus es qui hæc dicas.*" Trusts that he will at last see cause for loving him, and hating those for whose cause he has thus treated him. Leonicus will not have the horse, and complains both of Croke and Stokesley. He intends to utter his displeasure in a work, which he will "eder" in the name either of Mr. Pol or my lord of Durham. Will try to pacify him. The Imperial ambassador daily tries to win Simonetus [and] Thomazo from the King, sparing neither threats nor promises. Father Francis is sick at Rome, and has no comfort. The Emperor has promoted Felix Berges and another to benefices of above 600 cr., and told divers of the King's friends that if they would take the Queen's part their reward would be more than a few crowns. Men are weary of our promises, and look fast upon the Emperor's deeds. Unless the King rewards these three and Leonicus, all will swerve. Has no money for them, and dares not promise any. Is ashamed of not having performed his promises. Friar Bartholomew had only three crowns for his work and journey to Padua. Begs him to move the King to do somewhat. The Prothonotary says that Raphael has written sore against the King. Received a letter today, which he would have sent if Simon had been with him, saying that Ambrose has procured . . . . . and will procure as much for the Queen as for us. But Simon, hearing of . . . . . of the said money, retained that letter and the money, and w . . . . . another, in the which I made him promise if he dy . . . . . largely." The horse is utterly marred, and is at Padua, and . . . . . to Leonicus, the sight of which made him much more ang[ry] . . . and he thought himself mocked by us. Hopes Stokesley will see that Croke suffers no loss. There is [none will give a] ducat for the horse, which goes only on three legs. [Sends] a letter from Ambrose, who told Croke's servant that he would complain of Stokesley to the King, "and writeth . . . . . episcopus imposuit illi ut tantum solum ageret in causa regis quantum illi comm . . . . . cum quo in camera fuerat secreto collocutus." Complains of Stokesley's dealing thus with him. Has never hindered him in word or deed. Knows now, though too late, of all his sayings and doings. Stokesley has put him out of credence, so that he can do no good. Knows now why Stokesley kept his letters. Sent Pallavicinus to Ferrara, and [made] Cassalis privy to what Croke has long before obtained. He has done the King more harm than he thinks. "My letters sent to Mr. Benet, ye neither did well nor justly fo[r] . . . the only occasion, why I wrote the letter and ye were the man that . . . . ye had written nothing of Dionysius to Doctor Benet and the n . . . . . the letter was your only device in likewise as ye made me to . . . . things to the King of the Senate and Cassalis, which I would . . . upon your cre-

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dence have written. And ye do all that ye can to p[ut me out] of credence, and to advance them which shall never do ye good." Venice.

Hol., draft, pp 2, *mutilated.*

6671. [CROKE to CRANMER.]

Vit. B. XIII. 124 b. B. M.

Sends subscriptions received today from friar Thomas. Save two there is none worth a button, but they be omnigatherum. The hand is the friar's own. Wishes him to find out whether the King has any more subscriptions in the same hand, given him by Stokesley or Cassalis; for then he may be sure that Stokesley has ordered the friars whom Croke has engaged to work for him and Cassalis, and not for Croke. If Stokesley offers any counsel of Marquardus with subscriptions to the King, it is plain that he has done the same with friar Francis' cousin, Dominicus. Asks him, if this is so, to exhibit to the King the copy of Leonicus' letter. Will send all his successes to the King through him. By Stokesley's practising with Cassalis, they have lost the determination of Ferrara, and are likely to lose all the doctors in Milan, Cremona, Pavia, Mantua and Thaurino. Have lost almost all the friars. Raphael's book is printed in derision of the King; and what has happened at Bologna, Cranmer knows. Sends Stokesley's letter sealed. He must keep it four days and more after the King has his letters.

Hol., draft, p. 1, *mutilated.*

6672. [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 125. B. M.

The Emperor has not [a better] solicitor for the Queen in Italy than Raphael Comensis. He has printed his work for the King with that for [the Queen], so that with greater derision to the King's cause, he might declare his affection for the Emperor. He says in express words that the book for the King was written *tantummodo ob exercitationem ingenii*, and that the work for the Q[ueen contains] his true opinion. This work the Imperialists blow and brag abroad, so that every man's mouth here is [full of it], to the great illusion and hindrance of the King's cause, "forasmuch as by the example all the friars that I before had atta[ined] with convenient reward after their pains taken so surely had retained in a . . . swerve and some plainly practised like collusion with the Emperor's ambassad[ors with] your Highness, and some, as I am credibly enfor[med], ——"*

Hol., draft, p. 1, *mutilated.*

. . Oct. **6673.** [CROKE to ———.]

Vit. B. XIII. 112 b. B. M.

"Excellentissime et clarissime domine."

Begs him to continue his writings for the King's cause. Doubts not that the ambassador Casale will freely pay him the promised reward. If not, Croke will pay it, if he will give him a writing promising his counsel.

As to what the Imperial ambassador wrote and said to him, no orders should be considered as the Emperor's unless worthy of the justice of so great a prince. If he will send him word what money he has received, and what Casale promised, will take care that it is paid him before he leaves. Wishes one of his counsels to be sent to the King. "Hactenus audio vestræ dominationi . . . . mia tum aureos condonatos." . . . . Oct.

"Quid etiam de collegio sperare possit princeps meus . . . . intelligere."

Lat., hol., draft, p. 1, *mutilated.*

* Not mutilated at the end. The draft ends in the middle of a line as above.

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. . Oct. **6674.** [CROKE to ———.]

Vit. B. XIII. 118 b. B. M.

"Excellentissime domine." Hears that he has taken up the King's cause, and doubts not that all the professors of Padua will defer to his judgment, and follow him.

Asks if anything has yet been decreed, that when he goes into England he may inform the King what may be expected from his support. Assures him that he will receive from the King's liberality much more than the reward promised by the ambassador De Cassalis. Venice, Oct.

Lat., hol., draft, p. 1.

10 Oct. **6675.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 222. B. M.

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The Pope told him that Tarbes was leaving him, that the duke of Albany was coming, and that Tarbes had told him he believed Albany would treat for a marriage of his Holiness's niece with the son of the king of Scotland (*sic*), and that he would leave that of France, but the Pope should not conclude anything without having his letters, since he was ambassador for the king of France.

* * * The English have got a prorogation of the cause on the ground that the Dean is ill; which is quite true. Has complained to the Pope, however. Is told the Pope has occupied the Rota with a question about the affair of Luther.

Hears that the bishop of Bayonne has returned from England to France. Understands that the king of England requires the Pope once more to commit the cause to the archbishop of Canterbury or the English clergy; and in this he is supported by the French king. De Tarbes, however, has explained to the Pope, after much prevarication (*en fin de muchos rodeos*), that the letter written by the French king was only granted in consequence of great importunity. * * *

The Pope has informed me that when his nuncio, the baron Del Burgo, arrived at Dover (*Dobla*), he found it had been ordered that no one should enter or leave the kingdom without a licence, and accordingly returned. The duke of Albany, it is said, will embark at Turin, and come by the river to Ravenna. Regrets this, as he will pass through the heart of Italy. * * * Had some conversation with Tarbes before he left, on the king of England's cause, in which Tarbes recommended a delay of half or a whole year, as the matter was owing to an amour of the King, which would pass away, while the Queen's case was one of justice, which would always continue. Delay is quite the French policy, as they expect thereby to become judges of the English, as the English have formerly been of them. * * * Rome, 10 Oct. 1530.

ii. Enclosure in the preceding.

* * * Mentioned in writing to the Emperor that the English were endeavoring to get the cause committed to the archbishop of Canterbury. Has learnt, however, that what they seek is, that in case the King marry, the Pope will not proceed against him. In reason the Pope ought not to listen to them; but since he has done so, I have urged him as strongly as possible to answer them rightly. This he has promised to do today. The cause increases every day. Nevertheless I have insisted on the new inhibition, and they have promised to give it me.

Sp., pp. 22, *modern copy from the archives at Simancas.*

10 Oct. **6676.** THE DIVORCE.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 236. B. M.

List of eight opinions sent to Rome by the courier of the 10th Oct., on the affair of the queen of England.

Sp., p. 1, *modern copy from the archives at Simancas.*

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10 Oct. **6677.** HENRY EARL OF CUMBERLAND to WOLSEY.

R. O. Has begun a guild in honor of Our Lady and St. John Evangelist in the parish church of Skipton in Craven, with ordinances, of which he desires Wolsey's confirmation as ordinary. Skipton in Craven, 10 Oct. 22 Hen.VIII. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd. in Hennege's* (?) *hand:* "From my lord Steuard, Northethomberland and Comberland."

11 Oct. **6678.** SIR JOHN WYATT* to MISTRESS CECYLL.

R. O. Cannot prefer her husband to the ferme of their parsonage of Helpston, as Cromwell has asked, because their master and themselves have promised their favor to Mr. Byre. Christ's College, Cambridge, 11 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mistress Cecyll. *Endd.:* Sir John Wyat.

11 Oct. **6679.** WILLIAM TRESHAM to WOLSEY.

R. O. On the 10th I attended my lord of Norfolk, according to his commandment, at Hampton Court. He told me the King had granted no *supersedeas*; and bade me, for confirmation, go to Mr. Secretary, with whom I had been the night before at Hanworth. He also bade me visit the Lord Chief Justice. My lord of Wiltshire, who at first affirmed that the King had granted a *supersedeas*, denied it in the presence of my lord of Norfolk. However, on the 11th I got a *supersedeas* sealed in the Chancery, and allowed by the King's council. I sent it to the commissioners at Oxford. The Chancellor is very good in this matter, entertained me very lovingly, and showed me that Master Stephens is specially good to the college. I beg you will thank them both. I hope to obtain Mr. Baynton by promise of a fee, and so consequently my lord of Norfolk; "for that is the chief way, after the counsel of Mr. Butts, the which, with Mr. Chambre, most humbly recommend them to your Grace, and say that they will do what they may." I look for Mr. Dean and Mr. Carter continually. My Lord Chancellor fears that the King will in conclusion have your Grace's college, for all the *supersedeas;* but he added, that Mr. Secretary (Gardiner) was active for its continuance, and thought the King could not make it less than you intended. I trust it shall continue, as we shall now be impartially heard by the Chief Justice, Mr. Norwyge, and Mr. Attorney. My lords of Norfolk and Wiltshire said the King wished them to be hearers of the matter. I delivered your letters to Cromwell. Parliament, it is said, will be prorogued till after Christmas. From the Cheker in Stronde, 11 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord's Grace. *Endd.*

11 Oct. **6680.** [CROKE] to BENET.

Vit. B. XIII. 102 b. B. M. Received a letter from the bishop of London, dated Lyons, 24 Sept., telling Croke, a great deal too late, that the King wished him to send to Benet and the bishop of Worcester a copy of all counsels in his possession. Has none, as he gave all the originals to the Bishop when he left. A man is now going to Rome, who has written an excellent consultation, as the Bishop thinks, in favor of the King's cause. Benet can judge of his learning in the law, but Croke knows that he yields to no Italian in faith, diligence, and affection for the King. Doubts not Benet will like his manners. He will give Benet a copy of his counsel which the King has. Hopes Benet

* Rector of Cley-juxta-Mare, Norf. (See vol. III. no. 1451.) He was rector as early as 1524, but for how long, does not appear. (See Blomefield, IX. 380.)

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will show him friendship for the King's sake. Prays him to alter his evil opinion of his (Croke's) manners, wit, and learning, which he has not deserved. Venice, 11 Sept.* 1530.
Hol., draft, p. 1.

11 Oct. Vit. B. XIII. 111. B. M.

6681. [CROKE to GHINUCCI.]

Received his letters, with the briefs, on 10 Oct. The bishop of London writes to bid him send the copies of the counsels in his possession to Ghinucci and Benet (*D. Benedictus*), but he gave the originals to Stokesley when he left. Hanibal Grysonius is going to Rome, and will give to Ghinucci his counsel in favor of the King, of which Stokesley approves. Venice, 11 Oct. 1530.
Lat., hol., draft, p. 1, *mutilated.*

12 Oct. R. O.

6682. LANCELOT COLYNS to CROMWELL.

Can get no recompense from Mr. Donyngton for the parsonage of Bishop's Burton, "which was my lord's Grace commandment, and your writing." Begs credence for the bearer. Can do no good in the matter for Reybstone with my lord Abbot. He will shortly be with Cromwell. Would gladly be with Cromwell, "but if it please my lord's Grace, (I do wit not) but I may do his Grace profitable service here, as this bearer can show you." York, 12 Oct.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his right worshipful and in especial good friend, Mr. Thomas Crumwel, at London.

14 Oct. R. O.

6683. ROBBERIES.

The confession of Thos. Snow *alias* Bocher, late of Axmyster, made 14 Oct. 22 Hen.VIII., before lord Daubeney, Sir Nich. Wadam, Sir Thos. Trenchard, Wm. Hody, and John Brytt, justices of the peace, to the effect that he and Jas. Bagg had received money of Jas. Ferrour to conceal a robbery of which John Chase the younger had complained two years ago.

ii. Deposition of Richard Doche, of Abbot Tollar, Dorset, husbandman, before the same justices, against John Perkyns and Rob. Polglasse, who robbed him at the head of Benveld marsh, near Evershowte; after which Sir Giles Strangways having asked what rumor there was in the country upon his servants, Doch told him, "A lewd rule and trim." Sir Giles then bade him hold his peace, and he should have his money again; which was paid to him by Humphrey, Sir Giles's servant. *Signed by the justices.*
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14 Oct. Vit. B. XIII. 122. B. M.

6684. [CROKE to RAPHAEL.]

"Reverende pater." Hears, because Croke did not return [his counsel in] time, that he has written for the Emperor, saying his former writing for the King was merely an exercise. Reminds him that he told him, before he went to Verona, "prioris et fratrum [impulsu pro] Cæsare destinasse vos scribere." Did not refuse to return his writing, but wished to keep it, as he had not copied it all. Warns him to say that he has written unwillingly, lest the King should think he has deceived him, "et ita a pontifice exig[at ut] contraria scribatis." It is plain that he has written against his conscience. The King will easily pardon his fear. Has written to the King of his defence of his cause before the prior and brethren. Promises to send any letters for him to the King, and to keep everything secret. 14 Oct.
Lat., draft, hol., p. 1, *mutilated.*

* Apparently an error for October.

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15 Oct. **6685.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 255. B. M.

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Tarbes is going every day, but is not gone yet. Believes it is owing to the affair of England. Before yesterday the Pope undeceived him in the three points they had proposed; viz., 1, that the cause should be committed to the archbishop of Canterbury; 2, or to him and his clergy; 3, or that, if the King should do anything of fact, the Pope should not fulminate censures against him. The same night the cardinal of Ravenna came to me to inform me of it. He is in truth a good servant of your Majesty. Tarbes made a long reply in the matter. He has since taken another article, that the cause be deferred, and that the king of France be referred to in it. Mai replied by a demand of justice from the Pope, saying that the French king might interpose in due time. Had a conversation today with De Tarbes, while he was waiting to enter the Pope's chamber, when he warned Mai of the danger of the course he was pursuing, and the desirability of delay, with precautions that the king of England do not act for himself. Made answer that it was not owing to the Emperor or the Queen that there had not been six or seven delays, and that he could not consent to it without express orders. Will press for the new inhibition, but fears that it will not be granted.

* * * Rome, 15 Oct. 1530.

Sp., pp. 7, modern copy from the archives at Simancas.

15 Oct. **6686.** ENGLISH MERCHANTS IN SPAIN.

Harl. MS. 36. f. 43. B. M.

Grant of Don Alonso Perez de Guzman, duke of Medina Sidonia, to the English merchants trading at his town of San Lucar de Barrameda, in accordance with their petition. 1. He grants them a piece of ground near the river, and his storehouse, to build a church of St. George. 2. They complain that the customers of Seville, Cadiz, and Gerez (Xerez ?) misuse them for landing goods at San Lucar, demand customs from them, and arrest them; the Duke promises to bear the cost of any suits instituted for this cause, and to procure the restitution of sequestered goods. 3. Will command the customers to take only the duties specified in the previous privileges of English merchants; will have all doubts cleared up, and give a table and ordinances in writing. 4. Will command the judges to proceed instantly to execution in cases of debts by obligations or contracts with Spaniards; the Englishmen complaining that they lose many debts by the long delays in justice. 5. Promises that no wines or other merchandize with which the English ships are laden shall be "embargued" by the Duke's rent gatherers for the debts of the Spanish owners, if the English merchants will demand from the persons from whom they receive the wine, bills from the rent gatherers, stating that they owe the Duke nothing. 6. Permits them to lade their merchandize in any barks of the town they please, without being bound to tarry for the first bark of the row. 7. Permits the hosts of the English merchants, during their absence, to buy and sell for them, without being taxed as brokers, unless they charge brokerage. 8. Takes the English under his protection, so that they shall not be killed nor molested, nor their goods taken nor sequestered "by markes nor countermarkes, nor for imbargementes," nor for any debts. This protection is to be proclaimed. 9. Englishmen may carry weapons by day or night. Any excess shall be tried by the justices of the town and the governor and council. 10. The house of the governor and eight others appointed by him shall not be compelled to take any guests but Englishmen. 11. Civil causes touching Englishmen shall be tried by their governor and council. In criminal cases the justices may not imprison without informing the governor and council. 12. They may lade and unlade their merchandize from before the Friary of St. Dominic to the Alacaseria. 13. They may store in cellars any wines left over after lading their ships.

This order is to be kept, under penalty of depriving of offices, and payment of 10,000 maravedis, and is to be proclaimed. Seville, 14 March 1517.

Notarial attestation by John de Illiseas, notary public, that Richard Cooper, governor, and the council of the English nation, appeared before Diego de Duenias, ordinary justice,

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at St. Lucar de Barrameda, 15 Oct. 1530, and demanded the fulfilment of this privilege, which the judge ordered to be publicly proclaimed that day and the next by Christopher of Yeares (Xeres ?) and Alonso de Talavera, criers of the council of Tamela.

Modern copy in English, pp. 26.

Vesp. C. VII. 61. B.M. 2. Modern copy of a fragment of the same. *Pp.* 2.

16 Oct. R. O. **6687.** CUTHBERT TUNSTALL, BISHOP OF DURHAM, to WOLSEY.

I have warned my clergy, according to your commandment, to appear at your convocation at York on 7 Nov. next; but as Parliament has been prorogued till 22nd of Oct., and men doubt "whether that day do hold or not," and as the old custom has been to see what the province of Canterbury first assented to, and then for the province of York to consent or dissent, as the case may be, I thought best to send to your Grace to know whether you will prorogue the day or not. If you determine on the 7th, I beg you to license me to be absent till St. Andrew's Day, after which I must repair to York for the King's commission. Before St. Martin's Day I shall not be furnished with any money, and was never so badly supplied before. Auckland, 16 Oct.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.*

17 Oct. R. O. **6688.** THOS. ARUNDELL to WOLSEY.

Delivered, as instructed, Wolsey's letters to my lord of Norfolk, with as lowly recommendations as he could devise. After reading them the Duke walked in the park of Hamtuncorte, and asked for his credence. Declared all Wolsey's "good fashions and manner of living," and tried to persuade him how little you aspired to any authority; but the Duke could refrain no longer, and said no man should make him believe that, "and the more that I spake to the contrary, the more out of frame I found him. For, after many contradictions on both sides, he showed me, though I list to be blinded, I should blind no man here; for he said, he had both your Grace's hand to the contrary, and knew three messages sent by three divers persons of your Grace to the King, whereby it might well appear that ye desired as much authority as ever ye did." The messengers were Brertun, Laytun, and a third unknown to Arundell, whose name he has forgotten. Wolsey had reminded each of them of the benefits he had conferred on them and their families. All these messages are taken in the worst sense, and it is almost impossible to remove their mistrust. "I beseech your Grace on my knees that ye will not be known that I have sent you word of these persons' names, nor of the matter, which might do me great hurt, and your Grace no good." By making long suit has got Norfolk to promise "that in all your reasonable causes he will be as good friend to your Grace as I can desire; and as for Strangwyche's matter, look what reason, conscience or law may do for your Grace, and ye shall be sure thereof, as he sayeth." Has moved my lords Chancellor and Chief Justice in that matter, who are to determine the cause along with Norfolk. In four or five days they will hear what Strangwyche has to say about "this new matter that maketh for your Grace," and make an end thereof. Is sure master Secretary is willing to do Wolsey pleasure, "always regarding that by means of setting forth your Grace's suits he be not perferid to mosche one youre parte." He favors Wolsey's college more than any other. Knows he has lately spoken with the King, and got him to instruct the judges and counsel to devise for the surety of the college. The King will, however, take some of the lands of the college. Wolsey's restitution is considered "not available by the law," but he need not fear the King or any other. "As concerning the

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estate that ye be now in, and again, if all men would persuade the King to the contrary hereof, I think assuredly they could not prevail; wherefore, your Grace need not doubt but that that is now done shall shortly be done to your Grace's comfort." Master Secretary advises Wolsey not to send up master Provost as yet. Cannot see that his pension of Winchester is sure to be paid at this time, but his friends hope well. London, 17 Oct.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* [My] lord Cardinal.

17 Oct. **6689.** [CROKE] to CRANMER.

Vit. B. XIII. 124. B. M.

This book, printed before my lord (Stokesley) left Venice, the last day of August, would not have been printed if Stokesley had not forced him to deliver it, and a copy he had made, to Cassalis. Told him that Raphael said he had no more copies, and on the receipt of this, he would begin his work in the Queen's favor; but, nevertheless, Stokesley said that unless Croke delivered it, he would [complain of him] to the King. Has informed the King of the result. On the 24th or 25th of August, Stokesley s[howed] Croke a letter from Raphael; to which Croke wrote an answer, and sent it to Stokesley, to be forwarded or not, as he thought best.

Stokesley retains it, for two reasons :—to p[rove that] Raphael wrote his work against the King because Croke would not return his copy;—but the [date] of the book, compared with the date of Croke's letter, it being St. B[artholomew's] Even when Stokesley first spoke of it, will show that this is untrue; and, secondly, to prove that Croke had divers things procured by him a[nd others] out of their hands, and ascribed them to his own labor. They thus try to prevent him [furthering] the King's cause. For this reason he left all the money with . . . . and none with Croke, and commanded the friars whom he had got, [to deal] no more with him, but with Cassalis, as appears by the letters of Leonicus, of whose gravity Pole can tell him. Friar Ambrose writes that Stokesley has made so many promises, and [not] performed them, that he has done much hurt to the King's cause. He ha[s caused] the King and the realm such shame, that the King had be[tter have] spent 10,000*l.* than have sent him hither. "[And as for] what I had done for the King, or ye went to Rome, ye[a, and what] I have done since, it were pity that I should lose my t[hanks, and others] have them that utterly have let the matter and shamed . . . [I pray] you therefore to be suitor for me. Sir, I sent unto yo[u] . . . . . courier, dwelling without Temple B[ar] . . . . . a letter certifying . . . . . and a copy of the instrument and determination of Ferrara," a letter to the King, and copies of others. Begs him to be good solicitor for him, and to keep nothing from the King. Venice, 17 Oct.

Hol., draft, pp. 2, *mutilated.*

17 Oct. **6690.** DR. GARAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 259. B. M.

As the Emperor has always desired him to send him full information about the affair of the queen of England, hopes he will not be annoyed at his frequent writing, although he is not always correctly informed. On the 1 Oct., as your Majesty knows, began the council of England. Reports some rumors about it, which he cannot well believe. Makes some comments of his own on the case. It is said the Pope dares not despatch the brief of the judges to punish these villanies, for fear of losing the friendship of France, though, if he would do right, he need fear no one but God. Paris, 17 Oct. 1530.

Sp., pp. 6, *modern copy from Simancas.*

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18 Oct. **6691.** RODRIGO NIÑO to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 262. B. M.

* * * Reports a conversation with the duke of Milan's ambassador, in which he acknowledged it was intended to send an ambassador to England to ask for a loan (*a pedille dineros prestos*), who was commissioned to treat for a marriage with the king of England's daughter. Remembered that twenty days ago, talking with the English ambassador, he asked him, "What will the king of England do with his daughter if you go on with this wicked intention?" He replied that the King wished her to marry. I said that whoever married her would expect the succession. He said, for this there would be good means. These things make me suspect that there is to be some talk about it. Should not be surprised if Henry were to give his daughter to him, although he has neither feet nor hands (*aunque le faltan pies y manos*). It would be not nearly so bad as what he is doing to her mother. * * * Venice, 18 Oct. 1530.

Sp., pp. 16, *modern copy from Simancas.*

19 Oct. **6692.** DR. GARAY to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,581, f. 270. B.M.

Touching a MS. that he had sent to the Emperor a year ago before his coronation at Bologna with reference to the question of the queen of England's divorce. Account of arguments employed. Five Councils are appealed to in the King's favor; but their sentence does not contradict what we maintain, for they only award a temporal penalty. They do not say those who have so married should separate. Paris, 19 Oct.

Sp., pp. 10. *Modern copy from Simancas papers now at Paris.*

18 Oct. **6693.** [NICHOLAS RAINCE to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 511.

The cardinal de Grammont had taken leave of the Pope, and was preparing to depart when the messenger came about the affair of England. The King's intention has been followed in presenting, showing, and withdrawing that which you understand, and in all other things. The Pope is wonderfully well pleased, and has followed the despatch in every point; and I trust that in spite of the ambassador Mayo's obstinacy, the bishop of Grammont will have a word more with his Holiness, taking leave of him today or tomorrow; so that the king of England will have tangible proof (*touchera avec le doigt*) that the Pope has done something in his behalf for the sake of Francis. Tuesday, 18 Oct. 1530.

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19 Oct. **6694.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 127. B. M.

The 19th [Oct.] gave to Edmond Herwell, to be sent to the King, excerpts in corroboration of his cause, from a Greek book, and from the Epistles, and *Panorm*[*ia Ivonis*] *episcopi*, and certain subscriptions from friar Thomas, but not of much authority or learning. Delivered also the same day unto the [courier] letters of Dr. Brianus, vicar to the chancellor of the university of [Padua], the King's case printed by Casale, a copy of his own letters from Ferrara and Venice, stating that for lack of money, and by means of a friar [sent about] Italy by Sir Gregory with the King's own book and other writings in his favor, the [determi]nation of the divines of Ferrara was got from him; and the college of lawyers, who had promised, by Cœlius' procurement, to determine for the King, were forbidden to do so.

For 150 cr. *in deposito* the determination would have been given immediately under their common seal, and afterwards a counsel signed and sealed by them all, being 72 in number. Asks for a letter of credence for the duke of Ferrara, and a letter of thanks to Cœlius. Does not understand why the King's cause should have been printed, and copies sent to Augustin de

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Philibertis, cousin to friar Vincentius, our enemy, and to Padua, Bonony, and Ferrara, except to noise it abroad at Pavia, Milan, Mantua, and Turin, and make men more dangerous and costly. Intended to practise secretly in these places with the bishop of London.

Brianus' letter will show the King that his cause has not nor shall be proposed in the college of lawyers at Padua; for their chief, Parisius, not only refuses to write for the King, but goes about, by the procurement of the ambassador, to hinder those who would write. Sends a copy of a letter from him, dated Padua, 3 Sept. 1530, dissuading Hannibal from writing, for fear of offending Casale, and of a letter from Hannibal, showing that the ambassador is concerned in it. Campeggio's secretary, Florianus, and his fellows, have gone from town to town reporting that their master has the King's own handwriting affirming that the Queen was a maid when he married her; and he therefore will not accept an oath to the contrary,—on which oath the Queen has often offered to be content that her matter should be settled. The worst mischief is what has arisen from this book of Rhaphael Comensis, which Croke again sends to the King. He is the greatest solicitor that the Emperor has for the Queen in Italy. He caused his works for the King and the Queen to be printed and set forth together, that he might declare his affection for the Emperor, to the greater detriment and derision of the King. In the Queen's part, he plainly declares that the other was written as an exercise, but that this is his true opinion;—which words the Imperialists brag abroad to the King's great detriment. From the example of this book, by the labor of the Imperial ambassador, and by persuasion of the King's "most regal facility *ad ignoscendum*," all the friars and others whom he had attained now swerve and practise collusion with the Emperor's ambassador. Some have promised him to procure as much for the Queen as for the King. Friar Thomas says the ambassador "had sore labored him in this behalf," and he and others are much fainter than they were. Both he and Dionysius, who practises for friar Francis, daily resort to the Imperial ambassador, and the ambassador to friar Thomas. Hopes by his next letters to tell the King who is faithful, and who not. To excuse Raphael's wilful error, the King's ambassador has procured a letter from Rhaphael "unto [your Highness] . . . . . set forth a book the 19 day of this present month, printed in the . . . . . cause. Howbeit the titles and ends of both books compared togy[der in my] judgment compared together, will prove that this latter nothing an[swers] . . . . . made unto your Highness in the other, but manifestly declareth . . . . . hath written for your Highness he will nothing sustain and . . . . . somever he writeth against your Highness that to be his opinion and my[nd] . . . . . truth by him to be sustained." Thought himself bound to write concerning this, lest the King might be deceived by the letters of others.

The bishop of London writes to him [from Lyons] on 23 Sept. that the King desires him to send copies of the counsels to the ambassador in Rome. Has reserved no copies, which he would have done if the Bishop had advertised him in time. Gave the Bishop [copies] of the instrument of Padua, and all other counsels and subscriptions. Sent an index of them by Cranmer, and subscribed all the counsels with the words *tradidit Londoniensi*, but he was in too great haste to give Croke a bill. Some of the friars say that they have orders from my lord of London to meddle only with him and Cassalis, not with Croke. Does not know how he could do so, for he knows that he was deceived by Cyprian Berges, the dean of the lawyers of Padua, and others. He must have known also that this would not amend the negligence and infidelity of Cassalis, but put all the King's secrets in a hazard of being better [known] to the Emperor and the Pope than would be good.

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Begs pardon for his importunate asking for money, of which he is ashamed. By the account sent to Tuke, has spent 640 cr., and will lack 50*l.* of his diets. Everything is four times dearer than it was eight weeks ago, in consequence of the great rains here and in the marches of Mantua, whereby 300 miles in compass are drowned. Beseeches him to order Tuke to send him money.

Hol., draft, pp. 4, *mutilated.*

Ib. f. 125. B. M. Records of the Reformation, II. 27.

2. Another draft, slightly different from the above, from which a few omissions have been supplied. Venice, 19 Oct.

Hol., draft, pp. 4, *mutilated.*

19 Oct. Vit. B. XIII. 126 b. B. M. Records of the Reformation, II. 25.

6695. [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Sundry great impediments and slanders cause him to wish the King to hear his other long and tedious letter read, or to take the report thereof from Cranmer only. Has hired the bearer to go through Antwerp, by means of Edmond Harwell. Light cloisterers like Rhaphael would be afraid of attempting like folly, if the Pope executed against him the sentence threatened in his brief. He would certainly be convicted of having written against his conscience.

Sends excerpts and subscriptions given him by friar Thomaso. They are nothing to those he was wont to give, and, except two, are rather number than authority.

He has asked Croke to forward letters to the King. Asks the King to stay credence until there is better proof of what he (Croke) has written.

Would rather die than the King should be abused or deceived by anything sent. Venice, 19 [Oct.]

Hol., copy, p. 1, *mutilated.*

Vit. B. XIII. 130. B. M.

6696. [CROKE] to CRANMER.

Has written to him three times that he must speak . . . . . for Mr. Kingston's stuff, for the letter of bank which he sent was never paid, he being dead, but was returned by Cynami to Bonvise against Mr. Kingston's books, ... hundred marks still remain, as Harwell says, in Pandulphu[s' hands, and] Bonvice hath commanded that they shall be conveyed to him, wherefore Cranmer can help himself better with Antony Bonvice than Croke can do here. Wrote by Harwell on 19 Oct., "for which ye must [send to the] Stathus in Milk Street, beside Cheap, and in my letters from Ferrara ta[ke out one from] Dodo to Genyn, the courier, dwelling without Temple Bar, and by my lett[er sent] by Pandulphus Cynamye, the which ye must ask of Antony B[onvice, with] the which letters I sent letters and duplicates unto the King's hig[hness], of the instrument of the determination of Ferrara, and also two books p[rinted for the] King only. And th'other having two works, th'on with the King and th'oth[er against the] King," in which the author protested that the former was merely a declamation and the other his real opinion. Caused these books to be brought from Antwerp in post. Wishes to know when he receives them; whether these gear be [come to the] King's hand, and by whom; how the King taketh all things con . . . . . and other, and how he liked Croke's diligence at Bologna; how my Lo[rd] has done with Croke at the King's hands; what the ambassador has w[ritten of] him, and what works he has sent to England, and by whom subscribed, especially if by Thomas, friar Dionysius, friar Francis, or his cousin Dominico. Found prior Thomas one day reasoning against th[e] . . . . . conclusion, on the Queen's part with a

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friar, who, he says, t[ook the] contrary opinion. Sees that all is not sound. And thus fare ye well. A[t Venice.]

Friar Thomas told him that he could find a me[an whereby he] might well enough write a work against the King, which in . . . . . Grace's matter, and cause that all that he had done should stand in . . . . . his Grace. Doubts not that he means to follow Raph[ael's] example.

This is the good Stokesley has done by bidding them meddle no more with Croke but with Cassalis, to save the money which ought to have been paid for his commons. The friar Marcus Janua, whose subscriptions Cassalis sends to the King, subscribed before [*to*] Francis' book. Hears that friar Thomas now sends h[is book to] the King. If so, he plays the false friar with Croke. ". . . . . me on warke and sendeth another for the warke he shew . . . . . hand, and he hath therein altered many things to" * * * Encloses a billet for the King, to be delivered at his discretion. Sends a copy of Cœlius' letter, showing that for money we may have all the lawyers of Ferrara. Advises the King to write him a letter of thanks. He is *doctor utriusque juris*, learned in Greek and Latin, and wrote *De Libero Arbitrio* against Luther. His other name is Calchagninus; he is an earl born, and of great lands. Wishes the King to send him letters of credence to the duke of Ferrara, with privy instructions, but never to express this matter in letters to the Princes of this country.

Sends today to the Prothonotary for the counsels which the bishop of London bade him ask for. He bade Croke's servant tell him, that if he were not a patient man, Croke would repent writing letters against him, which he said he had in Croke's own hand.

Hol., draft, pp. 2, *mutilated.*

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6697. NICHOLAS RAINCE to MONTMORENCY.

As I hoped, card. de Grammont has had another word with the Pope about England. The English ambassadors, on receipt of letters from England of the 8th, "eurent refery du contenu en leursdites responses assez froidement;" but Grammont got his Holiness to consent finally to grant the delay, according to such form and conditions as I believe he will write, when he is with the King, to Madame and you. The Pope acted as well as could be, and told the ambassadors he granted the delay for the sake of Francis, against the wish of the Imperial ambassador. He twice answered them that he would do the utmost in his power, and even more, in consideration of the close alliance between England and France. He told me yesterday evening that he would despatch an express today, and write with his own hand to the Emperor, to get his approval of what had been done, as done for the best; which, he said, he had some hope of obtaining, as the Emperor had taken very well what the bishop of Vaison had written to him, and had asked time to consider it. Moreover he had acted well towards the card. Confessor and the ambassador Mayo, to remove all occasion of suspicion. Rome, 20 Oct. 1530.

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6698. JOHN PLANDON, late Clerk of the Lands of Wolsey's College at Oxford, to CROMWELL.

Reminds him of his request about the clerkship of the lands of the college at Ipswich. Master Dean settled for him to leave Oxford at Michaelmas, but he will stop till the court of Pipoudre for St. Frideswide's fair, which will be ended by the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude. Oxford, 20 Oct.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his right worshipful and singular good lord, Master Crumwell, Esquire. *Endd.*

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21 Oct. Cott. App. XLVIII. 110. B. M.

6699. [CROMWELL to WOLSEY.]

* * * "lyen three monethis in the Chaunserye; howbeit your Grace shalbe so provydyd for that ye shalbe owt of all dowtts for all the Kynges offycers in the meane season." Asks for some office under Wolsey for his kinsman Dr. Karbott. Though somewhat simple in appearance, believes he will do well if put in trust. I hope you will also be good lord to your servant Nic. Gyfforde, when anything falls that may do him good. Though young and somewhat wild, he is disposed to truth, [hone]ste, and hardyness, and will love your Grace with all his heart. "If anything fall, I beseech your Grace to remember my scholars in Cambridge, and both they [and I sha]ll pray to our Lord Jesu Christ to preserve [you] in long life, good health, with increase of [honor. The] Emperour will be at Colayn in the Feaste of . . . . . without faylle. The parliament ys prorogyd [until the] vj. daye of January. The prelatts shal not appere [in the] *premunire.* Ther ys another way devysyd in [place thereof], as your Grace shall ferther know. The prynces of [Almayne] can ne wyllnot agree to Emperour. Written for lack of . . . . . [in] haste, the xxj. of October."

Hol., p. 1, *mutilated.*

21 Oct. Add. MS. 28,581, f. 286. B. M.

6700. MAI to CHARLES V.

Wrote on the 15th about the card. of Agramonte, and the delay he asked for in the matter of the Kings (*de los ser. Reyes*) of England. The Pope endeavored to get me to agree to a suspension of twenty days, but I opposed it. The card. of Osma then made a similar request to me by the Pope's desire, suggesting that in the interval the king of France, who had written in favor of England, might be brought to reason, or at least his mouth would be shut. Replied by showing the delays that had already occurred, and the unreasonableness of continually putting the Emperor off; to which both the Cardinal and Muscettola, who was present, agreed, so that the Pope had nothing to say in answer. Letters have since come from the king of England. Has not yet been able to discover their effect, but thinks from some information sent him from Bologna, whither Gregory Casal had gone to fetch his wife, that the King wishes them to give a promise not to take any new step during January. The enclosed from the baron Del Burjo, who is nuncio in England, will show the good results that have been obtained there.

I think I told you the English ambassadors would not give up to the Pope the letters they had from their King, when they demanded the three points of which I wrote. Tarbes† gave that of the French king, but afterwards got it back, saying that although Francis had full confidence in his Holiness, we were all mortals, and it might come into hands he would not like. I forbore to tell the Pope this was not an honorable way for kings to negotiate. I have every day solicited the two points that remain of the memorial that I sent you, and yesterday they promised that card. Ancona, to whom it is committed, would give his vote in presence of the English ambassadors; and the Pope has promised to call them for that purpose today. Rodrigo Ninyo says that he will not write in this matter without the Pope's consent. It is not true, as the English pretend, that they have got a strong brief (*un breve rezio*), except that of which I wrote to you.

At Ferrara they have made the same diligence as at Bologna and Padua. The Duke's officers have promised to get the doctors to give a candid opinion, and not consult simply in the King's interest (*y no quisieron sino que aconseiassen en fabor del Rey*). These are vain diligences, for they themselves

† "Farba" in transcript.

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know quite well the cause is to be determined according to justice and canon law; and yet these men go troubling the world with theologians. The Pope wishes to make the French king a mediator to persuade the king of England to submit to his judgment, which every one says he will not submit to. On this matter I have been more yielding, as there is little danger; but, as I told card. Osma, my great fear is that one delay may lead to another. Rome, 21 Oct. 1530.

Sp., pp. 3, *modern copy from Simancas.*

23 Oct. **6701.** [CROKE to CRANMER.]

Vit. B. XIII. 130 b. B. M.

The King's matters, by the bishop of London's handling, cannot prosper as much in Croke's hands as they ought to do. The friars whom Croke only attained, he has ordered to resort to Cassalis; whereof he hopes no harm will come, for good cannot. Knowing Cranmer's perfect zeal to the King's most rightful cause, encloses to him his letters to the King open, which he desires him to read and ponder whether it is better to deliver them or not. Thinks that, if my Lord has lessened Croke's credence by misreport, there is no way to put him to the rebuke for his untruth and covetousness in saving the money he would have paid to the Prothonotary for his meat and drink, but to show the King this letter, with Leonicus' enclosed; "in likewise if ye see the friar Thomas to send any work to the King." Leaves all to his discretion and friendship. 23 Oct.

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23 Oct. **6702.** CROKE to [HENRY VIII.]

Harl. MS. 416. f. 21. B. M. Records of the Reformation, II. 35. Ellis, 3 Ser. II. 167.

Since the 28th Aug. has given friar Thomas 23 cr., since which time he hath got the King but seven subscriptions, which Croke sent by Harwell, 19 Oct. Only two of them are worthy thanks. Calls upon him often, but he answers that there are no more doctors to be got, which Croke knows to be untrue. He will give Croke no receipt for 47 cr. he has had from him, fearing it might be showed to the King's adversaries, but says that at the end of the cause he will either make him a bill or return the money. Has found him twice stiffly reasoning on the Queen's side with a Florentine friar, who he always assured Croke was of the King's opinion, but now he says he has become his utter enemy. He told Croke that the Emperor's ambassador said to him, *Quod si velit procurare pro regina, merces ejus non staret intra paucula scuta;* and he added these words, *Crede mihi, Croce, posse me efficere, si velim facere quod alii velint et faciunt, ut quicquid hactenus fecerunt pro rege illi magis obsit quam prosit.* This comes of Raphael's printed book, of which he has already written. As he can get no more subscriptions either from friar Ambrose or friar Thomas, fear compels him to tell the King that all these friars were first attained by him. Ambrose had, for getting the determination of Padua, 20 cr.; Thomas, 47 cr.; and Francis, for himself and Dionysius, 77 cr. In spite of this, can get nothing from any of them, except Dionysius. Ambrose says that the bishop of London told him to do only what Casale enjoined him. Encloses a copy of letter of Leonicus, mentioning a worse point. Such an order must be prejudicial to the King's cause and to Croke's labor, and also cause the loss of the money which he has laid out upon the friars. If it be true, does not see that he can do any more good in Venice and the parts round. The Bishop knows that his importunate labor has been the principal cause of the success of the King's cause here. Venice, 23 Oct.

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2. Copy by Croke.

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23 Oct. **6703.** HENRY VIII. to JOHN SALISBURY, Seneschal of Denbigh.

R. O. To certify the misdemeanors of Robert ap R[ise], clk., John Wyn' Gruff[ith], Richard ap John ap Mad', Rinalt ap Gruff[ith] ap R[ise], Rytherch ap Mered[ith], Hugh ap [Davi]d ap Mered[ith], John Gruff[ith], clk., and about 50 others. Westm., 23 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII.
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24 Oct. **6704.** RECORDS.

R. O. Indenture, dated 24 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII., certifying that Thos. Mascy and Clement Whitebred, deputies to the earl of Salop (Shrewsbury) and Sir Harry Guldeford, chamberlains of the Exchequer, have received from Wm. Popley, servant to Sir Thos. More, the following writings:—A commission, subscribed by Charles V., elect emperor of Rome, and sealed, directed to the lady Margaret, dated Barcinona, 30 June 1529; another, signed by him and under his great seal, to Peter Equitis, lord of Rosimbos, his chamberlain, dated Genoa, 29 Aug. same year; a treaty between Charles and Henry, signed and sealed by Charles, with the same date. *Signed by Popley.*
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27 Oct. **6705.** W. BENET to HENRY VIII.

Add. 25,114, f. 36. B. M. Alexander, the courier, arrived on the 3rd, by whom he received a packet from Wellsborn, the King's ambassador in the French court; with it the King's letter to my lord of Worcester, Mr. Gregori, and himself. Also a copy from the French king to the Pope; and his instructions to his ambassador at Rome. The same day cardinal Tarbe took leave of the Pope, who next morning departed to Hostia, before the instruction had reached the French ambassador, much to our discomfort, as he has great authority with the Pope. Consequently the writer and Worcester, on receiving the said copies, resolved to confer with cardinal Tarbe, and communicate their instructions, that in the morning before the Pope's departure he might of himself tell the Pope how he had an inkling that the French king had fully resolved to join with Henry in his great cause, and if the Pope would satisfy Henry, Francis would be greatly obliged; if not, he would take it for an injury, and study to revenge it. Further, the Cardinal was to say that, considering the importance of it, he thought it his duty to urge the Pope to satisfy both Kings, and keep them in devotion to the Holy See; for otherwise he would lose both. De Tarbe did this, as he said, effectuously. The Pope said he thought it was likely, and was sorry he could not remediate it, by satisfying the King's desire; but he would not go beyond the law. On the 5th the French courier arrived, one day before Tarbe had appointed to leave, with a letter commanding him immediately, if he had left, to return, and present his master's letter to the Pope and the instructions contained, with no less diligence than if it touched his own person. On the 8th the Pope returned from Hostia to St. Agatha, at Rome, not being able to reach his palace, "for the great inundation of Tiver, which was so great that it ran through every street in Rome, and in many streets it was above two fathoms deep." On the 10th the water had fallen, so that men might ride in the streets. Then the Cardinal, the bishop of Worcester, conte de Ponte-Rimola, the French ambassador, and the writer went to the Pope to present the French king's letter. The Pope said he perceived by the letter that Francis looked upon this cause as his own, and he would act in it as such, and desired the Pope to grant such expedition as De Tarbe should desire. Hereupon De Tarbe proposed the 1st degree, viz., a commission to my lords of Canterbury, London, and Lincoln. The Pope said that had been asked before, except that another was named instead of the bishop of London.

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De Tarbe answered it was the bishop of Exeter; but, if the Pope liked, he would take Exeter instead. The Pope said he spake it not for that purpose. De Tarbe said, in his opinion it was a very reasonable petition, considering the extreme age of the Archbishop, his sincerity, good conscience, great learning, and chiefly that he is chief of the Queen's council, more likely to favor the Queen than the King; "your Highness, therefore, axing the cause to be committed to him, declareth to all the world the sincerity of your conscience, and that your trust resteth only in the justice of your cause." He praised the learning of London and Lincoln, and urged reasons why the cause should be committed to them. The Pope replied, he could give no other answer than what he had given already to this petition;—that "as the Queen had alleged the place suspected, he could not commit it thither again without her consent." If she consented, the Pope was ready to do so. They would get no other answer from him.

Tarbe then proceeded to the 2nd degree:—for a commission to the clergy of the province of Canterbury, showing their learning, and that the chiefs of them, Rochester, Ely, Bath, St. Asaph, and many inferior prelates, were of the Queen's council, and had openly defended her cause;—that the Archbishop, who was at the head of the Convocation, was of her council, and therefore the King did not desire it out of any partiality to himself. The Pope answered, this had often been urged before, and he must make the same reply as to the 1st degree. "Then," said Benet, "your Holiness considers nothing but that the Queen hath alleged the place to be suspected;" which, he urged, was not so; nor could the Queen allege in support of her assertion anything but the King's power in his own realm, and it ought to be showed that there was some act of injustice against the Queen, whereas no man living could show that the King had displayed any displeasure against those who had taken the Queen's part, rather the contrary; and he mentioned the bishop of Durham. That the Pope could not with reason or justice hear the cause at Rome, or commit it to any other place than England, because of the privileges and customs of the realm, which allow no man of the realm to be convented out of it for any cause, and that all appeals to Rome are remitted thither again; and, undoubtedly, the King would not suffer a violation of those prerogatives he was sworn to maintain. The Pope answered, if Benet would allege the same, he should be heard, and have as much as the law allowed. In the end, the Pope said he would do nothing in this matter but what the law allowed, neither for your Highness, the French king, nor the Emperor.

De Tarbe then proceeded to the 3rd degree; viz., if the King should provide a remedy for this great cause, and should follow such means as were approved by learned men and universities in all Christendom, whether the Pope would forbear, directly and indirectly, from molesting him by censures, &c. To this, the Pope said he would consult with his Council. De Tarbe told him it was necessary he should satisfy the King in some of these degrees, or he would see a greater ruin in Christendom than he had seen hitherto. The Pope replied he would be most sorry for that, and would do all he could to prevent it; and if any such ruin did follow, he had liever it should follow for doing his duty than for omitting to do it, and he was unalterably determined to proceed in this matter according to law and justice. He said this in a great fume; but at last asked for a copy of the instructions. The bishop of Tarbe replied, it was not usual to give copies, and he had no special commandment for that purpose. The Pope desired a copy, that he might consult with his Council. De Tarbe said he was willing to read them at any time to his Holiness. On the second day appointed for their answer, the Pope declined one, as they had refused a copy. Then De Tarbe read the instructions, and next day cardinal Ancona made answer in the Pope's

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presence, stating that as the points consisted in law, he spoke as for the Pope;—that if the Pope could persuade the Queen's proctors, then at Rome, to commit the cause as the King desired, it might be done without grieving any party. They replied, if the Queen consented they should have had no need to solicit the Pope. For the 2nd point, he answered we should come to the signature or consistory, and be heard there. They answered they had no such proxy. He replied they might come as orators with a protestation. They answered they had no such command. Then he repeated that as the cause had been committed to Rome by order of the law, it could not be revoked. They said the advocation was made without the King being called to it, and therefore was ineffectual; but without effect. To the 3rd he said the Pope could not refuse the Queen asking process according to law, except he denied her justice, which he would not do in a case of matrimony, being a sacrament of the Church, and affecting the souls of both.

As they could gain nothing in these degrees, they practised with Tarbe for a further delay, urging him to persuade the Pope, and the Emperor's and king of Hungary's ambassadors, alleging the Queen's health, and stating that if any process was made at her suit, the King would be greatly irritated, and expel her from his company. This was urged by Tarbe so effectually that the ambassadors admitted it, but said they did not dare to delay;—they had written to their masters, and expected an answer. The Pope told De Tarbe he could not delay the process without the consent of the adverse party, but, at his urgent request, suspended it for three weeks, in which time an answer will come from the Emperor. This took place on the day Francis, the courier, arrived. On visiting the Pope the next morning, he asked if they had received any instruction from the King, that in case of suspension of process nothing should be attempted against the Queen in England. They answered they had no such commands, but would write. De Tarbe then spake with him a good while apart, as he said, to urge the Pope to a longer delay, but ineffectually. They urged that the time was too short to obtain an answer from England. Two days after, De Tarbe left for France. After his departure they again went to the Pope to urge the custom of England, and that if the Pope sought to examine it after it had been so long established, he would not do well; for how grievous it would be if a man should ask of him the reason why he, being bishop of Rome, should have jurisdiction in all other churches. He said he saw to what end this matter would flow, and he would prove his jurisdiction better than the King could his custom; adding, in a great fume, he would give them no further audience, except in the presence of his Council. Benet urged him to ponder it well; for there was nothing in law so certain but by seeking the reason of it might be made doubtful. He made his usual answer, that if the world fell to ruins he would rather it did so while he was doing his duty. Seeing his displeasure they proceeded no further, knowing that if he is once brought to an obstinacy, he cannot easily be brought from it. Threats and hard words are of no use, unless the King had an army there, like the Emperor.

The Pope will proceed only according to law; and so far will he favor the King. The Pope has committed to Tarbe certain things for the French king touching the King's cause; what they are he will not say. Shortly after Benet's coming there, the Pope spoke to him of a dispensation for two wives, but so doubtfully, that Benet suspects he spoke it for two purposes; one was that he should break it to the King, and see if it would be accepted, "thereby he should have gotten a mean to bring your Highness to grant that if he might dispense in this case, which is of no less force than your case is, consequently he might dispense in your Highness' case." The other was to entertain the King, and defer the cause. Benet asked the Pope whether he was resolved that he could dispense in that case. He said "No;" but he had been told by a great doctor he might, for the avoidance of a greater scandal;

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but he would advise further with his Council. Lately he has said plainly, that he cannot do it. Will not omit, with Dr. Carne, to make search for those things the King commanded. Urged the King to use his influence with the Nuncio to get the bishop of Worcester made cardinal, as the bishop of Tarbe has left, and there is none of equal authority to promote the King's causes. Rome, 27 Oct.

Hol., pp. 25. *Endd. by Wriothesley with date* 1530.

27 Oct. **6706.** FRANCIS BRYAN to SIR JOHN DAUNCE.

R. O. Asks him to be good to his friend, Rocwoode, under-marshal of Calais, "in the suits this bearer, his servant, shall sue unto [you] for bringing them to as short conclusion . . . . . as ye may; in your which so doing" he will deserve thanks for helping a poor gentleman, sore charged with wife and children, who has done the King good service. Desires to be recommended to his father Palmer, his gossip, and his other friends. Calais, 27 Oct. *Signed.*

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31 Oct. **6707.** ORDNANCE.

R. O. Ordnance lacking between the vie[w] taken by Simon Dygby and John Redyng, 13 Hen.VIII., and that by Sir Ric. Cholmeley, Sir Sampson Norton, and Oliver Turnour, 31 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII., in the Tower of London.

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Oct. **6708.** ROBBERY.

R. O. Examination of James Bagge, at the Lord Treasurer's chamber at Westminster, Mich. term, 22 Hen.VIII.

Deposes that John Chace, jun., of Exminster, was robbed about two years ago, at Christmas time, at Exminster town end, and, from the dress and horse of the robber, suspected that it was James Ferrour, servant to Sir Giles Straungwysshe. Being near kinsman to Ferrour, went with one Snow to him at Evershot. He finally confessed, and gave Bagge 3*l.*, which Bagge gave to a priest in confession, to be redelivered to Chace.

Ferrour, examined by the Council, confessed to the robbery, as above.

Signed by T. Nevyle, William Fitzwilliam, Edmund Walsingham, and Thomas Lucas.

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6709. GRANTS in OCTOBER 1530.

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1. Thos. earl of Wiltshire and Ormond. Licence, on account of his services about the King's person, to absent himself from Ireland, notwithstanding the statute against absentees. Hampton Court, 24 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

1. John Broune and Etheldred his wife. Licence to alienate a third part of the manor of Hardewyke, Northt., to Humph. Broune, serjeant-at-law, Philip Parys, Thomas Dalyson, clk., John Huntyngdon, Leonard Leventhorp, and Ric. Lyndesell, to hold to them and the heirs of the said Philip for ever. Westm., 1 Oct.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9.

7. Jas. ap Griffith ap Howell.—Warrant addressed to Walter lord Ferrers, as justice in South Wales, to apprehend Jas. ap Griffyth ap Howell, who has fortified himself in the castle of Emlyn, South Wales. *Del.* Westm., 7 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

10. Staple of Bristol. Assent to the election of Thos. White as mayor, and John Shipman and John Hutton as constables, of the staple of wools, hides, fleeces, and lead at Bristol.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 8.

10. Alice Symonds, of Barstable, Devon. Reversal of outlawry, having been sued for debt, in the Common Pleas, by Christina Monke, of Westminster. Westm., 10 Oct.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

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10. Sebastian Salvagio, Genoese. Licence to export 1,000 quarters of beans. Ampthill, 2 Sept. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 10 Oct. —P.S.

11. Ralph Warner, of Dedham, Essex, clothmaker. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield, deputy general of Calais. Calais. *Signed by Wingfield. Endd.:* Hampton Court, 11 Oct. 22 Hen.VIII.—*P.S. writ.*

11. Wm. Smyth of London, draper. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield, deputy general of Calais. Calais. *Signed by Wingfield. Endd.:* Hampton Court, 11 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII.—*P.S. writ.*

12. John Joachin de Passano, lord de Vaulx. Licence to export 1,000 quarters of beans, 1,000 quarters of oats, and 200 quarters of pease. Hampton Court, 12 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* same day.—P.S. *Enrolled on the French Roll.*

13. John Tomson, native of Laneland, *alias* a native of Germany, beer-brewer. Denization. Chertsey, 3 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 13 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

14. Hen. Clarke of Sowthehampton, merchant *alias* waterman. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield, deputy general of Calais. Waltham Abbey, 20 Sept. 22 Hen.VIII. "Teste," 14 Oct.—P.S.

15. Sir Anthony Fitzherbert and Thos. Englefield. Writ of error in a suit for debt between John Huse, chamberlain of London, and Robt. Bayley, mercer, London. Westm., 15 Oct.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 4*d.*

15. John Aras, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Stokegoldington, Linc. dioc., *vice* Ric. Birdsall, resigned. Hampton Court, 13 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 15 Oct.—P.S.

16. John Hardwike, tailor, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfeld. Hampton Court, 16 Oct. 22 Hen.VIII.—P.S.

17. Wm. Carter, clothmaker, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield, deputy of Calais. Hampton Court, 17 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

17. Rouland Ruggeley, page of the Wardrobe of Beds. To be beadle of Dene forest, Glouc., and doorward of St. Briavel's castle, in the said forest, with the usual fees, *vice* Thos. Garton, deceased. Hampton Court, 7 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 Oct. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

17. Thos. Alforde and Wm. Hale. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of spigurnel or sealer in Chancery; on surrender of patent 30 Sept. 13 Hen.VIII., granting the same to Alforde alone. Hampton Court, 10 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

17. Thos. Alverd, gentleman usher of the Chamber. To be keeper of the King's garden and orchard near Yorke Place, in Westminster, with 6*d.* a day. Hampton Court, 6 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 Oct. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

17. Robt. Litle, groom of the Wardrobe of Beds. Custody of the forest of Pamber, Hants, *vice* Thos. Garton. Hampton Court, 7 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 Oct. —P. S.

17. Ric. Biawoir, chaplain, of Normandy. Denization. Hampton Court, 2 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 17 Oct.—P.S.

18. Margaret lady Grey, servant to queen Katharine. Annuity of 20*l.* Hampton Court, 17 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 18 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 31.

19. Wm. Jenkyn, clk. Presentation to the parish church of St. Petrocius, in the lordship of Stakpole, St. David's dioc., *vice* Lewis Rede, deceased. Hampton Court, 12 Oct. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 19 Oct. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 13.

24. John Frebody. To be keeper and bearer of the books, rolls, appeals, and other memoranda in the receipt of Exchequer, in the same manner as Wm. Gilbert held the said office. Hampton Court, 19 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Oct.—P.S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

24. Leonard Hutchinson, S.T.P. Presentation to the parish church of Croughton, Linc. dioc., in the King's gift by the minority of Eliz. d. and h. of Thos. Ramsey, deceased. Hampton Court, 23 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Oct. — P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

25. Hugh, s. and h. of Morgan Hollande, deceased. Grant of all lands and tenements which John ap Howell Holland formerly held in the vill of Rethelyn, in the commote of Ughdulas, in the lordship of Denby, N. Wales, not exceeding the annual value of 60*s.* Hampton Court, 20 Oct. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Oct. — P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

25. Hugh Howell of London, "kalandyer," *alias* "pouchyng maker," *alias* founder. Licence to keep two "covenant servants," strangers and aliens of whatsoever nation, besides the two alien servants allowed by statute 14 & 15 Hen.VIII. (cap. 2), notwithstanding the said statute, and an order of the Star Chamber, 20 Feb. 20 Hen. VIII., commanding the enforcement of the same, upon a bill of complaint by the artificers of London, and likewise an Act of Parliament 21 Hen. VIII. (cap. 16), confirmatory of the previous act and order. Guildford, 27 July 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Oct.—P.S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 30.

25. Sir John Gage. Grant, in tail male, of the manor of Stewton, Linc., &c. as inrolled under date 23 June 1530;—which

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see. Hampton Court, 15 Oct. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 25 Oct.—P.S. (*mutilated and defaced*).

27. Stephen Garard, the King's chaplain. Grant of the perpetual chantry in the parish church of Flamsted, Herts, of the annual value of 7 marks, *vice* Chris. Wentworth, resigned. Hampton Court, 14 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 27 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 27.

28. John Myre and George his son. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of clerk of the courts in Inglewood forest, called "le Foster Mutes," with the usual fees; on surrender of pat. 5 Mar. 5 Hen. VIII. granting the said office to John alone. Hampton Court, 25 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

28. Thos. Badcok. Licence to export every year 40 qrs. of wheat, 15 qrs. of beans or oats, 6 qrs. of peason, and 40 doz. tallow candles. Chertsey abbey, 6 Oct. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 28 Oct.—P.S.

29. John Tyrell, of Little Warley, Essex, sen. Exemption from serving as sheriff or escheator, or on juries, &c. Hampton Court, 16 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 18.

29. Peter Egerton. To be bailiff of the hundred of Bulkeley, Cheshire. Hampton Court, 16 Oct. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

29. Sir Wm. Fitzwylliam, of Mylton, Northt. Exemption from serving on juries, and from being made sheriff or escheator, &c. Greenwich, 27 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

29. Ric. Manchester, clk. Presentation to the free-chapel of St. Blaise, within the manor of Sutton Colfeld, Warw. Hampton Court, 26 Oct. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 Oct.—P.S.

29. John Newman, clk., M.A. Presentation to the parish church of Wytham, London dioc., void by death, and at the King's disposal by the temporalities of the see of London having lately been in the King's hands. Greenwich, 28 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 Oct.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 30.

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1 Nov. **6710.** HENRY VIII.

S.B. 1. Acknowledgment of the receipt from Francis I., at Calais, of 47,368 gold crowns of the sun, and 16 sous of Tours, (each crown being worth 38*s.* of Tours,) in part payment of 1,894,736 g. cr. Westminster Palace, 1 Nov. 1530, 22 Hen.VIII.

S.B. 2. Acknowledgment of the receipt from the same, at Calais, of 50,000 g. cr. of the sun, in part payment of 150,000 g. cr. of the sun, 40,000 angels, and 35,000 g. cr.,* which sums are due to the King by Charles V., and are to be deducted from the ransom of the French king's sons. Same date.

1 Nov. **6711.** PRIORY OF SHENE.

Rym. XIV. 407. Grant of John Joburne, prior of Shene, in co. Surrey, to the King, of their possessions in Lewesham and East Greenwich. Chapterhouse, 1 Nov. 1530. With a recognisance of the same.
Close roll, 22 *Hen. VIII. m.* 13 *d.*

2 Nov. **6712.** JAMES V. to CLEMENT VII.

Theiner, p. 593. Although his affairs at the Papal court are generally transacted by the duke of Albany, yet, as he has certain secrets which he wishes to communicate to the Pope by word of mouth, he sends Sir Thos. Erskin, his chief secretary, for that purpose. St. John's Town, 2 Nov. 1530.

3 Nov. **6713.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 129 b. B. M. On 19 October sent to the King, by Edmond Harwel, two books printed by Rhaphael Comensis: one, containing two counsels, for and against the King; and the other, one counsel, pretended to be written in the King's

* *Not* "of the sun."

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favor. The constant rumor here of books printed in English and divulged in England against the King, has furthered Rhaphael's evil intent in setting forth these books. Hears that Luther and others have written against the King. The Lutherans here bark and cry out against him, saying that no marriage is prohibited by Divine law, because all were lawful before the written law, which is now "abrogate and abolete" by the Gospel. Sent also by Harwell two letters to the King, his case printed by his ambassador, copies of letters from Cœlius, Braynus, and Parisius, and excerpts of Greek and Latin, noted partly by the bishop of London, and partly by Croke. Sends these excerpts again, with copies of Cœlius' and Parisius' letters. Would gladly go to Thaurine, if the bishop of London, who is known there as the King's ambassador, had any comfort from those he spake with. Thinks it best to practise here, utterly dissembling to be the King's servant. Dares not as yet adventure upon Cremona, Pavia, Milan, nor Mantua, as the ambassador says that "he wol procure there," which he may easily do by the end of next month, and if Croke goes thither he may say that it has hindered him. Friar Thomas would have given him his counsel, but because he had altered *priorem impetum*, and written many things ambiguously which might be construed in favor of the Pope's dispensing power, would not take it until these points were amended. Friar Dionysius says that his resort to the Emperor's ambassador is on behalf of his exiled brother. He has two counsels here in favor of the King's cause, with sundry subscriptions, but Croke cannot get them. Will know how all matters frame when father Francis comes; meantime dissembles with all men. Rhaphael's book has infinitely hurt men's towardness. Asks the King to provide remedies against the evils he has mentioned. Venice, 3 Nov.

Hol., copy, p. 1, *mutilated.*

3 Nov. Vit. B. XIII. 129. B. M.

6714. [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Encloses a letter of 27 Oct., by which the King will see that he has hopes of recovering the great loss [of the determination of] Ferrara by means of a friar "longing to" . . . . . ., about which "let" he wrote from Ferrara, on 30 Sept. and 4 Oct., "by An . . . . . to Genyn, the curriar, dwelling without Temple Bar," and letters from . . . . . [by] Edmond Harwel, 18 Oct. Now sends [by] Pandulphus Cynamye, correspondent to Anthony Bonvice, the duplicates [of the said] letters, and two books printed by Rhaphael Comensis. Sends copies of Braynus' and Parisius' letters to Hannibal, and Hannibal's to Croke, keeping the originals, and also those of letters from Sir Gregory, Crusinus, and father Francis, "for the probation . . . . . against partial report." Wishes all he sends to be kept secret, "for where[as on my coming to Venice] I resorted, by my lord of London's commandment, unto . . . . . house to demand certain counsels that my said Lord left with [him, he desiring] to speak with me, sent me by his chaplain this message, that is to say . . . . . *amplius domum ipsius, ne haberet occasionem male merendi de me* for . . . . . as I had written unto your Highness against him, whereof he said he [had the proofs] ready, and that he was promised to have out of England shor[tly] . . . . . part by copy, part of mine own hand."

[Matters] are so handled in Croke's absence, that he dares not depa[rt] lest all miscarry, and tarrying here he does no good, or very [little]. Fears the King will not find a remedy until Croke has spoken to him. The [rumor] of books printed in English, "setteth forth marvellously the mischievous intent of [Rhaphael] in printing this book, whom, if your Highness cause not shortly t[o forbear] other by the Senate or by the Pope, *in cujus breve apertissime* . . . . . [your] Highness shall see a great many more

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[CROKE to HENRY VIII.]—*cont.*

slip the string in . . . . . no more but advertise your Highness." [Venice], 3 Nov.

Hol., copy, p. 1, *mutilated.*

3 Nov. **6715.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. 28,582, f. 2. B. M.

Has importuned the Pope a thousand times about the two points remaining in the memorial touching the separation of the king and queen of England, and for the new inhibition against the King proceeding to marry *de facto*, "y haseme defendido con el mal de Anchona." Today he sent for Ancona and the English ambassadors in my presence to come to the palace, but, owing to the entry of the duke of Albany, the interview did not take place. The minute has already been drawn that the universities should assemble lawfully, and give their opinions and reasons. Order has been taken to this effect for Padua and Bologna, and even for Paris. Rome, 3 Nov. 1530.

Sp., pp. 2, *modern copy from Simancas.*

3 Nov. **6716.** SCOTLAND.

Ashmol. 826, f. 30.

"Articulis credentialis severalie gevin to our familiare servand Thomas Scot, gentillman of our house, to be schowin to our derrest uncle the king of England."

ii. A certificate, written and signed by the said Thomas Scot, that the foregoing is a true copy. Dated Westm., 3 Nov. 1530.

5 Nov. **6717.** THE DIVORCE.

Add. 28,582, f. 11. B. M.

News from the Nuncio in France, dated Blois, 5 Nov.

* * "I think that all delay his Holiness can cause to the king of England in his matrimonial cause is well justified, provided that no injustice be done, and the Emperor be not offended; of which his Holiness will take care. I say this deliberately, for I do not doubt that if this demand (of the king of England) in this matrimonial cause is superseded, it is for some purpose which God will direct for the best. I hear that the King makes all efforts that his cause be decided in England in his favor; and as he sees that those who are to take part in the diet are not in his favor (*a suo preposito*), and perhaps doubting that sentence will be given earlier in Rome than in England, he makes this demand to delay the process. I hear from a person who has come from there (England), that that man (*questo homo*) is at present more obstinate in the matter than ever, and all that is done from here (France?) is insufficient to change the mind of the King. I think, however, that a letter ought to be written to his Holiness, asking him to defer the despatch of an answer from Rome."

Pp. 2. *Modern abstract of a paper at Simancas, endorsed:* "Summary of the letters and news from France which Musetula sends."

Ib. f. 13.

2. Modern copy of the original of the preceding.

Ital., p. 1.

5 Nov. **6718.** CECILY MARCHIONESS OF DORSET.

Her will, 6 May 1527. Proved 5 Nov. 1530. Printed in Nicholas' Testamenta Vetusta, p. 631.

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8 Nov. **6719.** News.

Add. MS. 28,582, f. 14. B. M.

"News from France (sent by the Nuncio), 8 Nov. * * *

"The letters from Rome produce rather unfavorable impression on the king of France, as he suspects the Pope of too great partiality for the Emperor. The king of England asks to be paid what is due to him, and 8,000 ducats more.

Ital., pp. 1½. *Endd.:* Summary of the letters and news from France which Musetula sends.

10 Nov. **6720.** De Vaux to Montmorency.

Le Grand, III. 527.

Has communicated to the King the substance of his letter of the 23rd, who was greatly pleased with it, and trusted that if Mons. de Noircarmes or De Robadanges had carried from the Emperor to Francis a thing of any consequence his good brother would have informed him. He desired Francis most urgently to write as often as possible about himself and his mother, and of any news that might occur. In a long conversation I had with the King that day, and again yesterday, he appeared anxious for a familiar meeting with Francis without ceremony. He thinks he will cross the sea, and that the interview might be had about Ardres; but I passed this over on both occasions without reply, the thing being of so great importance. I was also not certain how far it would serve your interests. For the rest I refer you to letters to the King and the bishop of Bayonne about the danger (*caso*) of the Cardinal. London, 8 Nov. 1530.

P.S.—I have delayed this despatch to learn more about the poor Cardinal; concerning whom the King, and the lords of his Council, have assured me, with oaths, that they have not the slightest suspicion of me, but have every good opinion, and hold me as a dear servant. Norfolk and Suffolk have begged me firmly to believe it; but as to the Cardinal, I fear he cannot do well. They say they have many important causes against him; and the King says he has intrigued against them, both in and out of his kingdom, and has told me where and how, and that one and perhaps more of his servants have discovered it, and accused him. I am much grieved for his danger. Norfolk yesterday spoke a word to me about the proposed interview, so that it seems there is plenty of inclination on this side; but the thing is so important I do not know what to say. I have just received your letter of the 3rd, and in answer may say that I have given to the King the packet addressed to him, who thanks you for your diligence. They have letters from Rome of the 24th ult., which are later than these. As to the pension of the marquis of Ossester (Exeter), Francis, I think, has done well to make it die with the the person. 10 Nov. 1530.

Ital. Add.

11 Nov. **6721.** Sheriff Roll.

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Cumb.: Sir Christ. Dacre, *John Lamplewe, and Ric. Irton.

Northumb.: Ingram Percy, Thos. Eryngton, and *Cuthbert Ratcliff.

York: *Thos. Strangways, John Norton, and Sir Robt. Nevill.

Notts and Derb.: *Sir Henry Sacheverell, John Hercy, and Sir William Perpoynt.

Lincoln: *Sir William Husey, Sir John Thymelby, and William Dysney.

Warw. and Leic.: John Haryngton, Sir John Villers, and *Christ. Villers.

Salop: Ric. Maynwaryng, Thos. Laken, and *Sir John Blount.

Staff.: *Sir John Gifford, George Greseley, and Ric. Asteley.

Heref.: William Clynton, Thos. Walwyn, *Sir Ric. Vaughan.

Glouc.: Robt. Witney, *Sir John Walssh, and John Arnold.

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Oxon and Berks: *Hen. Bruges, John Brome, and Thos. Denton.

Northt.: Sir Thos. Tresham, *Ric. Cave, and Sir William Spencer.

Camb. and Hunts: Thos. Chicheley, *Giles Alyngton, and Robt. Payton.

Beds and Bucks: Sir John Dyve, Sir Robt. Lee, and *Sir Michael Fyssher.

Norf. and Suffolk: *Thos. Jermyn, Sir Thos. le Straunge, and Lionel Talmage.

Essex and Herts: *John Brokett, Robt. Forster, and Sir Philip Butler.

Kent: *William Waller, James Pekham, and Antony Seyntleger.

Surr. and Suss.: Sir William Pelham, John Palmer, and *Sir William Goryng.

Hants: Robt. Bulkeley, Ralph Pexall, and *Sir Thos. Lysle.

Wilts: William Ludlowe, *Thos. York, and Robt. Baynard.

Somers. and Dors.: Sir Thos. More, William Uvedale, and *Thos. Arrundell.

Devon: *Sir George Seyntleger, Sir Ric. Greynfeld, and Sir William Carewe.

Cornw.: Thos. Seyntaubyn, *Christ. Tredenek, and Robt. Vyvyan.

Rutland: *George Makworth, Anthony Coly, and Francis Broun.

Worc.: (Blank).

Westmor.: Henry earl of Cumberland.

Cheshire: *Peter Warberton, Edward Lytelton, and Edw. Fitton.

Del. Westm., 11 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII.

Signed by the King top and bottom.

*** *Those names marked with an asterisk were chosen sheriffs by the King.*

13 Nov. R. O.

6722. JOHN CHEKYNGE to CROMWELL.

It is six weeks, and more, since Cromwell left, and he has heard no word of him. All here in good health. Gregory will be loaded with Latin before he see Cromwell again. Wrote to him of their total expences. Christopher's was something large, for the reason he stated. Gregory's and Sadler's were small, and will be smaller now that Christopher has left. No news but out of the North, "for the which *vere doleo.*" God send better times. Cambridge, 13 Nov.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Mr. Thomas Crumwell, besides the Austin Freers at London.

13 Nov. Add. 28,582, f. 17. B. M.

6723. MAI to CHARLES V.

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I have not a thing to produce in the cause of England. I have written to Spain many a time; and from England I am disappointed that they can send nothing. I beg you will write to Spain about it. Rome, 13 Nov. 1530.

Sp., pp. 10. *Modern copy from Simancas.*

14 Nov. Add. 28,582, f. 25. B. M.

6724. MAI to the COMMENDADOR MAYOR.

Touching the duke of Albany and Italian politics.† * * *

Rome, 14 Nov. 1530.

Sp., pp 7. *Modern copy from the archives of Simancas.*

† Several notices of the duke of Albany occur about this time in these Spanish papers, but none of importance as regards England.

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14 Nov. P. S. **6725.** SUB-PRIORESS and CONVENT of the AUGUSTINE MONASTERY of GORYNG, Linc. dioc.

Congé d'élire upon the resignation of Alice Colsell, last prioress. Greenwich, 2 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 Nov.
Pat. 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 11.

2. Petition for the above. 20 Oct. 1530.

17 Nov. R. O. **6726.** ST. PAUL'S, LONDON.

Form of receipt by John Wyders, clk. residentiary of St. Paul's, and receiver of the rents of the Chapter, for some arrears of rent of the manor of Barnes, Surrey, at the rate of 16*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* a year, in lieu of 50 qrs. of wheat, due from Sir Henry Wiat, late farmer of the manor. 17 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII.
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. . Nov. Vit. B. XIII. 132 b. B. M. Records of the Reformation, II. 42. **6727.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

Dominicus Trevisanus, cousin to father Francis, gave Croke this morning the counsel of Marquardus, in form authentic, under a notary's sign and seal, subscribed and sealed by four doctors. Sends it by the bearer. Although orders have been given to the friars whom Croke attained, to meddle only with Cassalis, who has reserved to himself Milan, Mantua, Cremona, and Pavia, and also discharged Croke of Bologna, Venice, Padua, and Verona, yet he would have been ashamed to have sent so small a number, if he had not lacked money. At the end of this month will lack 60*l.* of his diets. Reminds the King that before his coming, he had obtained no subscriptions or counsels from Italy. The copies of letters from Sir Gregory, the Prothonotary, and others, of which he has the originals, show the truth of his reports. The loss of the determination of Ferrara, and the book of Rhaphael Comensis, are sufficient proof by themselves. Copies of these, and [of] Cœlius' and of Parisius' letters, he sent by Edmund [Harwell], and [no]w sends again by Pandulphus Cyna[mye]. * * *
. . . Nov.
Pp. 2, *hol., copy, mutilated.*

20 Nov. Vit. B. XIII. 133. B. M. Records of the Reformation, II. 44. **6728.** [CROKE to HENRY VIII.]

The 18th of . . . , on information had from the King's most faithful servant . . . . . [that] Raphael Comensis had anew written against him, and [would] inscribe his work to the Pope, thought good to confer with him. He gloried in what he had done, saying that he would neither be nor seem to be a traitor to the [Emperor]. Reminded him that by such incons[tancy, and] often writing contrary to himself, he might be noted [to] destain his gravity and honesty. To which he replied [that it could] not be gathered from his work that anything that he [wrote for] the King was his opinion. When Croke alleged to him [the book] late printed, and the epistle sent to the King, he [said] that there was no such epistle printed by his co[nsent], for he gave it in writing and sealed [to the ambassa]tor, who gave him 8 cr. for doing so. Encloses a copy of the letter which he gave Croke. Fears Cassalis has altered many things in the epistle and work. There is not one book or epistle of them put [forth]. Rhaphael himself could not get one. [By] report of the printer there were but four epistles printed . . . . four printed in Italian. The Prothonotary stood [by while they were printing, and with his own hands brake the for[ms], threatening the printer with death if he discovered it to Croke. Sends a bill of all the doctors' n[ames] of the college of Padua, that the King may see how ma[ny] lack. As yet nothing is done *collegialiter.* All the college would gladly

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determine with the King, but for fear of the Senate, which has commanded the contrary. Simonetus desired Croke to promise the King up . . . . . that after Christmas he would send his book in the King's favor. He g[ave] Croke a letter from the ambassador, of which he sends a copy. And in the bill of doctors I have * * * Sends a copy of letters from Cœlius, showing the difficulty that there will be at Ferrara, and how Sir Gregory has promised the Duke's factor, who had the determination taken away, that the King will not be displeased with the Duke on account of it. Thus they never cease to "appeare" the fruit of his diligence. Is going to speak to Parisius, who has sent for him on matters concerning the cause. Padua, 20 Nov.

Hopes that the ambassador has gone to the towns of which he discharged Croke, for no one here knows what is become of him. Told him, before witnesses, that unless he did shortly some good there himself, he would accuse him before the King of forbidding him so that nothing might be done. "What he hath done at Padua, your Highness by the bill of names written unto me with the hand of a doctor being one of the judges of Padua, and by the same that he with much less difficulty a twelvemonth since might have done all that he hath done now, and much more." The correction sent to the King, by friar Ambrose, of the instrument of Padua, hinders the obtaining of the corrections which the King wants. Doubts not it would have been in much more available form, if he had not been forbidden to be privy to the getting of it. Will, however, try. The Emperor's letters to the friars are credentials for his ambassador, and promise of remembrance to those who favor his cause.

Hol., copy, pp. 2, mutilated.

20 Nov. **6729.** FRANCIS I. to CLEMENT VII.

Add. MS. 28,582, f. 58. B. M.

Writes concerning the projected Council, and the spread of the Lutheran heresy, touching which his ambassador, the duke of Albany, is more fully instructed. Blois, 20 Nov. 1530.

Fr., pp. 5, modern copy.

20 Nov. **6730.** The ABBOT OF LLOR to the COMENDADOR MAYOR.

Add. MS. 28,582, f. 61. B. M.

Has spoken about the affair of England with the Cardinal named in an enclosed paper, who has shown him a letter from Henry, promising him a bishopric of 6,000 ducats for his favor. He also showed him three opinions in writing in favor of the King. Details conversations with him, and thinks if the Emperor wrote to him he might be won over. Rome, 22 Nov. 1530.

Sp., pp. 6, modern copy from Simancas.

21 Nov. **6731.** HENRY VIII. to CLEMENT VII.

Add. MS. 15,387, f. 229. B. M. St. P. VII. 266.

Writes to express his pleasure at the gift of the island of Malta and others near it, to the Order of Jerusalem, by the Emperor.

Will not fail in preserving the Order. Hampton Court, 21 Nov. 1530.

Lat., modern copy, pp. 6.

21 Nov. **6732.** HENRY VIII. to FRANCIS I.

MS. Bibl. Nat. 2997, f. 14.

Has received by the commander De Vinteville, sent hither by the Grand Master of Rhodes, the letter of Francis, dated 25 Oct., and in consideration of the same, and regard for the said religion, has given him a favorable audience and reply. Hampton Court, 21 Nov. 1530.

Fr. From a transcript.

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21 [Nov.] **6733.** BRYAN to HENRY VIII.
Harl. 296, f. 38. B. M. St. P. VII. 211.

I received at Blois, on the 19th, your letters under signet, dated York Place, 11 Nov., stating the detestable practices and conspiracies set forth by Wolsey, at Rome and within your realm, against your dignity. After I had studied them well I visited the Grand Master, who inquired, what news from England? and I learned from him that news had been received from the ambassador in England,—that the Cardinal was in hold, but for what offence he knew not; that the King (Francis), however, thought he deserved imprisonment. I told him that I had been sent to prevent any untrue surmises, with a letter from you to Francis and my Lady, desiring them that in event of hearing of this matter otherwise than was good, they should know the truth, "showing him that if the particularities, which I said did chiefly concern presumptuous sinister practices made to court of Rome for reducing him to his former estate and dignity, contrary to his faith, truth, duty and allegiance, were so well known to the King your brother, my lady and him, as they were to your Highness, there were no doubt but he and they would much abhor the same." He replied, they judged you to be so just a prince that you would not have punished the Cardinal but for his heinous deserts. He then took me to dinner with him, where dined the cardinal of Lorraine, the marquis of Saluce, the count St. Pôl, the count de Taunte, and the Imperial ambassador, "who showed to me there very good countenance, howsoever he thought."

After dinner the Great Master brought him to Francis. The Imperial ambassador would have addressed the King first, but the latter rose out of his chair, saying, "You must pardon me, I will first speak with the King my brother's ambassador, and after with you." This was done in the face of the whole of the Court, chiefly Italians. Repeated to him what he had said about Wolsey to the Grand Master, who replied, in behalf of Francis, that the love between the two Kings was so firm that nothing could persuade him to give credence to any tales against the King's honor; nevertheless "it was done like a very natural brother to advertise him of the truth." He then asked me the particulars of the offences;—which I said I knew not as yet; but your Highness would advertise him of the whole. He accepted this very well, saying he ever thought "that so pompous and ambitious a heart, sprung out of so vile a stock, would once show forth the baseness of his nature, and most commonly against him that hath raised him from low degree to high dignity as ye have done; and said he thought by his outrageous misbehaviours he had well merited other a life worse than death, or else of all deaths the most cruel." I think that De Vaux, his ambassador in England, has done well in disclosing the misdemeanour of the Cardinal. Speaking of the Pope, he said he would do no otherwise than as the Emperor wished him, and that he heard he was greatly incensed because of an order that none of your subjects should make suit to Rome in any matter without your licence. I told him this was no more than a proclamation for the execution of statutes devised by Parliament concerning the wealth of your commons, and the Pope's just prerogatives had not been impaired; and I urged, if the Pope out of malice should attempt to publish anything in France to your prejudice, that he would not suffer it. He vehemently asserted he should not. Has desired Francis to thank the cardinal Gramont for his services at Rome, and told him you were informed the said Cardinal had some other device for the furtherance of your cause which he would first open to your said brother. Francis said there should be no subject of his but would study as much the advancement of the King's interests as of his. He looked for the arrival of De Tarbes in six or seven days, and would let me know his suggestion.

Cannot discover that there is any towardness for a meeting between Francis and the Emperor. Asked the Great Master, who said fools did

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babble they wist not what. As to the proposal for a General Council, Francis says he thought it right not altogether to refuse, if an indifferent place were chosen. Francis has also told him, of his own accord, how the Venetian ambassador lately advised him to write to Henry, urging him to desist from his great matter as a thing that might not lawfully be done. To which he had replied that he spake unlearned, the matter having been examined by a great number of clerks in France and Italy, most of whom were on the King's side. The ambassador observed in answer, "that ever the most number were fools." "Then," said Francis, "your commonwealth of Venice, which is ordered by the most number, by your saying is governed by many fools." At this, according to Francis, he was much abashed, "showing me he was so aged he was waxen a child again, doating for age." Neither Pope, Emperor, nor Signory, should prevent him, he said, from acting in the King's behalf. Blois, the 21st day.

Later copy.

23 Nov. **6734.** SIR GREGORY CASALE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. St. P. VII. 267.

If the King were to have the cause determined in England, the Emperor would press the Pope to pronounce sentence against him, with censures. Has therefore consulted some divines whether the Pope would have a right to issue such censures. Sends their answer. Took also the opinion of Hieronymus Previdellus, his servant, which the King will see. Thinks some representation to the Pope on this subject might prevent his yielding to the Emperor. Bologna, 23 Nov. 1530. *Signed.*

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ii. Opinion cited from Egidius Bellamera, archbishop (*antistes*) of Avignon and auditor of the Sacred Palace, whose decisions are of great force in the Rota, that the Pope ought not to grant a dispensation in such a case; strengthened by reference to a case in A.D. 1392, and to an instance in which St. Dunstan resisted the Pope, who wished to dispense with an English earl for a marriage within the prohibited degrees.

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R. O. 2. A modern copy of ii.

24 Nov. **6735.** HENRY VIII. to BENET.

R. O.

Being informed by letters from Sir Gregory de Cassalis that the Pope is willing, at the King's request, to make the bishop of Worcester a cardinal "at these next ymbring days," our mind is that you first solicit his preferment of his Holiness in our name, according to our former letters to the Pope; and if you think there be any difficulty you shall urge his advancement, in accordance with our letters to his Holiness, sent herewith. Hampton Court, 24 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Signed at top.*

P. 1. *Add.*

25 Nov. **6736.** ARCHBISHOP WARHAM.

His will. Printed in Camden Soc. "Wills from Doctors Commons," p. 21.

26 Nov. **6737.** MUSETULA to CHARLES V.

Add. 28,582, f. 66. B. M.

The Pope also told me that the king of England has made proposals to Francis for a league *en todo y por todo*, in which he will aid him to recover the sovereignty of Flanders; but they have determined not to conclude it, trusting to draw the Emperor into this matter of Milan (*en esto*

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de Milan). Yet they do not altogether despair to move the king of England at another time, as this matter of Milan appears more to his interest than the other negociation. * * * * Rome, 26 Nov. 1530.

Sp., pp. 14, *modern copy from Simancas.*

27 Nov. **6738.** CHAPUYS to CHARLES V.

Bradford, 319. The rumor that the King intends, in the coming Parliament at the Purification V. M., something touching the divorce, and the tediousness of the process, have induced the Queen to write to you to intercede for her with the Pope, according to the memorial presented by Mr. May. Delay is prejudicial to her cause. A book is being printed, against the meeting of Parliament, in favor of the King, in order to gain the people. The Dean of the Chapel, in the King's behalf, has presented eight instruments to the archbishop of Canterbury, respecting the divorce; two from Paris, the others from Toulouse, Orleans, Burgos, Bologna, Padua, and Pavia. They are likely to publish these documents, as they have more influence than any book. If they do, it will be better to get attestation of the votes in favor of the Queen, and circulate some books, as Fisher's was circulated in Spain. Some thought he would be annoyed, and feared the King's displeasure; but the King has shown himself quite indifferent. I have commissioned May to get the Bishop's two later books printed, and will distribute them at the opening of Parliament.

F. = book

A few days since, the duchess of Norfolk sent the Queen a present of "*volaille*" and an orange, enclosing a letter from Gregory Cassal, which I send. The Queen thinks the Duchess did this out of regard for her, but I fear it was done with the knowledge of her husband, as a means of entering into some secret communication with her Majesty more easily.

Eight days ago the King gave orders for the Cardinal to be brought here; on which the Cardinal remained for some days without food, hoping rather to finish his life in this way than in a more shameful one, of which he had some fears. He has been taken ill on the road, and has not arrived. It is said he is to be lodged in the same chamber in the Tower where the duke of Buckingham was detained. The cause of his arrest is a mere conjecture. A gentleman told me that a short time ago the King was complaining to his Council of something that was not done according to his liking, and said in a rage that the Cardinal was a better man than any of them for managing matters; and repeating this twice, he left them. The Duke, the lady, and the father have not ceased since then to plot against the Cardinal; especially the lady, who does not cease to weep and regret her lost time and her honor, threatening the King that she would leave him,—in such sort that the King has had much trouble to appease her; and though the King prayed her most affectionately, even with tears in his eyes, that she would not speak of leaving him, nothing would satisfy her except the arrest of the Cardinal. It was pretended that he had written to Rome to be reinstated in his possessions, and to France for its favor, and was returning to his ancient pomp, and corrupting the people. But since they have had the Cardinal's physician† in their hands, they have found what they sought for. Since he has been here the same physician has lived in the duke of Norfolk's house like a prince. He is singing the tune as they wished him.

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Joachin would not say a word about it to the Papal nuncio, but he told the Venetian ambassador, that, according to the confession of the Cardinal's physician, the Cardinal had solicited the Pope to excommunicate the King if he did not banish the lady from the court, and treat the Queen with due respect. He hoped by this to raise the country, and obtain the management. Joachin protested against the malice of the Cardinal; but I do not know whether he did so to conceal his chagrin at the Cardinal's arrest, or out of spite for

† De Augustinis.

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his anxiety to prevent this second marriage. I think the physician must have declared he had no intelligence with me; otherwise the Duke, who is a bad dissembler, would have said something about it. They might also have summoned the person who was the go-between, to whom the physician wrote, and who sent him the answers; but up to this time not a word has been said about it. Were the physician to say all that passed between us he could not do anything to impugn me. It is said the king of France will object to the summoning of a Council. The earl of Wiltshire has been obliged to retract the promise made by him to the duke of Milan of obtaining a loan from the King of 50,000 crowns. Certain deputies have arrived here from Scotland. The Lutheran merchants have been no otherwise punished than by being paraded through the streets, and being compelled to burn their books; so where one spoke of them before, 100 speak of them now. The King wishes not only for an authentic copy of the documents I have referred to, but to have them translated; and the translator had notice from the earl of Wiltshire that the King wished to have the translation made in the King's own favor by enlarging upon it wherever it might seem advisable. London, 27 Nov. 1530.

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28 Nov. **6739.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. 28,582, f. 83. B. M.

Is glad the Emperor was satisfied with the delay agreed to, at the petition of the Pope, in the cause of England. We will now follow the terms of the plea (*seguiremos los terminos del pleito*) without further interruption, as the Pope has promised never again to propose a suspension. Nevertheless, he has letters from his Nuncio there, showing that the King is so dissatisfied with his Holiness that he threatens to take pen in hand, and rouse up other princes against the Pope. But he is informed that the Parliament is prorogued, and he thinks it is only to terrify the poor Queen, and keep the matter in suspense. Among those here who have given opinions in the King's favor is a converted Jew, named Marc Gabriel, and the King has provided to give him as much money as he requires, and to send him thither. Fears that with the opinions he has got, and with the presence of this man [in England], the King will persuade his Parliament that with their consent he may marry *de facto*. * * * The Nuncio in England has written to his Holiness, that, in talking with the king of England about the going of the Landgrave, and afterwards of that of the duke of Saxony, the King said no one would be bold enough to do the same in his dominions. I said to his Holiness that neither would they in Spain nor in your other kingdoms, not from fear, but from pure loyalty to your Majesty, whom they idolise (*quasi idolatran en V.M.*); but in Germany this going was not wonderful, for the very act of flight was significant of their dread of you; but they do not do so in England, as we learn from their ancient histories, but mutiny for any occasion or for none, and often lay their hands upon their kings; and that Henry is the most perilous king in the world. I told this to his Holiness, that he might not regard his threats. Rome, 28 Nov. 1530.

Sp., pp. 4, *copy from Simancas.*

28 Nov. **6740.** THOMAS LORD DARCY.

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Exemplification of a recovery by Edw. earl of Derby, Robt. earl of Sussex, and others, against Thos. lord Darcy, of the manor of Temple Newsam, Rothewell manor, Rothewell Hay, and Beekynhawe. Westm. 28 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII.

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30 Nov. **6741.** JAMES V. to CLEMENT VII.

Theiner, p. 594. Is informed that James archbp. of St. Andrew's would have been appointed Papal Legate, had he not been prevented by the duke of Albany. Has always objected to him as unfit for such an authority. As it is necessary that the chancellor, treasurer, and other ecclesiastics should sit in criminal causes, begs the Pope to grant faculties to William Stewart, provost of Lynclowden, and others, for that purpose. St. John's Town *alias* Perth, 30 Nov. 1530.

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30 Nov. **6742.** RODRIGO NIÑO to CHARLES V.

Add. 28,582, f. 102. B. M. Since I wrote on the 20th, I have endeavored to learn who had gone to England about the marriage of the Princess to the duke of Milan. I find it is that same Prothonotary Casal who was ambassador here for the King, to whom, and to his brother the knight, it is said the Duke has promised to give a grand house (*grand casa de renta*) in the duchy of Milan if the matter take effect. I am assured that he is gone to be employed in this matter, and the negociation is to proceed by letting the King know what I have written to your Majesty. His journey is on the pretext of delivering to the King all that he has been able to do against the queen of England, and to show the King that it is he who has done everything, and not the bishop of London, nor Croke, who is still intriguing here as much as he can. The prior of St. John and St. Paul has delivered to me the opinion he had made against the Queen, and has promised not to give it to the English, but do what he can to retract it, and endeavor to get the others who have written against her to do the like; and as I promised to send you his opinion, folded up and sealed just as he gave it me, he says he has written within a letter to you, and sends the copy of the brief given by the Pope, in which he says he has written to your Majesty not to send Mr. Mai to him, but some one who could examine the case theologically, and see that the substance of the whole is what has been written here, because that prior is the person with whom the bishop of London negociated most. Recommends the Emperor to write a letter to the prior, accepting his services, and charging him henceforth to obey Niño's instructions, without naming the king or queen of England. I hope to send you shortly another opinion made by our opponents. Has great fear the king of England, with the authority of the bishops of his kingdom, will obtain the divorce *de facto*, and not care to litigate the case in the Rota. This is what his agents say he will do. * * * Venice, 30 Nov. '30.

Sp., pp. 9, modern copy from Simancas.

30 Nov. **6743.** MARGARET OF SAVOY to CHARLES V.

Analectes Belgiques, I. 378. Is so ill that she expects death. Leaves him her sole heir. Leaves to him the countries here, which she has not only kept, but greatly augmented. Recommends him to keep peace, especially with the kings of France and England. Wishes him to remember her servants. Malines, 30 Nov. 1530.

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30 Nov. **6744.** VAUGHAN to CROMWELL.

R. O. St. P. VII. 268. Arrived today at Mechlin. Lady Margaret is very ill, and in danger of her life. The Emperor is expected in these parts about Candlemas; he is busily practising to make his brother king of the Romans. The country

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is much damaged by inundations. Spermaceti is not worth so much as you told me, but "I use such policy for the utterance thereof," as I trust will be acceptable. Sends the globe by the bearer, Robert Frelove, who has taken pains to get it trimmed; it is a singular good piece of work. Will write to Mr. Treasurer (Tuke) when he learns anything sure; would like to have his money from Clarencieux. Antwerp, St. Andrew's Day.

The bearer of the globe will deliver you a book of all things set forth in the same.

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30 Nov. **6745.** CROKE to HENRY VIII.

R. O. Records of the Reformation, i. 462.

Went to see Parisius at Padua in consequence of the persuasion of his friends, who said it would be for no little preferment of the King's cause. He first showed Croke the Emperor's letters, requiring him to counsel for the Queen, and said that he had a special command from the Senate not to meddle in the King's favor. This order he imputed to Vincent de Russo, dean of the College of lawyers at Padua, whom the Prothonotary brought to Stokesley, and who immediately noised throughout Padua that the case was between the King and Queen, and hindered the matter all he could. Before this rumor, Parisius said that he would gladly have given his counsel for 80 cr. He told Croke that the Senate had cited Mark de Mantua for writing in the King's favor, and blamed the indiscretion of Dr. Antonius ab Angelo, who openly offered money, in the common hall at Padua, to all doctors who would subscribe the counsel,—not regarding whether they were learned or unlearned, canonist or civilian. This, Parisius bade him show the King, was very slanderous, not only to the subscriptions, but to the cause. Judged that these reports of his came from the desire of his own advancement, as he said that Francischinus de Curta had 60 cr. to hold his peace, until he [Croke] heard from divers sad men who love and honor the King, that they lament this handling of the King's cause. The doctors who have not subscribed will not now do so, being afraid in consequence of the citing of Mark de Mantua. Many of the Imperialists boast that the king of England has only rascals to subscribe for him, and yet was obliged to give them money. These and other words made the vicar of the potestate of Padua break his promise to subscribe; and his example alone would have won 100, for he has borne room in most of the great cities belonging to the Signory. The King must earnestly expostulate with the Signory "for forbidding them that hath taken earnest of your Highness not to write for the same." Parisius bade Croke show the King that if he were discharged of their commands and the Emperor's requests, he would gladly write for the King; or if the King will give him 1,500 cr. a year by an abbey or prebend, he will forsake the Venetians and Emperor, and serve the King in Rome. Is purposely destitute of money, that he may do nothing in the King's cause, but hopes shortly to bring a number of subscriptions. Venice, 30 Nov.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add. Endd. by Wriothesley.*

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2. A list of the doctors of the college of Padua, arranged in three columns. *Subscripti consilio Mantuæ*, 29; *non subscripti*, 32, of whom 11 are absent; and *in dubio*, 12.

Pp. 2. *Endd. by Croke:* Copia nominum doctorum Patavinorum, scripta per unum ex judicibus Patavinis.

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3. Draft of the above letter.

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6746. HENRY SAVELL to LORD HUSEY.

I thank you for your letter. I presume you have spoken with my wife's friends, and they will "sew the law." The truth is, they have no such cause, and I trust no man of conscience shall have, to reverse the judgment given at York; for they were her friends and my enemies, until judgment came by wrong information given by her father to them, which appears by their letters sent from the Dean to my lord Cardinal in their favor, which put me to pain at the time. I can give you no answer, if I will agree to have it at Stamford, until I speak with my counsel; "and I shall promise you, Sir, it shall cost me that as I may make, and whilst I live I will take her as my wife, and never agree to the contrary, and ever follow the law as I may to attain her. But the effect of my business is caused by my lord Darcy, as ye know; and I beseech you to show him, if it please him to remember, I am his kinsman; and they shall make no information but ever I shall approve that there is no craft in me, but that all my meaning is to get the truth tried out. Sir, if my lord Darcy would be good to me, I trust I should do him or his as great pleasure as they will do; and I am of his blood, and it is no honor to him for malice to put me to trouble that would be glad to do him pleasure, and also it is great conscience this to withhold my wife; and my belief is, afore a year be passed, both he and I shall be judged where the judge shall know the intent of every one of us. And it please you, I would be glad ye could make him my good lord, though ye put me to some pain."

Copy, in Darcy's hand, p. 1. *Endd. by him:* The copy of a letter sent to my Lord Huss[ey] from Henry Savell, in November, anno 22°.

6747. [MAI to the COMENDADOR MAYOR.]

Add. 28,582, f. 108. B. M.

* * * The king of England has answered that he will help this enterprise against the Turks if the cause matrimonial be remitted into England, or at least into France, "que disen ellos que es sin sospecha otramente se quexan del Papa y disen que no tienen rason de ayudarle como si esta causa fuesse suia." * * *

Sp., pp. 4. *Modern copy from Simancas.*

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6748. CARDINAL WOLSEY.

1. Wolsey's Funeral.

"Pro memoria perpetua R^mi^ Dom. in loco sepulturæ." For two chantries, 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* For alms yearly, 10*l.* For three commemorations yearly, 15*l.* For the ministers of the church at each commemoration, (estimated) 10*l.* For the ministers of the church on the day of the anniversary, 11*l.* For ringing the bells, 26*s.* 8*d.* For pittance, 10*l.*

P. 1. *In Wriothesley's hand.*

Titus, B. I. 80. B. M.

2. Plate given by Wolsey to the monastery of St. Alban's, to be always in the custody of the prior, and to serve for the use of the same.

A bason and ewer, parcel gilt. 2 standing pots of silver, parcel gilt. 2 salts, with one cover, gilt. A standing cup, with a cover, gilt.

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3. The number of the officers and grooms, and the horses in my Lord's stable.

Master of the horses. Yeoman of the horses, 60*s.* a year. Ferror. Saddler for my Lord's own saddle, 60*s.* a year, and another. Saddler for the carriage mules, 60*s.* a year.

Horses and grooms. 5 mules for my Lord's own saddle. 6 "cross, mass, and vallance horses." 6 horses to wait on my Lord at Hampton Court and other places. 5 sumpter

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horses. 6 carriage mules. A fore horse and a thill horse. 5 "male and bottell." 2 post horses, 2 cater horses. 9 keepers, at 26*s.* 8*d.* a year. The chariot man, at 30*s.* 4*d.* Board wages, 16*d.* a week.

Yearly cost:—4 loads of hay for each horse, at 6*s.* 8*d.* a load. A bushel of provender a week, 6½ q. a year, at 2*s.* a q. Apparel for my Lord's own saddle, 10*l.* For the crosse, masse, and vallance horses, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; for the rest, 5*s.* a horse. Shoeing, 4*s.* a horse. (The last 4 items are struck out.)

Pp. 4. *Corrected by Wolsey.*

R. O. 4. Silks and cloths of gold which my lord's Grace hath of Francis de Barde.

Pieces of purple cloth of gold, at 43*s.* 4*d.* a yard; and crimson, at 50*s.* Crimson velvet on velvet pirled, at 45*s.* White cloth of gold, at 24*s.*

Cloths of gold and baudekins which my lord's Grace hath of Richard Fermour.

Pieces of blue baudekin, at 17*s.* a yard. White baudekyn, flourished with blue, green, and gold, at 14*s.* White baudekyn, rich, at 17*s.* Baudekyn flourished with gold, and red, blue, and green silk, at 14*s.* White baudekyn, coarse, with gold, at 13*s.* A remnant of velvet vigorye, red and orange, at 12*s.* Cloth of gold, church work, red velvet upon velvet, at 23*s.* 4*d.*

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R. O. 5. Plate delivered to Wolsey by Robt. Amadas, from 9 Hen.VIII.

Due to Amadas, by a bill signed by Wolsey, payable at Michaelmas 9 Hen. VIII., 356*l.* 17*s.* Delivered by Mr. Tonnes and Bully, my Lord's servants, two cups of assay, silver gilt, 13 oz. 3½ q., at 5*s.* the oz. Delivered by Mr. Battis, my Lord's servant, 9 fodder ½ cwt. of peyke lead, at 4*l.* 5*s.* the fodder. Delivered against New Year tide a gold flower set with stones of my Lord's own store, 2*l.* 4*s.* 1*d.* A pair of gilt pots chased . . . . . teulles and Margaret flowers, a pr. of gilt . . . . . with castles, and a [pair] of gilt flagons, weighing in all 897 oz., at 3*s.* 10*d.*

Plate delivered to Wolsey by Amadas, beginning . . . May 10 Hen.VIII., as appears by a book signed by Robt. Tonnes.

Due to Amadas, by a bill dated 11 May 10 Hen.VIII., 66*l.* 7*s.* 23 May 11 Hen.VIII.:—A silver gilt pillar of 156 oz. A high cross made after the fashion of that of cardinal Campeggio, 25 oz. Silver gilt spangles for his footman's coat, 15½ oz. 3 silver gilt pins with stones, lost by Sir Water, clerk of the closet. To Geo. Huxor, goldsmith, 300 oz. of sterling silver, at 3*s.* 4*d.* For making an image of Our Lady in a tabernacle, and a weight of a cross of silver gilt with Mary and John with a great foot of silver, toward the making of the great new cross with the flying angels and the foot thereof, and also for making 2 images of Peter and Paul, 147 oz. 6 great bowls with a cover, made with martlets, 348 oz. 1 table, ruby, for my Lord's cross, set with 4 rubies, 53*s.* 4*d.* Gilding 2 silver altar basons, and graving them with my Lord's arms. 4 oz. of small pearls for the embroidery of the copes. A fine gold bracelet. For the overplus of gold for the 2 crosses, 10 oz. Making 4 gold rings, and setting the stones. Mending and gilding my Lord's inkhorn. Soldering and new gilding a cruse. Mending 2 silver book clasps, and making flowers to them. Mending a flower for an image in a tabernacle. A garnish of silver vessel bought of Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam of the Court, 1080¼ oz. 5 silver bowls parcel gilt, 333 oz. 3 great gilt bowls with high feet, 181 oz. 6 bowls with martletts and birds, 557½ oz. 6 candlesticks with leopards' heads and cardinals' hats, made at Bruges, 297 oz., with a leather case. A silver cross staff with a gilt pommel for the chapel, 83½ oz. 2 great gilt pots chased, 315 oz. Mending an old pillar. To John Beynyarde, goldsmith, by Mr. Gostwike's request, 100 oz. of sterling, for making harness for a mule. To John Harlam, for mending 2 pillars. To Geo. Huyxsor, goldsmith, for making a standing cup for the King's New Year gift, 135*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.*; fine gold, at 40*s.* the oz.; fine silver, at 3*s.* 6*d.*, 5 oz. of crown gold, at 36*s.* 8*d.* for the roll, with scriptures that went about the cross with stones that was offered at Canterbury. To Stevin Howmbill, embroiderer,

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spangles for the footmen's coats. 100 oz. of sterling silver for making the Salutation of Our Lady in a tabernacle. Received from Wolsey at Hampton Court, 3 Dec. 14 Hen. VIII., 100 cr. at 4*s.* 4*d.*; and delivered to him a cup of crown gold worth 124*l.* 15*s.* 5*d.* Making 13 chains of fine gold when my Lord went to Guisnes, 13*l.* Making a great chain worn by Mr. Page, my Lord's servant, when my Lord and the bishop of Durham went to Calais, weighing 200 lb., 40*s.* 10 Aug. 1523, a great ale pot, 117¼ oz. Total, 1,144*l.* 2*s.*

26 Sept.:—Received and bought from Wolsey, 13 cups, goblets, candlesticks, &c., and 3,750 ducats *de camera*, at 4*s.* 4*d.*, from Barnarde bishop of Palencia, and Antony Vyvalde, merchant of Genoa. Total, 1,042*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.* Rest due to Amadas, 101*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.*

Account of the links lacking from the gold chains, made when Wolsey went to Guisnes, and returned to Amadas. Sum due, 20*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*, for chains delivered to Botterell, Mr. Ferfaxe, Mr. Arrondell, Mr. Deonyse, Mr. Butlar, Mr. Connyers, and Mr. Dudley.

Pots and bowls delivered to Wolsey by Amadas, to the value of 363*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.*, in exchange for plate worth 487*l.* 16*s.* 4½*d.* Due to Wolsey, 124*l.* 7*s.* 2½*d.*

Plate made for the abbey of St. Alban's, and old plate new dressed up:—Pots, bowls, ewers, candlesticks, a spice plate, gilt and enamelled, called the Edward of Carnarvyn, spoons, &c., 378*l.* 2*s.*

Plate received from St. Alban's, various articles to the value of 402*l.* 12*s.* 9¼*d.*

Plate supplied by Amadas, for the furnishing of St. Friswurthis College in Oxford:—A censer, with silver chains, garnished with the apostles Andrew, Peter, and Paul. A gilt chalice, the foot of 6 panes; with a crucifix, and Mary and John enamelled in the foot. A gilt paten with Almighty God sitting on a rainbow. 2 gilt cruets marked with A. and V. A gilt ship with a spoon, &c. = 309*l.* 1*s.* 3½*d.*

Delivered to Wolsey:—A gold cup, with a pelican on the top. A gold cup, with an angel, roses, a shield, and a crown imperial, given to the King for a New Year's gift. A carcanet for my lord of Richmond. 1 oz. 2 dwt. of crown gold for mending my Lord's mitre, &c. = 242*l.* 10*s.*

Parcels delivered to my Lord by Mr. Alverde.

Mending a silver gridiron, a gilt bowl, and other things. 2 "amellis" for altar basons. Mending a parcel gilt bason of Brydges touch, and making "thamell and the bussell" with my Lord's arms. A silver salt "for the christening of a child, which the King was godfather and my said Lord, at Greenwich." A garter of crown gold with buckle and pendant. A "corse of stoulewerk," for the buckle and pendant, &c. = 72*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.*

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6. Copy of part of the above.

Gutch's Collectanea Curiosa, II. 283.

7. A duplicate of the preceding, with additions at the end, of which the following are the principal items:—

Plate delivered to Wolsey, and mending other plate received from Mr. Alverd since 20 March 17 Hen. VIII.:—Platters, saucers, altar candlesticks, two garnish of silver vessel bought from my lord of Durham's executors. Mending one of my Lord's pillars. A pair of parcel gilt flagons, delivered to the dean of Wells, &c.

Received, to make silver plate of, since 6 Feb. 17 Hen. VIII., images of Our Lady and St. Stephen, two white pillars, old flagons, &c.

Parcels delivered to Wolsey by Amadas and Cornelis, his goldsmiths:—Crosses, bracelets, two chains, and a whistle, a seal for the college at Oxford, a gold cup for the King's New Year's gift, anno 17, a garter of crown gold for the duke of Richmond. New setting the King's picture in a ring. A crown gold ring with a sapphire and the King's picture. A regestar of gold. 3 silver gilt knops for a bed. A "rector cory" staff, silver gilt, 117 oz. ½ q. A gold cup for the King's New Year's gift, anno 19.

24 Dec. anno 18:—A gilt cup with a cover for the christening of the earl of Rutland's son at Envilde.

20 Oct. anno 18:—A great silver seal for my Lord's prerogative. Barge hire for plate to Hampton Court when the French ambassadors were there, 25*s.*

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Plate received by Amadas from Wolsey, as appears by indentures signed by Dr. Stevyn and Amadas, 12 Sept. 18 Hen.VIII.:—Two gilt standing cups, with Mr. Dalbyes arms and St. Margaret on the top. Other cups, with roses, columbines, and other devices. Pots, bowls, covers, &c., parcel gilt, and a shaving bason, and other articles in white plate.

Total of the sums due to Amadas, 5,002*l.* 0*s.* 9¾*d.*

Total due to Wolsey, 3,301*l.* 18*s.* 10¾*d.*

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Gutch's Collectanea Curiosa, I. 204.

8. Extracts from a book containing the costs and expences at Christchurch College, Oxford, from 1 Nov. 20 Hen. VIII. to 24 Oct. 21 Hen.VIII.

Quarries at Cotteswold, Barrenton, Edinton, Burford, Stowe the Old, Sherburne, Brokynton, Lepers Quarry at Taynton, Lambert's Quarry. Repairing of the highway between Boll Shipton and the cross upon Hedington Hills, 34*l.* 8*s.* 5*d.* Six plates for the griffin's foot upon the femerell of the kitchen, 2*s.* 2*d.* Mending locks and hinges in Peckwater's Inn, 18½*d.* Scaffolds for taking down the old steeple, 111*s.* 4*d.* 147 of my lord's Grace's arms for the windows of the new hall, at 6*s.* 8*d.*; and 146 bends or posies called *Dominus mihi adjutor*, at 12*d.*

Limekilns at Kirtlyngton, Staunton, Beckley and Hedington.

Railing of the new bridge over the water in Cowley Mead, between St. Edmund's Well and the east side of the College. Wages of Mr. David Griffits, priest, for keeping the monastery of St. Frideswide, and saying Divine service, from the suppression till the stalling of the dean and canons in the college, also for overseeing the workmen for 13 months, 7*l.*

Mr. Rowland Messenger, comptroller of the works. Mr. Jo. Smith, auditor.

Boards for the lodgings at the almshouse and Gloucester college, at 12*d.* the hundred. To Thos. Cowper and Philip Lentall, clerks to the auditor, for 5 years, 66*s.* 8*d.*

Total expence, 1 Nov. 20 Hen.VIII. to 24 Oct. 21 Hen.VIII., 7,835*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*

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Gutch's Collectanea Curiosa, II. 334.

9. "Parcels of plate delivered to my lord Cardinal by me, Robert Amadas, as appeareth by one pair of indentures, signed with the hand of master Dr. Capon, and me, Robert Amadas, bearing date the 9th day of July, anno xx. for his college of Gypswiche."

Gilt images of St. John the Evangelist, St. John the Baptist, Mary Magdalen, St. Barbara and St. Anne. Received from Wolsey 13 images of Saints Francis, Antony, Elizabeth, king Henry of Windsor, &c., and a holy-water stock.

Plate new dressed up and mended for the college, 19 July:—Basons with my Lord's arms. Images of St. Catherine and Our Lady. A great cross. A silver gilt monstrauns with a round byrrall to put reliques in. Chalices and censers. A chrismatory. Two silver gilt ships. A "gospiller" garnished with silver gilt and counterfeit stones, with an image of the crucifix, and Mary and John. Mazers, salts, &c.

Plate received of my Lord by the hands of Mr. Alvarde, to be broken, worth 103*l.* 18*s.*; for which was delivered to the college at Ipswich three bowls, and on 19 Aug., at Hampton Court, to my Lord, two altar candlesticks with his arms; censers, basons, and a silver seal for the college.

Two silver gilt clasps for the great "apistiller." To card. Campeggio, a silver gilt cross. Several rings, by the hands of my lord of Carlisle. 2 silver seals for the bishopric of Winchester.

Delivered to Wm. Draper of Greenwich, and Edward Bowton of Woolwich, 100*l.* for the inning of Woolwich marsh, as appears by obligation dated 2 Nov. 20 Hen.VIII. To Ric. Gybson, sergeant-at-arms, and Thos. Tonge, Norrey herald, for the same purpose, 100*l.*

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Total delivered to Wolsey by Amadas, from 9 July anno xx. to 20 Oct. anno xxi., 790*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.*

Total received by Amadas from Wolsey, 514*l.* 10*s.* 1*d.*

Due to Amadas, 275*l.* 19*s.* 1*d.*

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R. O. 10. Delivered to Robt. Amadas, goldsmith, 29 Aug. 10 Hen. VIII., 5,113 oz. fine gold, 513½ oz. 2 dwt. crown gold, and 367½ oz. 1½ dwt. base gold, whereof delivered 200 oz. fine gold to Wm. Holland, goldsmith.

Signed by Amadas.

R. O. 11. Parcels of plate and account of repairs done for Wolsey by Robt. Amadas, delivered to Mr. Alforde since 17 March 20 Hen. VIII.

Platters, dishes and saucers marked A, B, C, D, E, and F; gilt goblets stircken with martlets; mending a quart pot, and soldering the "cardners" on the lids; mending a cover to a perfume; dressing up and burnishing 2 garnish of silver vessels bought from my lord of Durham's executors; mending a fumitory; mending one of my Lord's pillars brought by Dr. Allen; a pair of parcel gilt flagons for the dean of Wells; and other articles = 145*l.* 0*s.* 9½*d.*

In payment for which, received since 6 Feb. 17 Hen. VIII., images of Our Lady and St. Stevyn and other plate, to the value of 90*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.* Due to Amadas, 54*l.* 8*s.* 7*d.*

Plate delivered to Wolsey by Robt. Amadas and Cornelius Hais, goldsmith:—Two crosses, a flat bracelet; polishing an emerald and two rubies; mending gold tablets; "culryshing" a cup, 14 Nov. 17 Hen. VIII.; a seal for the college at Oxford; a cup of gold for the King's New Year's gift, 17 Hen. VIII.; a garter of crown gold for my lord of Richmond; 24 Feb., new setting the King's picture in a ring; a ring of crown gold set with a sapphire and the King's picture; 27 Dec., a cup of crown gold for the King's New Year's gift; a register of gold; 4 July 17 Hen. VIII., 4 silver gilt knobs for a bed; for the college at Oxford, 3 gilt crosses; a silver gilt "rectar cory staff"; at Canterbury, when my Lord went over sea, the garnishing of a pot of earth with silver and gilt; 9 Dec. 19 Hen. VIII., a cross, part crystal, garnished with silver gilt; 1 Jan. 19 Hen. VIII., a cup of crown gold for the King's New Year gift, 150*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*; 24 Dec. 18 Hen. VIII., a gilt cup for the christening of the earl of Rutland's son at Enfield; 20 Oct. 18 Hen. VIII., a great seal of silver for my Lord's prerogative; 3 July 19 Hen. VIII., dressing and mending two flagons, against my Lord's going over the sea to France; barge hire and carts for conveying plate to Hampton Court when the French ambassadors were there, &c. = 1,316*l.* 17*s.* 5¼*d.*

Plate received from Wolsey by Amadas, as appears by an indenture, signed by Dr. Stevyn and Amadas, dated 12 Sept. 18 Hen. VIII. Standing cup with Mr. Dalby's arms, with porteullises, fleur de lys, columbines, and other devices, salts, spoons, &c., a cake of fine siver, 380½ oz. Total, 630*l.* 11*s.* 0¼*d.*

Due to Amadas, 686*l.* 6*s.* 5*d.*

Total of plate delivered from 9 Hen. VIII. to 19 Hen. VIII., 5,002*l.* 0*s.* 9¾*d.*

Received, 3,301*l.* 18*s.* 10½*d.*

Delivered to Wolsey for the College at Ipswich, by indenture signed by Dr. Capon and Amadas, dated 9 July 20 Hen. VIII., gilt images of St. John the Evangelist, St. John the Baptist, Mary Magdalen, St. Barbara and St. Anne, 77*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.*; and received in payment other images of saints, and a holy-water stock, to the value of 77*l.* 5*s.* 5*d.*

Plate new dressed up and amended for the college of Ipswich, 19 July 20 Hen. VIII.:—Images of St. Katharine and Our Lady; a great silver gilt cross, with a crucifix and Mary and John; a silver gilt monstraunce with a round birrall to put relics in, a silver gilt chrismatory, a gospeller garnished with silver gilt and counterfeit stones, with an image of the crucifix, and Mary and John, masars, salts, cruets, &c., 5*l.*

Received from Mr. Alvarde, to be broken up, 548½ oz. of plate, 103*l.* 18*s.*

Delivered, bowls, altar candlesticks, a verger rod, a seal for the college of Ipswich, 86*l.* 15*s.* Paid by Wolsey's order to Robt. Couper of London, goldsmith, 60*l.*; 1 Oct.,

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by Dr. Stubbis, 2 clasps for the great "apistillar"; 7 Oct., a silver gilt pillar, to card. Campeggio; 2 rings set with a great emerald and a diamond; a pair of beads of "lapis lazary"; mending a man bearing a pearl; clasps for messbooks; a ring with a pointed diamond, by the hands of my lord of Carlisle; a chain and hook for 2 casting bottles; garnishing a staff with crown gold; 20 May, a silver seal for the bishopric of Winchester; paid by Wolsey's order to Wm. Draper of Greenwich, and Edw. Bowton of Woolwich, for "innyng" Woolwich Marsh, as appears by obligation, dated 2 Nov. 20 Hen. VIII., 100*l.*; and a similar sum to Ric. Gybson, sergeant-at-arms, and Thos. Tonge, Norrey herald, for the same purpose.

Total, from 9 July 20 Hen. VIII. to 20 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII., 790*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.*

Total received by Amadas, 514*l.* 10*s.* 1*d.*

Due to Amadas, 275*l.* 19*s.* 1*d.*

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R. O. 12. Inventory of plate and goods belonging to the cardinal of York, found in his castle of Cawood by Henry earl of Northumberland, warden of the East and Middle Marches, Walter Walch, one of the gentlemen of the privy chamber, and the new abbot of St. Mary's without the walls of York.

Gilt Plate:—A new pot, 108 oz. A basin and ewer, pounced and enamelled with fleur de lys, 88 oz. A bowl and cover, with my lord Cardinal's arms, 54 oz. A bowl and cover, pounced, with the rose upon the double "rigue," 40 oz. 6 bowls, pounced, with Wolsey's arms, 178 oz. 4 candlesticks, with "*nooses*" and prickets. A laver with a spout like a dragon. A pair of chapel candlesticks. A holy-water stock and sprinkle. Images of St. Margaret, with a relic in her hand and Wolsey's arms in her foot; of St. Katharine, St. Eustace, and St. George. A pair of covered basins, with sunbeams, and Wolsey's arms. 10 trenchers. 5 spice plates, chased with "antilles" (antiques?) and wild beasts. A standing cup with a king on the top. 2 standing cups, with pelicans in the bottom. Salts, with covers. A pair of cruets. An ale cruse, with a cover, the ears dragons. A cup of assay, with leopard's heads in the bottom. A casting bottle for rose water. A standish standing upon 4 lions, with silver scissors. A gilt pax, enamelled with flowers. A crucifix with Mary and John, and the foot of birrall. A gilt ship. A chalice and paten enamelled with the crucifix and the Trinity; another with Mary and John; another with the vernacle in the paten. 13 spoons with Christ and the Apostles. A spoon with an angel. A cruet of burall, the foot and head gilt and set with pearl; and many other items, with the weight of each stated.

Parcel-gilt plate:—2 candlesticks with true loves and double crosses. 2 cruets. A holy-water stock and sprinkle. A standbox. A pot with a pelican on the cover. 2 chafing dishes. A bowl with a cover, having the broad arrow and leopard's head; others with rose and pomegranate, and pelicans. Basons, with roses, sunbeams, and Wolsey's arms. Ewers with various devices. 6 trenchers. A pyx with a foot, and a crucifix upon the top. An ale pot with a pelican upon the cover. A pair of pots enamelled with R. and C. on the cover. 2 censers with leopards' heads. 2 candlesticks, and other articles.

White plate:—A great ale pot with a lion on the nose. 6 candlesticks. 5 spoons. 23 saucers. 24 dishes. 23 platters, &c.

The wardrobe of beds:—A cloth of estate of plain cloth of gold. Counterfeit arras of the stories of Pryamus (*sic*), with 3 goddesses holding a golden apple in their hands; Paris presenting Ellena to Priamus and Eccuba; Priamus saluting Ellena; Priamus crowning Ellena; Priamus and Eccuba in green apparel, "setting in a thorne" (throne); sacraments of matrimony; Cupido shooting an arrow at a woman with an arrow in her breast; a gentleman washing his hands at a fountain; a man digging up a vine with a spade; a man selling galley ware; two men setting a crown upon another's head; one offering a cup of wine to a man in harness; pieces of the story of Octavian, having a king and a queen and a little white dog at their feet, a queen holding a sceptre downward, a

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queen on a blue throne holding a sceptre, a white dog gnawing a bone, and one sitting in a "thorne" with flames of yellow in the top; 2 pieces of the Salutation, Our Lady sitting "in a thornne," with her child in her arms, and figures of the Old Testament, with a woman holding a scripture of *salve regina*; the four complexions, Maloncolne, Sanguine, Fleugmatique, and Collerique, with scriptures upon their bodies; two pieces of Salamon, *de judicio puerorum interfectorum inter nutrices* and *de thesauro invento;* the passion of Christ; Pilate washing his hands; Christ before Pilate, with a white cloth on his head; Christ taken from the cross, and the Resurrection; Christ on the cross, pierced with the spear; Christ praying in the garden, and brought before Pilate; Christ sitting at his maundy; 6 hangings for the chapel, 2 angels holding the sacrament in a great pix, the three kings of Collayn, a woman with a pair of balances and a sword, a king sick in a bed, a king taking a harnessed man by the hands, and Christ beating merchants out of the temple.

Tapestry:—Pieces of hawking and hunting; a dog carrying a bolt out of the water; a wild boar with 2 arrows in him; a dog and a hawk taking an heronsewe; two dogs harnessed biting a griffin; a gentlewoman having a duck in her hand, playing with a "ronges" spaniel; a fool taking his coxcomb in his hand; a woman taking a bear by the head amongst dogs; a bow drawn, and a heronsewe and a hawk in the compass thereof. *Filius Prodigus* taking his substance of his father, revelling *cum meretricibus*, one bearing away a coat of a man arrested; *Filius Prodigus* feeding among swine, and sitting at dinner with his father. Job sitting upon the dunghill, and at dinner with his eldest son. 4 pieces of stories called Salisbury, with 22 images, two gentlewomen holding a crown over a man's head, and one piece with the word *Florentyne* written in the midst. The story of Celydonya, of the description of a town.

Verdours:—8 pieces of a wilderness. 13 pieces of small flowers. 6 pieces of trees.

Three foot carpets. 4 table carpets. 4 Venice cupboard carpets. 21 plain window carpets. 6 cushions of velvet figury. 12 cushions of cloth of gold. 7 cushions of black and blue velvet; and 2 of tawny and one of red satin. A sparver and counterpoint embroidered with "hartes and marthmaydes." Sellours and testours of velvet, sarcenet, and satin, with counterpoints and curtains. A crimson velvet canopy. 2 traverses, red and green, and red and blue sarcenet. 6 chairs, of cloth of gold and velvet. Counterpoints, quilts, fustians, blankets, pillows, beds, sumpter cloths, diaper and linen cloths. Red and green say hangings for the hall and other places. 2 Flanders chests and a spruce chest. 11 candle plates of latten. 5 pair of andirons and other fire irons. Bags for packing beds. Bare hides and cloth sacks.

Chapel stuff:—Red cloth vestments, after the Roman fashion, "with diacon and subdiacon of the same." Other vestments of crimson velvet; white damask, with *Maria* embroidered; blue velvet embroidered with lions; and others of satin, bawdekyn, dornix, and say. Copes of purple, crimson, and blue velvet; bawdekyn, blue and green satin, and white damask.

Oxford stuff belonging to the chapel:—Three copes, 2 vestments, 4 parchment antiphoners, a parchment legend, 3 parchment gradiales.

A "red dorse" and an "underdorce" of cloth of gold and crimson velvet. 24 altar cloths, some embroidered with leopards' heads and flowers. 4 old corporas cases. An old white sarcenet vail cloth. A super altare. Printed mass books, parchment and paper. A parchment "porthouse" with silver clasps. 2 written parchment mass books, clasped with silver, one covered with crimson, the other with black velvet. 4 antiphoners, and 3 grayles, written on parchment.

Things in the custody of Mr. Disney:—A little gilt ale cruse with a cover. A goblet cover with Wolsey's arms. A cruse cover with a rose on the top.

The spicery:—Various quantities of pepper, mace, cloves, cinnamon, ginger, dates. French prunes, damask prunes, raisin currants, rice, rice flour, turnesall, sugar loaves, sukket, green ginger, great raisins, liquorice, capers, soap, black soap, gray soap, straining cloth, spun cotton, "sapruce" wick, torch wick, unwrought wax, rosin, olive oil, torches,

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writing and brown paper, links, a beam and scales, weights, a mortar and pestle, a "gardeviance," and 2 chests, and 3 pair of balances.

The ewery stuff:—Table cloths, towels, napkins, 2 gardeviandes, and 2 trussing chests.

The pantry stuff:—Bread towels, napkins, purpanes, and gardeviandes.

The buttery:—16 leather cans.

The cellar:—1½ puncheon of French wine. 1 hhd. Gascon wine, "to be reserved for my Lord." 1 hhd. white wine, set on broach. 2 hhds. red wine.

The pastry:—3 peels and a colander.

The larder:—A powdering tub.

The great kitchen:—Spits, pans, pots, skimmers, caldrons, &c., and similar utensils in my Lord's kitchen.

"*The squillery of powder*:"—Counterfeit platters and dishes, with arms; household platters and dishes, &c.

The bakehouse:—A bread basket, 8 balks, 4 pieces of lead, and a bushel measure.

The brewhouse:—Tubs, "kylers," fats, leads, hops, empty hogsheads, and "stock-maundes of reddes for bere brewers."

The stable:—The cross horse, a great grizzled gelding, trotting, with harness. The pillar horse, a black trotting horse, with white face and 2 feet, called *Metecalf*, with his apparel of broad leather. For the Cardinal's own saddle, a white dappled gray ambling hobby, with black velvet apparel; gray and white ambling mules, with black velvet apparel to serve both. For yeomen and grooms: — two white ambling nags, called *Jake of Derby* and *Auditour*; a trotting gray old gelding; a gray ambling gelding for the "bulgedes;" and a black ambling gelding with a white face, white snip on the nose, and white heel. Sumpter horses:—a sad bay, ambling and trotting horse, with a black list. A grizzled bay ambling gelding, with a white star on the forehead, and white snip on the nose. A black ambling gelding, with a mealy mouth. A sad bay trotting gelding; a grizzled ambling gelding, and 21 other trotting and ambling geldings and storehorses, with their apparel. 19 cart horses. 6 geldings and a little gray trotting nag for gentlemen. A gray ambling gelding, with a pack-sadddle. A bay gelding for the cater. In the pasture, in the keeping of Wm. Smyth, 8 mares and foals, 9 young geldings, 2, 3, and 4 yrs. old, marked and burned with cross keys, and an old bay stallion. 110 oxen and stotts in Rest and Beverley parks, and in the close at Cawod town end. 440 wethers in the closes at Cawod town end, and Selby's town end. Bay salt, 4 tuns 1 pipe at Cawood, and 10 hhds. at Suthwell and Scroby.

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R. O. 13. Account of cloths of issue and cloths of gold delivered to the late lord Cardinal by John Cavalcanty and Peter Francis de Barde, of which they never received any part.

i. Money paid at Rome for the bulls of Durham eight years ago, as appears by a reckoning delivered to Wolsey by Cromwell, and by a bill signed and sealed by Wolsey himself, 175*l.* For 2 pieces of cloth of gold delivered to him at the More, as appears by an indenture drawn by Master Stevens and signed by himself, 140*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* For 2 pieces of crimson silk camlet delivered to him in his gallery at York's Place, 21*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* For the balance of an account with Cavalcanti on 15 Feb. 1520 [1521], 87*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* For 311½ yards rich cloth of gold for the church, of divers colors, at 30*s.* a yard, and 195½ yards of a coarser cloth of gold, delivered at York's Place, as appears by a bill of Dr. Stubbes, 630*l.* 4*s.* 5*d.*

Total, 1,054*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.*; which sum was demanded of the Cardinal when he was at Asher by Antony Carsydony, factor of the above merchants. Then Wolsey acknowledged the debt, except 500 marks, which he said should be deducted from the above parcel of 630*l.*, as they had agreed to give him that sum "for a pleasure" in the above-mentioned tissues. To this Carsydony answered that they had promised to abate 500 marks in the

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price of the tissues; which they had already done, as could be proved by the quality of the stuff. On this Wolsey begged that the restoring of the 630*l.* might be deferred till the return of De Barde to England; which was agreed to. For the rest Wolsey promised to sue to the King for payment; and undertook that if the King would not pay it, he would do it himself. He further said that although the King had all the said cloths of tissues, he was very loth at that time to sue to him, having already given notice to the King and Council of the "said sum of 425*l.*" amongst other sums due by him to his creditors, which he hoped the King would pay.

ii. Petition to the King by the said merchants for payment, considering their long suit and charges.

R. O. 14. Arrears owed to the Cardinal for faculties expedited for three years ending 23 Oct. 21 Hen. VIII.

"Officium Receptionis facultatum."

From Thos. Yegge, for plurality, 6*l.* 10*s.* Thos. Hale, for union, 5*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* Thomas Wodmansey, for plurality, 6*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.* Alan Percie, for union, 9*l.* From Edw. Sponer, John Swale, Wm. Webster, Thos. Thorneton, Thomas Benet, Robt. Philippes, Ric. Baldwar, Thos. Aglionby, John Chambyr, Maurice Deonyse, John More and Eliz. Harwell, Ric. Putrell and Eliz. Bruce, John Denham, Thos. Snedall and John Murfynge, Robt. Morton, Gilbert Hill and Eliz. Walker, Denis Morison, Jas. Robyns and Joan Bete, Ric. ap David and Juliana Vitz Thomas, Oliver Ullake and Joan Gibson, George Smith, Thomas Conye, John Gruffith, John Barbour, Ric. Tottynham, Robt. Jonson, Thos. Lidgold, Ric. Harley *alias* Morton, Baldwin Gilbert and Nic. Skynner, Elias Smarte and Joan Humfrey, John Lucas, Thos. Johnes and Eliz. Vitz Thomas, Walter Woodward and Joan Tailour, John Popley, Ric. Bonde, John Symondes, Ric. ap John, and Joan Flemyng, Jas. Ayray, Geo. Marmyn, Thos. Dykyns, Robt. Thomson, Thos. Harper and Alice Broke, Thos. Fowle, John Topping, Roderic ap Jevan and Agnes Vitz David, Wm. Mychell, Edw. Blongate, Wm. Gibbes, Wm. Pike, Hen. Kenworth, Chr. Mychell, John Whitwell, John Holland, John Stanley, Robt. Hood, the collector for indulgences granted to the brotherhood of St. Cornelius, Westminster, Wm. Creting, Hen. Joye, Lawrence Spencer and Alice Swallow, Wm. Hamond, John Chubnall and Agnes Batt, Hugh Louther and Dorothy Clifford, Andrew Wodmytte, Wm. Chamberlayn, Wm. Conway, Nic. Brocket, Thos. White and Eliz. Cockes, Wm. Grace, Wm. Gray, John Harrys, Edw. Halyman, John Langford, Thos. Balam, John Kyngston, John Watwod, Robt. Wittney, Thos. Raynoldes, Jas. Middelmore, Ric. Heyton, Thos. Smyth and Jenet Pitt, Morgan David, John Lancaster *alias* Turnour, Humfrey Key, Ric. Hynton, Hen. and Joan Wellwright, Robt. Chamber and Agnes Wasshington, John Wodward, Adam More, Ric. Hill, Wm. Mooke, John Stapleton, Wm. Pare, Geoffrey ap Thomas, George Barnes and Alice Relf, the proctors of the guild of St. Cornelius, Philip Yorke and Eliz. Stevyns, John Combe, Bartholomew Cowde, Wm. Motershed, Ric. Harper, Jas. Rogers, John Glemford, Nic. Lee, John Holden, Wm. Harper, Walter Semer, John Payne, Robt. Eliold and Joan Selioke, Wm. Clerke, Wm. Popley and Grace Rodney, Robt. Franklen, Edw. Torrell, John Kirkebie, John Polken, Wm. Russell, John Moreton and Joan Ellys, Wm. Westwray, Thos. Rouland, abbot of Abingdon, Wm. Perfey, Ralph Kempe, Ric. Heys, Benedict Mulsho, John Fissher, Wm. Baker, John Hurte, Jas. Penglas, Robt. Blackebourne, Walter Sydenham, John Neiler, Ric. Philpote, John Maynman, the chaplain "in ponte Cothie," Wm. Smyth, Wm. Paynet, John Stratton, George Poole, Ric. Crispyn, Hen. Herteley, Hen. Perpoynt, John Mabbes, Wm. Tenaunte, John Rampeley, Wm. Buckeberd and Joan Tanner, Geo. Knottell and Agnes Rutter, Thos. Mydleton and Alice Wensterley, Gilbert Grerson and Eliz. Dalerumpell, Robt. Bigge, Wm. Smyth, Ric. Pescod, Jonet Linch and Margaret Skirret, Thos. Jurie, Hugh ap Richard, Wm. Thurgood and Joan Crabbe, John Bere, Griffin David Duye and Thos. Lloid.

Debts by obligations and bills from Sir Wm. Gascoigne, Wm. Chaundeler, rector of Thorcaston, Antony Draicote, rector of Draicote, Wm. Edwards, clerk, John Grenhill of Draiton, Esq., Henry Crosse of London, clerk, Wm. Chaundeler, clerk, Dan Ric. Whit-

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ington, cook, of Bordesley, Geoffrey Lloid, clerk, of St. David's dioc., John Grenyll of Oxfordshire, gent., Robt. James, chaplain of the bishop of Carlisle, John Pilkington, one of my Lord's cross-bearers, John Hasilwod of le Flete, John ap Rhes, clerk, of St. Asaph's dioc., Wm. Fordham, cellarer of Worcester monastery, Wm. Davys, clerk, Dr. Antony Draicote, Hugh Cletherall, priest, Jas. ap Jevan of Valle Crucis abbey, Wm. Vayne, abbot of Blanchland, John and Peter Griffith, John Godsalve, the prior of Launde, John Martyn of Ware, Humfrey Hill, Wm. Petley, my Lord's servant, John Warison of Ipswiche, John Shepe of London, clerk, John Foster of Leeds, weaver, Chr. Standisshe of London, gent., Wm. Wogan, John Roose, fellow of Merton College, Geo. Constantine, vicar of Sodgeley, Henry Burgh *alias* Borough, Dr. Thomson, Dr. Carbot, Margaret Sydenham, Edw. Haltman, Reginald ap Holl, David Lewis, John Pennand, Wm. Kentston, John Wawyne, Cuthbert Marshall, Henry Stanley, Ric. White, Ric. Vernam, John Ridley, John Wagot, Thos. Wogan, Thos. Davys, Aldred FitzJames, Thos. Justice and Thos. Wachell, Hen. Gurney, Humfrey Lisle, Robt. Holte, John Godsalve, Ric. Baynham, Wm. Benet, John Flemyng, Dr. John Bell, Dr. Claiburgh, for the dispensation of Robert Salisburie, abbot of Valle Crucis, Antony Lowe, Nic. Hurlton, Oliver Leder, Antony Skynner, Dr. Lee, John Wodward, Maurice Wogan, John Gostwike, Dr. Thos. Benet, Thos. Cade, Wm. Edwardes, —— Borough, marshal of my Lord's household, John Cooke, Jas. Clif, Wm. Lewes, Ralph Bollam, Robt. Soresbie, Wm. Benet, John Kechyne, Hugh Powell, Ric. Hawkes, Thos. Topcliff, Sir Fras. Brian, John Wensland, John bishop of Elphin, Jas. Sheffeld, John abbot of Boxley, Walter Bowles, Hugh Gwyn, John Griffith, Edmund Hughes, Geo. Crofte, John abbot of Missenden, Rhes Griffith, John Knevet, Robt. Collyns, Fulk Powell, Wm. Howell, John abbot of Strat Margel, Wm. Fordham, John Sencler, vice-chamberlain, Ric. Days, Dr. Claiburgh, for the tax of John Stephyns, chaplain to the marquis of Exeter, and for dispensations for John Egerton and Wm. Margent, and from Thomas Knolles.

Arrears due from John Hughes, receiver of the faculties, 3*l.* 0*s.* 7¼*d.* Total, 822*l.* 7*s.* 5¼*d.* *Lat. pp.* 19.

R. O. 15. "Creditor of such debts as the lord Cardinal ought unto divers persons at his departure from Cawood, and not yet paid."

To Robt. Creyke of Beverley, for 48 qrs. of wheat, 16*l.*; and 208 qrs. of malt, 48*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* To the brethren and sisters of the hospital of Kyllyngreve, for 20 qrs. of wheat, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* To Rob. Clerc, parish priest of Cawod, for 5 qrs. of wheat, 34*s.* 10*d.* To Rob. Sumpter and other persons, for provisions received by my Lord's officers against his stallation purposed at York, 90*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.* To Henry Posyer of London, grocer, for spices, 75*l.* 8*s.* 7*d.* To Rob. Hyggs of Boston, for wild fowl provided against my Lord's business at York, 53*s.* 4*d.* To Anthony Hammon, bailiff of Shirborne, for charcoal, wood and hay prepared against the coming of my Lord and his household to Cawod, 25*l.* 6*s.* 5½*d.* Arthur Nowell and his wife, my Lord's laundress, for washing his rochets and other fine napery, 6*l.* 10*s.* Thos. Pierson, apothecary, for medicines and confections, 8*l.* 4*s.* 5*d.* Rob. Couper of London, goldsmith, for Paris plate, 20*l.* 9*s.* 5½*d.* Wm. Aldreson of Hull, smith, for iron work at my Lord's manor of Scroby, 4*l.* 15[*s.*] Jas. Nicholson, glazier, for glazing Southwell, Scroby, and Cawod, 58*l.* John Forman, freemason of York, for stuff for my Lord's works, 10*l.* Thos. Mountein, keeper of the garden at Cawod, ex. . . . Rob. Browne of Newark, for money lent to my lord Cardinal for the repairs of Southwell Manor, 124 [*l.*] The college and chapter of Southwell, for freestone, timber, &c., 9*l.* Rogier Elys, for duties paid to Wm. Farmer, clerk of the Crown, for discharging my Lord's *præmunire* and entering his pardon, 4*l.* To John Croke, one of the six clerks of the Chancery, for the duplicate of the pardon, 2*l.* To Sir John Alen, aldermen of London, for arras sold to my Lord at his departure northwards, 83*l.* 12*s.* To Sir Leonell Noreys, for goods bequeathed to him by the bishop of Winchester in recompense of his service, and withheld by the Cardinal, 40*l.* To Henry Evererd, for the testament of John Broughton, Esq., whose goods came to the Cardinal's

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hand, 700*l.* To Sir Wm. Pallet, for ready money lent to the Cardinal, 40*l.* To Dr. Kellet of York, for money lent, 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* To the Master of Savoy, for money lent, 100*l.* To Wm. Disney, for money and goods bequeathed by the bishop of Winchester for 30 years service, whereof he was in possession and dispossessed by the Cardinal, 200*l.* To Rob. Amadas, for plate, 1,690*l.* 7*s.* To Ric. Gresham, mercer, 226*l.* 12*s.* 5*d.*, &c.

Total, 4,265*l.* 9*s.* 8½*d.*

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Fiddes' Coll. p. 210.

16. Collations by Wolsey as bishop of Winchester:—20 Jan. 1529, Wm. Boleyn, to the archdeaconry of Winchester; 14 July 1530, Edw. Lee, to the archdeaconry of Surrey; 1 Aug. 1530, Thomas Lupset, to the rectory of Cheriton, Hants; same date, John Hurte, to the rectory of Upham, ibid.; 26 Nov. 1530, Wm. Ermyght, to the rectory of Bishopstoke.

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17. Indenture between Wolsey and the town of Beverley, by which the burgesses having obtained Wolsey's pardon for having infringed on the rights of his see of York, bind themselves not to renew such usurpations by taking upon them to be clerks of the market within their town, appointing the price of victuals, or punishing offenders.

Draft, pp. 8.

6749. Wolsey to ———.

Cott. App. 33. B. M.

P.S.—While dispatching his servant, a number of the Cardinal's tenants and officers brought the three malefactors for the sending up of whom the Lord Chancellor had written. He will see by the enclosed copy of his letter to the Chancellor, and by the servant's report, the endeavors Wolsey has used, the dangers his officers have suffered, and the oaths and conditions in which they have been "boundyn unto† afore they cowde be sufferyd to be brought owt of the lybertes." Asks him to go with the poor resydenciary (?) to the Chancellor for declaration of the circumstances, and for discharging them and my . . . . . yse. To avoid the danger they would incur by . . . . being conveyed hence further, asks him to desire the lords to be contented with this examination, or else to [commit it to] some gentleman of this country. * * *

The Chancellor ought to be contented with this order, as the people are so wilful that they cannot be resisted by Wolsey's officers. The confession taken will inform them of all the circumstances.

Contrary to all law and conscience, Mr. Uttered has taken a half year's rent [of] Kexby, due at Michelmas last, [and] hath sent for the other half year due at Whitsuntide last past, threatening that he will exsp[el them] out of their holds if they refuse. Asks him to provide some remedy.

Hol., pp. 2, *mutilated.*

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6750. Dr. Capon.

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Paid to Dr. Capon, for the farm of the parsonage of Symondesbury, 7 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII., 10*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.* To me, for a bill of reckoning, 15*s.* To Creker, 45*s.* Wages to V., 50*s.* William's board wages, 7*s.* 6*d.* To Mr. Buttre, for a warrant of my lord of Northumberland, 40*l.* To William Grysling, for a warrant, 34*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* To Develyn, 22*s.* 6*d.* Mr. Betts' fee, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* For the patent of Richmond park, 53*s.* 4*d.* To the saddler, Sat., Nov. 12, 3*l.* 15*s.* To the master of the Rolls' priest, 45*s.* To Mrs. Hawarde, 40*s.* To John Jenkyn, 5*l.* "For egges with on owche," 13*l.* 15*s.* To Mrs. Laylonde, 5*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* To Gyllam, the embroiderer, 12*l.* To Vaghan, to bestow, 6*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.* To the milliner, 4*l.* 10*s.*

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1. Tho. Johnson, John Woddryngton, and Chris. Harrison, clk. Pardon for having acquired, without licence, to themselves and the heirs of the said Tho., from Hen. earl of Northumberland and Tho. Percy, *inter alia*, the manor of Somerton Erlegh, Somers. Westm., 1 Nov.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 1.

2. Wm. Taylour of London, haberdasher. Custody for 7 years of 4 acres of land in Spryngfeld, Essex, forfeited by Ric. Baltholt and Wm. Kyngeston, who acquired the same, without licence, to themselves and their heirs, from Wm. Lovell; to hold at the annual rent of 2*s.* 4*d.*, and 4*d.* of increase, provided that if any other shall offer a higher rent he shall pay as much if he wish to keep the said custody. Westm., 2 Nov.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 9.

3. Tho. Alain, gentleman usher of the Chamber. To be doorward and keeper of Farnham castle, Surrey, with 2*d.* a day, keeper of "the little park" there, with 2*d.* a day, and keeper of the garden and the conduit there, with 1*d.* a day; belonging to the bishopric of Winchester, in the King's gift by the forfeiture of Tho. cardinal of York. Hampton Court, 27 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 Nov.—P.S.

3. Sir Wm. Musgrave. Annuity of 20 marks out of the issues of 2 water-mills, called Penreth mills, parcel of the castle and lordship of Penreth, Cumb., during the life of Edward Musgrave, father of the said Sir Wm. Greenwich, 9 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 30.

3. Robt. Wenham, master of the children in the collegiate church of Windsor. To have a corrody within the monastery of Southwike, Hants, *vice* Tho. Annesley. Greenewich, 28 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 3 Nov.—P.S.

4. Humph. Russhsuch of Huccullescote, Leic., chaplain. Pardon for having, in self-defence, killed Wm. Fayrefield. Westm., 4 Nov.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 5.

4. Tho. Miller. To be one of the pursuivants-at-arms, called Rougedragon, with 10*l.* a year. Greenwich, 2 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 4 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 26.

5. Dr. John Taylour, master of the Rolls. Warrant to cancel a recognizance for 2,000 marks entered into by Tho. duke of Norfolk on 11 Feb. last. 5 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII.—S.B.

5. Tho. Pirry, fishmonger, of London. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfelde. Greenwich, 29 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 5 Nov.—P.S.

8. Tho. Newenham, Tho. Marrowe, and Robt. Egeworth. Pardon for having acquired, without licence, to themselves, their heirs and assigns for ever, from John Beaufo of Edmonscote, Warw., 3 tenements and 2 gardens in Warwick, Cotton, and Salford, Warw., and a pasture called Hassockys, 1 acre of land and 10 acres of wood in Norton Lynsey and Norton Curlewe, 6*s.* 8*d.* rent in Haseley, and 10 messuages, 100 acres of land, 10 acres of meadow, and 80 acres of pasture in Warwick, Cotton, and Myton, Warw. Westm., 8 Nov.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

9. Robt. Cuyke, *alias* Cooke, of Berwick-on-Tweed, merchant. Pardon for the death of Jasper Lilburn, who died 25 Aug. 22 Hen. VIII. Greenwich, 5 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 9 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 8.

9. Commission of Sewers: Sir Tho. Fenys lord Dacre, John abbot of Battle, Sir Wm. Fynche, Ric. Devenysshe, Giles Fenys, Ric. Parkehurst, clk., Wm. Cheyney, John Wyldegose, and Nicholas Marant, for the district between the boundaries of Batisford, Assheburnhamsmyll, and Godyngeshaven, and from Pevense Bridge to Newescluse of Wallershaven, and from Newescluse by the sea to the point of Godyngeshaven, thence to Romestrete, thence to Bellamsgutte, thence to Deusexgutte, thence to Pykelidbrigge, and thence to Swynshambrigge, Sussex. Westm., 9 Nov.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 1*d.*

10. John Medeway, of Dowland, Devon, husbandman. Pardon for having killed, in self-defence, Tho. Strange of Dowlande, laborer, who assaulted him in the highway at Dowland. Westm., 10 Nov. — *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 23.

11. John Hide, engrosser of the Great Roll of the Exchequer. Lease of all demesne lands, &c. belonging to the manor of Stratton on le Fosse, and coal mines in the lordship of Stratton, late in the tenure of John Welly, and a meadow called Yorkemede, in the lordship of Wydecombe, and all lands and tenements in the said lordship formerly in the tenure of Ric. Feld, by grant of Edward IV.; and all demesne lands, &c. belonging to the manor of Welton, and in Midsomer Norton; all which premises are parcel of the lands late of the earl of Huntingdon, in cos. Somers. and Dorset; with reservations, at certain stated annual rents, and 13*s.* 4*d.* increase. *Del.* Westm., 11 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. — S.B. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 8. —— *Vacated on surrender 30 June 36 Hen. VIII. in order that another patent might be granted to John Horner.*

11. Hen. Byrde. To be one of the walkers or keepers in Walridge forest, Hants, with 2*d.* a day, *vice* Chris. Alborough, deceased. Hampton Court, 8 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 11 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 7.

11. Tho. Arundell. Annuity of 10*l.* out of the manors of Glosthorpe and Roydon, Norf., and Framesden, Suff., lately belonging

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to Elizabeth Spelman, late wife of Chris. Spelman, deceased, whereof a third part is in the King's hands by the minority of Elizabeth Spelman, d. and h. of the said Elizabeth; to hold during the said minority, with wardship of the said heir. Hampton Court, 27 Oct. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 11 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

12. Wm. Suliard, one of the King's councillors. Annuity of 100*l.* Greenwich, 31 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Nov. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 26.

12. Sir John Russell. Grant of the manor and park of More, Herts, with 4*d.* a day, and the lordship of Rikmersworth (Rickmansworth), Herts, from Mich. 21 Hen. VIII. Greenwich, 2 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 12 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 9.——*Vacated on personal surrender,* 14 *Sept.* 5 *Edw. VI., by John earl of Bedford.*

15. Wm. Beache of Rudburne, Herts, yeoman *alias* merchant. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield, deputy of Calais. Greenwich, 29 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 15 Nov.—P.S.

16. John lord Hussey. Custody of the manor of Harewode, parcel of the manor of Rither, York, lately belonging to Tho. Rither, deceased, during the minority of Hen. Rither, brother and h. of the said Thomas, with wardship of the said Henry. Greenwich, 8 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 16 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 9.

19. Nic. Styrrell of London, grocer. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield, deputy general of Calais. *Signed by Wingfield. Endd.:* York Place, 19 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII.—*P.S. writ.*

19. Wm. Blakney, yeoman of the Chamber of princess Mary. To be "shire baily" of Penwith, Cornw., *vice* Rog. Toker, deceased. Greenwich, 28 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 19 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 9.

22. Hen. Hayworthe, late manciple ("mancipium") of Whitehall, in the university of Oxford. Pardon for having, on 4 April 17 Hen. VIII., escaped from the Tower of London, where he was committed for felony. Greenwich, 28 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Nov.—P.S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

22. Nic. FitzJames. Wardship of Joan d. and h. of John Whytynge, deceased. York Place, 17 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Nov.—P.S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

22. Robt. Norwiche. To be chief justice of the Common Pleas. York Place, 19 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* 22 Nov.—P.S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 16.

22. Roger Knight, groom of the Chamber. Wardship of Ralph, kinsman and heir of Ric. Knight. York Place, 18 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Nov.—P.S.

22. David ap Jenin. Presentation to the parish church of Whatley, Bath and Wells dioc., *vice* Wm. Clif, resigned. Hampton Court, 20 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Nov.—P.S.

22. Rob. Amys, husbandman, of Harleton, Camb. Reversal of outlawry, having been convicted for assaulting Alice, wife of John Amys, at Harleton. Westm., 22 Nov.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

23. Owen Thomson *alias* Tomson, of London *alias* of Canterbury, goldsmith. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield, deputy of Calais. Hampton Court, 20 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 23 Nov. —P.S.

24. Sir Edward Ryngeley. To be marshal of the town and marches of Calais; to hold the said office in like manner as John Wallop and Edward Guldeford held the same, *vice* Thos. Wyat, squire of the Body. York Place, 22 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Nov.—P.S.

24. John a Guilliams, serjeant-at-arms, and John a Guilliams, page of the Chamber. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of chief steward of the lordship of Fanhope, Heref., on surrender of patent 6 Sept. 8 Hen. VIII. granting the same to the former. Greenwich, 28 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 22 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 10.

24. Jas. Ferrare, late of Melberie Sampforde, Dors., yeoman, *alias* of Melbery Osmond, *alias* of Melbury Bub, Dors. Pardon. Hampton Court, 23 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 24. (*undated.*)

24. Robt. Grono, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Bisseley, Winc. dioc., *vice* Thos. Preston, resigned. York Place, 12 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Nov. —P.S.

24. Commissions of the Peace.

Beds: Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, J. bp. of Lincoln, Wm. prior of St. John's of Jerusalem in England, Geo. lord Cobham, Edmund Bray lord Bray, Sir Robt. Norwiche, Ric. Lister, chief baron of the Exchequer, Sir Hen. Grey, Sir John Mordaunte, Sir Francis Brian, Sir John Seyntjohn, Sir Wm. Gascoign, Sir Mich. Fissber, Walt. Luke, Wm. Marshall, Thos. Fitzhugh, Nic. Hardyng, Peter Barons, Simon Fitz, Geo. Akworth. Westm., 24 Nov. —*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 11*d.*

Bucks: Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, J. bp. of Lincoln, Wm. prior of St. John's of Jerusalem in England, And. lord Wyndesore, Wm. lord Grey of Wylton, Edm. lord Braye, Sir Robt. Norwiche, Ric. Lister, chief baron of the Exchequer, Sir John Daunce, Sir John Mordaunte, Sir Francis Brian, Sir Wm. Gas-

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coygn, Sir Edward Donne, Sir Robt. Lee, Wm. Wyndesore. Edm. Pekham, John Cheyney, John Baldewyn, Thos. Denton, Paul Darell, Rog. Gifford, Ric. Brute, Ric. Hampden, Wm. Marshall, Wm. Davy. Westm., 24 Nov.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 11*d.*

Berks: Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, Hugh abbot of Redyng, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., Sir John Porte, Thos. Inglefeld, Thos. Willoughby, serjeant-at-law, Sir John Daunce, Sir Ric. Weston, Sir Wm. Essex, Sir Geo. Foster, Ant. Hungreford, John Cheyny, Humph. Foster, Edward Fetiplace, Thos. Carter, Wm. Yonge, Thos. Umpton, Thos. Essex, Philip Fetyplace, Thos. Warde, Walt. Chalcote, John Latton, Ric. Stafferton, Ric. Brigges, John Hulcote, Wm. Hyde, Thos. Beke. Westm., 24 Nov. —*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 11*d.*

Cornw.: Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Hen. marquis of Exeter, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, J. bp. of Exeter, Sir John Fitzjames, Sir Wm. Shelley, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., Sir John Arundell de la Hern, Sir Piers Eggecombe, Sir Ric. Greynvyle, John Arundell, son of Sir John Arundell de la Hern, John Arundell of Talfern, sen., John Arundell of Treryse, John Chamonde, Hugh Trevanyon, John Densyll, John Carmynowe, Robt. Vyvian, Ric. Penrose, Wm. Lowre, Hen. Trecarell, Thos. Seyntabyn, Wm. Carneshewe, Robt. Langdon, John Tregean, Thos. Chamound, Nic. Carmynowe, Walt. Kendall. Westm., 24 Nov.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 12*d.*

25. Thos. Hennage, of Heynton, Linc. dioc., *alias* of Mowlsey, Surrey, gentleman of the Privy Chamber. Pardon and release as collector of the little custom in the port of London. York Place, 22 Nov. *Del.* Westm., 25 Nov.—P.S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

Draft of a bill to be signed by the King for the above.—R. O.

26. Matilda Parre, widow, and Wm. Parre. Inspeximus and confirmation of the following documents; viz., i. Patent 12 Feb. 4 Hen. VI. inspecting and exemplifying Placita de quo waranto, Westmor., 20 Edw. I. (p. 788 printed vol.), with regard to free warren and other liberties claimed by Ingram de Gynes and Christina his wife, in Kendal. ii. Pat. 12 Feb. 15 Hen. VII. inspecting and confirming charter 28 Aug. 3 Edw. II., granting to Marmaduke de Twenge and Wm. de Roos of Kendale a market and fair at Kyrkeby in Kendale, Westmor. Westm., 26 Nov. —*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 9.

26. Thos. Conyers, of Marske, *alias* of Stillyngton, Yorksh., *alias* of Richmond, Yorksh. Pardon for the death of John Ward of Bowes, yeoman. York Place, 12 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 26 Nov.—P. S. *Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 30.

28. Wm. Heton of London, girdler. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Robt. Wingfield, deputy general of Calais. Calais. *Signed by Wingfield. Endd.:* Hampton Court, 28 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII.—*P.S. writ.*

28. Wm. Cartwryke, serjeant-at-arms. Lease of the site of the manor of Caynehoo, with Barlycroft, Newgatefeld, Plomton Hedge, Cantymede Inland, with "le damme" and Inlondispythell, and the pasture of "le parke mede" and "le launde," in the lordships of Clophill and Caynehoo, Beds, parcel of lands purchased, with reservations, for 21 years, at certain stated annual rents. Westm., 28 Nov.—*Pat* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 30.

28. Robt. Dormer, John Baldwyn, John Goodwyn, and John Crouge. Licence to alienate the manor of Este Rede *alias* Rede *alias* Challers Manor, Herts, to John Bowles, Sir Philip Boteler, Thos. Puryent, sen., Wm. Conyngesby, Peter Baron, Thos. Puryent, jun., Geo. Hyde, John Gille, Edward Drokett, John Newport, Jas. Randall, and Wm. Eyworth, to hold to them, their h. and assigns, to the use of the said John Bowles. Westm., 28 Nov.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 8.

29. Thos. Brerwod, LL.D. Presentation to the rectory or parish church of Ylfurdcombe (Ilfracombe), Exeter dioc., void by resignation. Hampton Court, 26 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 29 Nov.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 6.

R. O. **6752.** ERNEST DUKE OF LUNENBURG.

The Duke has understood by yesterday's oration how much the King favors the liberty of Germany. The Duke perceives that the speech was divided into three parts:—1, to induce him and his allies not to accept terms from the Emperor;—2, not to agree to the election of the king of the Romans; (the worship of God is concerned in the first, and the liberty of Germany in the second;)—and, 3, that if they should be harshly treated, they should submit the matter to the arbitration of Henry VIII. and Francis I. Is directed to reply as follows:—1. The prince Elector, the Duke and

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his other adherents, have sufficiently explained the justice of their cause in their letters to the King, and the Duke remains firm in his resolve to abide by the Confession [of Augsburg] (*professio cœptæ veritatis*). The corrupt state of the hierarchy, both in life and doctrine, has compelled them to appeal to a General Council. 2. He does not see that he can do anything to hinder the election, nor is it his business; but as his uncle the duke of Saxony, to whom the right of electing this King belongs, has all along opposed the election, and protested its nullity, he will continue to take part with him in not recognising Ferdinand as king of the Romans. 3. As to the arbitration (*compromissum*), though the Duke has great confidence in the kings of England and France, a matter concerning the common faith of Christians must be determined according to God's Word, and with the cognizance of the whole world; nor can the Protestants withdraw from the profession they have repeatedly made before the whole world, or submit the cause to any other appeal (*vel in angustiorem locum causa cogatur*); but if even a free Council cannot be obtained, and their adversaries meditate violence, whatever the King thinks best in the interest of God's Word, the tranquillity of Christendom, and the liberty of Germany, the Duke will be ready to accomplish.

Lat., pp. 3. *Headed:* Responsio Ernesti ducis Luneburgen. per secretarium.

1 Dec. Analectes Belgiques, I. 379.

6753. JOHN ARCHBISHOP OF PALERMO and DE LALAING COUNT OF HOGHSTRATE to CHARLES V.

Lady Margaret died tonight, between 12 and 1, after taking the sacrament. Des Barres will give him a letter from her. Have sealed her coffers, and written to Nassau and Berghes, who, with Hoghstrate and others, are her executors, to attend to the performance of her will, and to provide for the Emperor's affairs here. Have written also to Buren, Beures, and Fyennes to come hither. Will send Des Barres with the duplicate of her will, when Nassau and Berghes arrive. Have informed the people on the frontiers of France, England, and Gueldres, that they may be on their guard. Malines, 1 Dec. 1530.

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6754. VAUGHAN to CROMWELL.

Since his repair to these parts six days ago, has not learned much about the matters of which Cromwell spoke to him before his departure,—partly because he had occasion immediately to go to Brussels to expedite the affairs of the Merchants Adventurers in the Chancery there, partly because he feared to broach his purpose prematurely, lest his policy should be prevented. My lady Margaret died today. Could not inform Cromwell, before he left England, what goods might be profitably exported to these parts. It would be a good time now to send grain, which is much enhanced in price from the inundations. Will remember the other matter. Antwerp, 1 Dec. 1530.

Hears nothing of the building of ships in these parts.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Thomas Cromwell, besides the Friars Augustines.

ii. On the back of the preceding:—

"This is the copy of the letter here inclosed, directed to Mr. Treasurer, which I wrote because I would not in all things seem to be slow in writing." Begs him to deliver it to his mastership. Antwerp, 2 Dec.

Begs him to remember his money of Clarencieux.

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2 Dec. **6755.** FRANCIS I. and HENRY VIII.

R. O. Camusat. Lettres de François I. 59.

Treaty for the conversion of the yearly tribute of black salt, agreed to be paid by Francis at Brouage by the treaty of 1527, into a money payment of 30,000 cr. for arrears, by half-yearly instalments of 7,500 cr. in the years 1531 and 1532, and 10,000 cr. a year for the future tribute. To be confirmed by both princes within two months. Hampton Court, 2 Dec. 1530.†

Lat., pp. 3, *modern copy.*

R. T. 137. R. O.

2. Another copy from the French archives.

6756. SALT.

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A proposition that the king of France shall supply England yearly for forty years with 40,000 weigh of salt, each weigh to contain 40 bushels, paying for each weigh 20*d.* ster. for custom, unloading, &c. The salt to be sold at 5*d.* a bushel.

Lat., p. 1.

4 Dec. **6757.** CHAPPUYS to CHARLES V.

Bradford, 331.

The bishop of Rochester has finished a book in favor of the Queen, now sent. Tuesday, St. Andrew's Eve, Norfolk told the papal Nuncio that the King wished the cardinal's hat for the auditor of the Chamber, and was very angry he had heard nothing about it, and that the Pope had spoken to his ambassador of his banishing the lady from court, &c. The Nuncio apologized, and said he did not wish to communicate the news to the King, as he did not wish to hear any more of the complaints and menaces the King was in the habit of using. The Pope had heard of the King's conduct, and he had written to the Nuncio that he should henceforth make no more excuses, as he had done enough for the King already;—that it was impossible in the face of the world to delay matters any longer, and justice must be done. The Duke thanked him, and begged him not to make any unpleasant report. The Nuncio knows that I have told your Majesty that mildness aggravates these people, and harshness softens them. So long as the Pope acted graciously they upbraided him,—now he has tightened the reins they are more humble. The Nuncio has therefore told the Pope he must maintain his authority, and conclude the Queen's business.

The cardinal of York died on St. Andrew's Day, at a place where king Richard was killed. They are both buried in the same church, which the people call *The Tyrants' Sepulchre.* At first the Cardinal refused to take nourishment; afterwards he took or was given something to hasten his end. On Monday the captain of the guard arrived to conduct him hither. Soon afterwards he was taken ill, lingered till Wednesday, and then prepared for his end like a good Christian. On taking the sacrament he protested he had never done anything to the prejudice of his Sovereign. The King still retains his benefices. London, 4 Dec. 1530.

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4 Dec. **6758.** MAI to CHARLES V.

Add. MS. 28,582, f. 113. B. M.

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The cause of England is proceeding, and the English ambassador has been to complain to the Pope because they had cited him, as if the suspension

† The articles of this treaty are given by Leonard, with a heading dated Hampton Court, 18 Oct. 1530, as if it were the date of the treaty; but this is really the date of the commission given to the earl of Wiltshire, Fitzwilliam, and Gardiner, the treaty itself being dated Hampton Court, 2 Dec. 1530, as appears by the confirmation of 27 Dec.

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of twenty days was to be perpetual. I said to his Holiness he had as little reason in this as in the principal cause. Still they go on threatening to do something new. I will follow the cause by your order. From Spain they have sent a treatise of the marriage of prince Arthur, which comes very opportunely, and contains all that is wanted. They have not sent that about her marriage with the other brother Henry ("lo de quando se casa con el otro hermano," &c.), nor the bull of dispensation. I have written again to the president, who, however, writes that Ortis is coming. I have written already how the duke of Ferrara secreted the seals (*desvio los sellos*), which the English ambassadors had been seeking for in his lands, and now I am told the duke of Mantua has done the same. Rodrigo Ninyo writes to me that he does not think it advisable to take out a brief which had been agreed upon, to allow the universities of Bologna and Padua to give their opinions, because he fears *they will give them against us.* And I am of the same opinion, for there is certainly more to lose than to gain, especially as it is known how their opinions were obtained. The money they spend gets them as many opinions as they require. I hear that the English ambassador, searching in the Papal library, has found something to the contrary of his purpose. I shall find out what it is. * * *
Conference with the duke of Albany. * * *
Rome, 4 Dec. 1530.

Sp., pp. 21, *modern copy from Simancas.*

6 Dec. **6759.** HENRY VIII. to CLEMENT VII.

R. O.
Burnet, vol. VI. p. 41.

Although the King finds that his demands, however just and reasonable, are put aside, that the requests of the French king in his behalf are of no avail, that the intercession of his nobles is not only despised but derided, and that nothing whatever is done for the King's relief,—although he sees all these things more clearly than he likes, both by the King's ambassadors at Rome and by the Pope's here,—the result seems so opposed to common sense, and the King's own knowledge of the facts of his case, that sometimes he cannot believe the Pope to have done what he knows he has done. Who could have believed his Holiness would have denied his petition for judges in England? Certainly the King expected otherwise; as did also the French king, who backed his request, and his councillors, who advised him so to do; also the whole nobility and leading men in England. Quotes St. Cyprian and St. Bernard in favor of terminating a dispute where it was begun. The Pope shows by his acts before all the world that he is wholly devoted to the Emperor's will, and that he ordains, prorogues, and alters things to serve the times. The Queen's simple assertion that England is an unsafe place to judge the cause, is credited in opposition to the clearest documents and facts that cannot deceive. When there was any doubt about the matter judges were sent to England by the Pope; but now, when there is none, the Pope believes the very reverse of what has been proved. The King has shown clearly how safely the cause might be judged in England, by allowing to every one perfect liberty of speech; while the Queen only asserts the contrary, and has produced no evidence that it is so.

Wishes the Pope would declare in writing the reason he persists in denying Henry's suit. Thinks it will be best in such a grave matter that they should communicate their views to each other by formal demands and replies. Demands, therefore, once more of the Pope that he will allow the cause to be decided in England by the judges named by his ambassadors* as indifferent. Understands the Pope made no difficulty about them, but

* In Pocock's Burnet the reading is "quos *inter* oratores tanquam indifferentes et æquissimos *nominabamus.*" The two words in italics are mutilated in the MS. from which Burnet and Mr. Pocock printed. In Theiner the first word is *per*, and the second *nominabimus.* But the reading in the original draft was certainly *nominabamus.*

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only about the place, which has been already settled by the decrees of Councils (*quem sacra Consilia jam diffiniverunt*), and the authority of St. Cyprian and St. Bernard. It will certainly be difficult to maintain the Queen's objection, and the infamy it ascribes to the King is intolerable; even in a mean man it would be a scandalous sin, which the Pope ought not to impute to Henry without a witness.

Does not wish to judge the Pope's conduct rashly; but if he approves, or does not openly reprove, what has been done by his ambassadors, these things are very serious charges against him, For the Pope first endeavored to prevent any one freely declaring his opinion of the King's cause; then, when after repeated solicitations he by published letters allowed every one to write and say what they thought of it, his functionaries (*magistratus vestri*), even in the Pope's name, threatened many persons at Bologna and elsewhere, if they should write against his power. Moreover, the Imperial ambassadors everywhere in Italy, especially in the Pope's dominions, use threats in contempt of the Papal edict, to make those who have written in the King's cause recant; and by some conspiracy the King's letters are not allowed to pass freely. The French king also has informed Henry that the Papal ambassador in France has pronounced, and in the name of his Holiness, a strong opinion upon Henry's cause, not fearing impudently to lie* to such a Prince in saying that the King had no right on his side, whereas the Pope has acknowledged that he has a most righteous case.

If, then, the Pope desire his own rights to be respected, let him not interfere with those of Henry. Let him not receive appeals to Rome in the King's cause, but remit them into England; and if he has passed these inhibitions, let him revoke them. Let him not suppose that either the King or his nobles will allow the fixed laws of his kingdom to be set aside.

Finally, let the Pope regard his demands on their own merits, if not out of respect for Henry. He only seeks to preserve that which is his own. He seeks what is in accordance with the laws of the Church, the authority of Councils, and the opinion of St. Cyprian and St. Bernard. He seeks it because the laws of England will not suffer the contrary, and he himself abhors contention. But he will not brook denial.

Lat., copy. Endd. by Tunstal.

2. The letter as actually sent is printed in Theiner, p. 594. Dated Hampton Court, 6 Dec. 1530.

6 Dec. **6760.** HENRY VIII. to BENET and CARNE.

R. O. St. P. VII. 269.

Dr. Kerne has written to the King's secretary, that the learned men hired on the King's counsel at Rome have concluded that Rome is not a safe place; which will be a good ground to stay process. The King's council here is of the same opinion; but the King declines to use a plan which would acknowledge the Pope's jurisdiction, and prefers that they should propose other exceptions, according to a form enclosed; which, however, they may modify at discretion, as he doubts not they would rather be taken for good Englishmen than Englishmen papisticate. Hampton Court, 6 Dec. *Signed at top.*

Add.

6 Dec. **6761.** The EMPEROR to the ARCHBISHOP OF TOLEDO.

Add. MS. 28,582, f. 141. B. M.

"Thanks him for his letter of the 15th of August. Affairs of Spain: Is glad to hear that he takes so much interest in the cause of the queen of England.

* *impudenter mentiri.* In the letter actually sent to the Pope this was softened into *magna cum temeritate affirmare.*

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"No date. Endd.: Despatch sent to Castile from Spire, 6 Dec. 1530.
"Sp., draft, written by the Secretary of State, Idiaquez; pp. 3."
Modern abstract from Simancas.

10 Dec. **6762.** THOMAS SOTEHILL.
R. O. "Money laid out by my Lord," † from 21 Sep. 21 Hen. VIII. to 10 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII. for Thomas Sotehill.
P. 1. *Endd.*

11 Dec. **6763.** DR. DE AUGUSTINIS.
R. O. A recognisance of "Mr. Doctor De Augustinis, Venetian, in the sum of 100*l.*, to be paid to the use of our sovereign lord the King at Christmas next;" on condition that if he keep secret all such matter as is mentioned in a book written with his own hand concerning the late cardinal of York (Wolsey), and presented by him to my lord of Norfolk, president of the Council, this recognisance shall be void; otherwise it is to stand in full force. Hampton Court, 11 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII.
Copy in Wriothesley's hand, p. 1.

12 Dec. **6764.** The MONASTERY OF GORYNG, Linc. dioc.
P. S. Assent to the election of Margaret Woddall as prioress, *vice* Alice Colsell, resigned. Westm., 12 Dec.
Pat. 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 11.
ii. Petition for the above, 23 Nov. 1530.

14 Dec. **6765.** MAI to CHARLES V.
Add. 28,582, f. 150. B. M. The duke of Albany. * * *
The cause of England is prosecuted, "y no se pierde un termino." They want the original documents (*los auctos mas sustanciales*) from Spain. I write tonight by a courier to the Empress and to the President. I have asked of the Pope the breves of new inhibitions and of the separation. He promised to give me them, provided the Queen's advocate (?) would speak about it in Consistory (*pero que el relator de la causa hiziesse palabra en Consistorio*). I spoke to the Queen's advocate (*relator*), and he came to Consistory, but as the cardinals of Osma and Ancona did not come he went away (*alargose*). * * * I learned lately of the arrival of letters from the king of England, requesting cardinals' hats for the Auditor of the Chamber and Casal. The matter was talked of in Consistory, but put off. On hearing of it I went to the Pope, who promised me he would not do it; but as a cardinal afterwards gave me a different account of what was said in Consistory from his Holiness, I had interviews all night with the cardinals favorable to us (*de la devocion*), for I durst not visit them by day, and they promise to use their influence against it. * * *
Sp., pp. 10, *modern copy from Simancas.*

14 Dec. **6766.** FRAY GARCIA LAOYSA, CARDINAL OF OSMA, to CHARLES V.
Add. MS. 28,582, f. 158. B. M. Heine, Briefe an Karl V. "What has happened since his last letter is not of great importance. and yet it is worth knowing. The king of England has very instantly begged the Pope to make the *Auditor de la Camera*, and the brother of Casale, who has been his ambassador in Rome, cardinals. He has written not only to the Pope, but to all the members of the Sacred College, asking them to

† Qy. Darcy?

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grant his desire. His Holiness proposed them on Friday last, and recommended them warmly. He seemed really to wish that the Auditor should have the cardinal's hat. Was not present. Was much scandalized when he heard of this affair. Thinks the Auditor is a very bad man, and behaves as an enemy of the Emperor in the divorce case of the queen of England. Begged the ambassador and Musetula to speak with the Pope, and to tell him that it would reflect dishonor on the cause of God and the Apostolic See if 'that man' were honored and elevated to so high rank, and that the Emperor would have good reason to be astonished. If the king of England had asked to make one of his subjects a cardinal, a man of good conduct, and a scholar, his Holiness would be right in doing his will; but as the demand is made in favor of an Italian, the king of England has no reason to be offended if it is not granted.

"Made the same observations to Sanga, and asked him to repeat them to the Pope. The Pope answered the ambassador and Musetula, that what they said was perfectly just, and that he did not propose the candidates of the king of England with the intention to make them really cardinals. Such intention, he protested, he had never had, nor would ever have.

"Begged the ambassador to speak with some of the elder cardinals, and to request them to vote against the candidates of the king of England in the Consistory [which will assemble the next day. All these manœuvres are necessary to prevent the creation of these cardinals; for the Pope is, in small things, the most reserved man he has seen, and his thoughts are as difficult to read as though they were written in cipher. Has often been on the point to ask the Emperor to send him (the writer) to Naples, because it pains him to see 'the secresy, the malice, the fear, and the cowardice' of the Pope. Has, however, not done so, because he thinks that the Pope is, in great affairs of state, such a reliable friend and father of the Emperor. That reconciles him.

"Suspects that the Pope has been pleased with the demand of the king of England, as, if he rejects the prayer of the king of England, he has a good reason also to refuse his (the Emperor's) requests. The excuse of the Pope for not doing what the king of England has asked him is that the General Council being so near at hand, it would be inopportune to create new cardinals. This excuse holds as good against the Emperor as against the king of England, but other reasons will be found to keep off the king (of England) and the Auditor.

"The day of the date of this letter the English ambassador came to visit him, and told him that his King had the creation of the Auditor much at heart, but would waive the claims of the other, Casale.

"Ferdinand de Gonzaga. Quartering of the army, &c. Rome, 14 Dec.

"Sp., hol., pp. 3."

Modern abstract from Simancas.

19 Dec. Add. MS. 28,582, f. 51. B. M.

6767. PEDRO DE LA CUEVA to CHARLES V.

* * * Last week the Pope gave us an alarm by proposing in Consistory two things which the king of England had asked him; and, as we are informed by some cardinals, he advocated them so warmly (*tan caldamente los propuso*) that it is expected they will be carried. We spoke to the Pope about it, who said he did it only "por cumplimiento," but we might be sure of the effect. However, card. de Osma advises that some cardinals be spoken to in the Emperor's interest. Another Consistory has passed, and nothing has been said about it; and the Pope says he has told the English ambassadors he perceived the cardinals "no tenian el buen recaudo de votos que serian menester a la ora ello esta sin hacerse, aunque

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para el banquete tenia todo el adereço este bellaco del auditor preparado no se adelante Señor lo que sera que yo poca confiança tengo de la verdad Romana. Sospecha he tenido que su S^d quiso mañear con estos para alguna defensa de los nuestros pero esto se le echo por de fuera en la bula de Adriano hable por parecer del embaxador a su St. y algunos cardenales, la qual se despacho con las condiciones y de la manera quel envaxador escrivira a V. M^d digo en lo de Zizilia quen lo de España no ba ninguno." * * *
Rome, 19 Dec. (*Endd.:* Nov.)

Sp., pp. 6, *modern copy from Simancas.*

19 Dec. P. S. **6768.** For the MONASTERY OF ST. MARY WITHOUT THE WALLS OF YORK.

Congé d'élire to the prior and convent upon the death of Edmund Whalley, last abbot. Hampton Court, 12 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 19 Dec.

Pat. 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 14.

2. Petition for the above. 1 Dec. 1530.

20 Dec. R. O. St. P. VII. 271. **6769.** BRYAN to BENET.

Received his letter at Fontainebleau, 9 Dec., by Valois herald, with letters to the King, which he sent on by a servant. No news, but that the King and Queen are hunting with the nobles. The Queen does not make her entry till Candlemas, at which shall be great triumph. She has five or six young ladies of Spain waiting on her,—handsome, and gorgeous in their apparel. Commendations to Carne, Master Gregory, and Master Paul. Will write shortly to the duke of Albany. The King wished us to communicate in cipher, *and that you should inform me if you hear anything about a General Council. Hears that the Pope has committed the whole ordering of the King's great cause to the French king.*

Since writing, received at Fontainebleau, on the 13th, Benet's letter, dated Rome, 30 Nov., with letters to the King from Albany, Worcester, and Benet, others to Tuke, and one from Albany to Norfolk, which he sent by the next sure messenger. Received also one from the Duke to himself, "which here I recompense." Paris, 20 Dec.

My lord Cardinal is dead. "I pray you recommend me heartily to Signora Angela, and desire her to send me a pair of sweet perfumed gloves." *Signed.*

Part cipher. Add.

20 Dec. Add. MS. 28,582, f. 170. B. M. **6770.** FRAY GARCIA LAOYSA, CARDINAL OF OSMA, to CHARLES V.

"The bull of Pope Adrian has been confirmed.

"In the last Consistory of Cardinals much was said in the Emperor's praise. A proposal was made, in the name of the queen of England, that an order be sent to the King, her husband, not to marry any other woman whilst her divorce case was before the court of the Rota, and not to cause scandal by his intimate intercourse with his lady friend. It was further proposed that the Pope should prohibit all judges who are dependent on him from taking cognizance of this law suit. The decision was postponed until the next Consistory in order to give time to the Cardinals well to consider their votes.

"The ambassador of England has taken much pains to persuade the Pope and the Cardinals to create the *Auditor de la Camera* cardinal in this Consistory. It seemed that the demand would not be denied. The Imperial ambassadors, however, opposed the English ambassador with so much adroitness that the

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Auditor de la Camera was not made a cardinal. Hopes they will in future also succeed in preventing the creation of that bad man, who tries to divorce the queen of England.

"The governor of Bologna, &c. Rome, 20 Dec.

"Sp., hol., pp. 4."

Modern abstract from Simancas.

22 Dec. R. O.

6771. The KING'S SCULLERY.

View taken by Sir Henry Guldeford, controller, and Rob. Amadas, master of the Jewels, 22 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII., on the admission of Wm. Ryse, as serjeant there, *vice* John Harrison.—Platters lost, at 3*s.* 8*d.* an oz., 139*l.* 14*s.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

23 Dec. Add. MS. 28,582, f. 181. B. M.

6772. SECRET CONSISTORY OF CARDINALS.

"On Friday, 23 Dec., a Secret Consistory was held in the Apostolic Palace at Rome, in the usual room, in which Consistory was debated and concluded what follows, viz. :—

"My lord the most reverend cardinal Cibo read the letter of the most serene king of England, directed to his Holiness, and dated the 7th of the current month of December. The king of England complains in this letter very much that it has been impossible for him to obtain from the Pope an order that his matrimonial cause be proceeded with out of Rome. Adducing many new reasons, he begged that it be decided in England.* Nothing was concluded on this subject, and no votes were taken, the Pope declaring that this business ought to be ripely discussed, and treated with the greatest consideration in future Consistories.

"The Pope ordered then that the Cardinals should give their votes on the report made by the reverend Paulus de Capisuccis, in the Consistory of the 14th of the same month, concerning the matrimonial cause which was pending between the king and queen of England. The procurators of the Queen had asked that the Pope should forbid the archbishop of Canterbury, by a special brief, to take cognizance of this lawsuit, in case he should be applied to, as it had been reserved for the decision of the Sacred College of Cardinals. The procurators of the queen of England had likewise asked that the Pope should repeat and confirm in a brief all the inhibitions which the auditors of the Rota, to whom this cause was entrusted, had directed to all prelates of England. The same procurators had further petitioned that the Pope should forbid the king of England, whilst the lawsuit was pending, either to cohabit with any other woman, and especially a certain lady Anne, or to contract marriage; and in case that such a marriage should be contracted, to declare it null and void. Lastly, the same procurators had prayed that the Pope should forbid the said lady Anne, and all women in general, to contract, *lite pendente*, marriage with the king of England. After long deliberations it was concluded that all the afore-mentioned petitions were justifiable in law, and that the briefs should be granted.

"*Transcript of the official diary of the Consistories and Congregations of the Cardinals in the year* 1530, *kept by Antonio San Severino, cardinal of St. Appolinarius, camerarius of the Sacred College for the year* 1530. *The transcript was made at the command of king Philip II., in the Papal archives, and forms a part of the Libros de Berzosa.*

"*Lat., pp.* 2."

* "ad partes illas regis Angliæ."

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24 Dec. **6773.** The PROTESTANT PRINCES to the EMPEROR.

Lanz, I. 412. Protest against the election of Ferdinand as king of the Romans, 24 Dec. 1530.

Signed by John duke of Saxony, Ernest duke of Lunenburg, Philip landgrave of Hesse, Gerhart and Albert, brothers, counts and lords of Mansfelt, and Wolfgang prince of Anhalt.

25 Dec. **6774.** LUIGI ALAMANI to [the REPUBLIC OF FLORENCE].

Add. MS. 28,579, f. 289. B. M. * * * "The consul in Lyons states that he has had letters from the consul in England, Francesco Bardi, who informs him that the Florentine merchants (in England) have collected money. As they are few and not rich, they have collected only 1,060 *scudi*, which sum they have sent to Lyons to the hands of the consul. The money is expected soon to arrive. Will do the same with it as he has done with the 4,000 *scudi*.

"What is more important is this :—

"Francesco Bardi has had a long conversation with the king of England about the affairs of Florence. The King has heard all he has told him with so much interest and so much pleasure as though he were himself a Florentine. He has much praised the courage of Florence, and spoken very disparagingly of the Pope and the Emperor, showing great enmity to the one and the other. Nor is it to be wondered at; for the King had sent the father of the dame, to use the exact words of Francesco de Bardi, to speak with the Pope about the divorce, which had been positively promised, but he got such an answer that the envoy immediately returned to England. It is impossible to say how discontented 'they' are; in fact, so much that nothing else is thought of in that island every day, except of arranging affairs in such a way that they do no longer be in want of the Pope, neither for filling vacancies in the Church, nor for any other purpose. All this is treated in the letter of Francesco Bardi at great length.

"He writes, moreover, that, speaking to the King about the great hardship to which 'our poor city' is exposed, the King said that if he did not wish so much that the king of France should have back his sons, he would not mind any other thing in the world, but show favor by real deeds to 'our' just cause, and oppose such iniquitous princes as the two (Pope and Emperor) are. As soon as the sons of the king of France are delivered to their father, he will be well prepared to show his real intentions. The consul adds, that if Florence could send bonds for a sum of 40,000 or 50,000 ducats, he thinks he could get so much money, and perhaps more. Thinks that the sons of the king of France would be sooner delivered if some person were sent secretly, for if it is known that Florence has ambassadors in 'that' country (England ?), the affair will not be arranged, or at least delayed.

"Has thought it his duty to communicate to them without delay the news from Lyons and from England. If they cannot send a secret envoy from Florence, he is ready to do all in his power to procure the money in the above-mentioned manner. Begs them not to think him too presuming. * * * Begs to send him immediately an answer, especially with respect to what he has said about England.

"Superscribed : From Luigi Alamani, 25 Dec. 1530.

"Italian, contemporary copy or deciphering, pp. 6. Seems to be an intercepted letter from Genoa to Florence."

From an English abstract of a MS. at Simancas.

27 Dec. **6775.** FRANCIS and HENRY VIII.

R. T. 137. R. O. Confirmation by Henry VIII. of the treaty of 2 Dec. 1530, for the conversion of the pension of salt into a money payment. London, 27 Dec. 1530.

Modern copy, pp. 7.

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28 Dec. **6776.** LORD LATYMER.

Lansd. MS. 203, f. 197. B. M.

Declaration by Geo. and Chr. Nevyle that their brother, John Nevyle lord Latymer, has offered to them, before Sir Umfray Stafford and Sir Wm. Musgrave, knts., and Sir Tho. Harrison, priest, the goods and chattels belonging to their deceased father, lord Latymer, according to agreement, and for the accomplishing of bonds made by the present lord Latymer to Dr. Cleyton, and that George and Christopher refuse to take any of the said goods till partition can be made, and communication taken between him and them and their co-executors. 28 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII. Signed by George and Chr. Nevyle.

Modern copy.

. . Dec. **6777.** ALBANY to HENRY VIII.

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Received at Rome, on the 29th Nov., his "good writings," dated Ampthill, 2 Sept. Feels honored by the King's so using him, and will do all diligence to promote the King's interests, knowing it is the King his master's desire. The King's ambassadors here will inform him "quhat hes, is and sel be my part in this mater." [Rome,] . . . Dec. 1530. *Signature faintly visible,* "[Vostre h]umble serviteur, J[eh]an."

Mutilated, p. 1. *Add. Endd.*

. . Dec. **6778.** NICHOLAS RAINCE to MONTMORENCY.

Le Grand, III. 515.

The Pope has not been able to prevent the Emperor's agents insisting on the cause of the English marriage being proceeded with, and already commenced at the audience last past; at which he is much displeased, for reasons which he stated yesterday to the duke of Albany and Pontresme. Rome, Friday, — Dec. 1530.

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Dec. **6779.** JAMES V. to HENRY VIII.

Master's MS. (post. f. 272.)

"That whereas his Grace hath made intercession for the restitution of the earl of Angus, it is a thing he cannot grant without great inconvenience, and therefore desires him not to mediate the same. Dec. 1530."

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6780. THE DIVORCE.

Add. MS. 28,582, f. 275. B. M.

A paper headed "Micer May," apparently extracts from his letters. In the matter of the queen of England the brief has been obtained that the King should not marry while the suit is pending. It has been secretly affixed to the Chancery in St. Peter's and St. Petronius, and sent to Madame to be published there. Suggests that a copy should be sent to the Queen and the [Spanish] ambassador of England, and that the Emperor should write for information of the act to be sent hither, that the lawyers in Rome may have an opportunity of studying it in the event of any proceedings being taken.

ii. From a letter accompanying the preceding.

* * * The Pope told me further, in the matter of England, that he understood that the father of the lady, and her party, have repented of the proposition they made in writing, and are content to follow the ordinary course of justice. Thinks, as they are wavering, that the Emperor should give them fair words as usual.

Sp., pp. 7, *modern copy from Simancas*

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6781. THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Decision of John de Plano, lecturer on metaphysics in the university of Sienna, that marriage with a deceased brother's wife cannot be dispensed with by the Pope.

Lat., modern copy, pp. 4.

6782. HENRY VIII. to ANDREA GRITTI, Doge of Venice.

Vit. B. x. 60. B. M. Thanks him for having offered an abbey to the prothonotary Casale. The Pope has, however, conferred it on the prothonotary Gambara. Asks that Casale may have the bishopric of Civita.

Lat., draft, pp. 2, *in Vannes' hand.*

6783. R. CRANE to CROMWELL.

R. O. Sends the bearer to him for counsel about her husband, who is in great trouble.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* Master Cromelle, dwelling by the Awstene Fryers. *Endd.*

6784. THOMAS CROMWELL.

R. O. Lease, by John bishop of Carlisle, to Thomas Cromwell, of London, gentleman, of his rectory or parsonage of Melbourne, in Derbyshire, at a rent of 10*l.*, the Bishop to find timber for repairs. 22 Hen. VIII.

Draft, corrected by Cromwell, pp. 6.

6785. CROKE'S EXPENCES.

Vit. B. xiv. 302. B. M. Records of the Reformation, ii. 648.

"A Bononia usque ad Venetias pr . . . . . ."

To Curticella, Turre de la Fossa, Bentivolium, Malehelberga, Godefred, Ferrara, Francolin, Chiodi, Camnova, Capos, Corbula, Loredi, Turre Nove, Malemogcha, Venice, and Padua, 14 cr.

Going to the bishop of Verona: Venice to Padua, Vincentia, Verona, and back, 6 cr.

Going to father Francis at Asola: From Venice to Mergera, Treviso, Asola, Citadella, and back, 8 cr.

Going to father Francis, when the bishop of London sent for him, 7 cr. Going to the bishop of London at Bologna, with four horses, 10½ cr. Returning to Venice, 9 cr. 4 marcelli. Going to the bishop of Verona, and to Padua and back, the last time, on 30 A[ug]. Going with the bishop to Bologna, 1 Sept., 2½ cr. For a horse, going after the bishop to Rhegio with instruments and transumpts, 8 Sept., 1 cr. Going in post from Bologna to the bishop of London at Rhegio, 8 Sept., and returning, passing by Ansola, Castelfranco, Modena, and Ruberium, 15 cr. Returning from Bologna, 19 Sept., by Ferrara, Francolin, Chiodi, and Chosa, to Venice . . . . . 18 Oct., to Padua and back, 2 cr. Going to Utinum, 10 Dec., 3 cr. Returning by post to Venice, 24 Dec., 4 cr. For a ship to England, 3 cr. 3 *grossi.* For horses, 10*s.* 2 cr. 8*d.*

In Croke's hand, pp. 4, *mutilated.*

6786. [CROKE'S EXPENCES.]

Vit. B. xiv. 300. B. M. Records of the Reformation, ii. 654.

To Hebrews. To Mark Raphael, a Christian, 6 cr. To Helias, a Jew, and his companions, 8 cr. 18 Oct., to messengers. To the bishop of Worcester, at Bologna, 6 cr. To the master of the posts, "pro expectatione postæ," 4 cr. To Bartholomew, going to Francis Georgio, 3 cr. To Antony, going to Leonicus at Padua, 1½ cr. To Philip going to father Francis Marinus at Rovigo, 1½ cr. To Philip, going to the ambassador

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at Vincentia for Stokesley's letters, 2 cr. A post to England, 4 cr. To John Maria, going to the bishop of London at Bologna, 3 cr. Carriage of the letters of the bishop of London to Lyons, by Alex. Horatio, 5 Aug., 1 cr. Carriage of letters by Antony Dode, 3 Oct., ½ cr. Carriage of letters from Antwerp to England, 18 Oct., 7 cr. To Harwell, Jerome Molyns, and Antonio Bonvixi, ... and other entries. Total, 87½ cr.

Hol., Lat., pp. 3, *mutilated.*

6787. JEROME DUDLEY.

R. O. Three fragments of bailiff's accounts of the lands of Jerome Dudley, son of Edmund Dudley, under the will of the said Edmund. One of these is dated 22 Hen.VIII.

ii. Three rentals of Dudley's lands made in 20 Hen.VIII.; viz., Malbrethorpe, Yerburgh, and Garnethorpe.

6788. CARDINAL'S COLLEGE, OXFORD.

R. O. A book of receipts and expences.

i. An account of the total issues of each of the suppressed monasteries:—Frideswide, 194*l.* 10*s.* 2½*d.* Lytlemore, 28*l.* 17*s.* 2½*d.* Powghley, 59*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.* Wallingford, 113*l.* 0*s.* 9½*d.* Sandewall, 31*l.* 7*s.* [. . .]*d.* Canwall, 14*l.* 6*s.* Daventre, 200*l.* 7*s.* 8¾*d.* Rawnston, 72*l.* Tykforde, 57*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.* Bradwell, 47*l.* 4*s.* 1¼*d.* Thoby, 26*l.* Lessones, 51*l.* 4*s.* 0½*d.* Tonbridge, 77*l.* 10*s.* 5½*d.* Beghame, 128*l.* 12*s.* 2½*d.* Calceto, 26*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.* Bodyngton, ——. Wyng, 24*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* Kexbye, and other rents in Yorkshire, ——. Wetwang, 73*l.* 18*s.* 9½*d.* Lepynton, 5*l.* Rudbye, ——.

Total receipts for the year (including fines and a loan of 345*l.* 7*s.* 9½*d.*), 1,591*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.* Charge on the treasury, 1,703*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*

ii. Allowances for commons in every week during four terms of the fifth year of the college, viz., of the subdean and Dr. Nicholas, and a varying number of canons, chaplains, clerks, choristers, bellringers, &c. Total for the year, 386*l.* 17*s.* 7*d.*

iii. Account of portions and stipends of the dean, subdean, censors, and prefects of the treasury, canons of the first and second order, the chanter, the instructor of the choristers, the chaplains, clerks, subsacrist, and bellringer, servants of the college, servants of the dean, clerk of the lands, and his servants, &c. Total, 330*l.* 18*s.* 7*d.*

iv. Payments for four days' exequies and alms on the founder's obit. Also for salaries of public readers; viz., Dr. Nicolas, in theology, Master Keyt, in philosophy, Beattes, in classics (*humaniorum literarum*), Sepham, in logic, Moore, in sophistry, 53*s.* 4*d.* a year each; Shyrrey, schoolmaster of the choristers, 23*s.* 4*d.* for three years. To Langrisshe and Beattes for certain masses throughout the year. To Langrisshe, Champion, and Herman, for preaching on the days of All Saints, St. Frideswide's, Holy Trinity, and the Assumption of the Virgin.

v. Expences of the dean riding on the affairs of the college; viz., when he was with the founder at Peterborough on the 5th May [1530]; on a progress, 30 May; with Mr. Carter, Mr. Tresham, and others, riding to the King at Windsor, 12 Aug.; riding to the King at Hampton Court, as appears by bill, 23 Sept.; with Mr. Carter, Tresham, Langrige, the auditor, and their servants, at London for a month.

vi. Expences of the subdean and others*, riding on the affairs of the college to London and Daventry, Pedington, Okeley, &c., to the King, the duke of Suffolk, Mr. Throgmorton, John Hyden (Higden), and others. To Mr. Bale riding to York to get money from lord Conyars, and to Wallingford, to meet the dean of the castle, who is destroying their chapel there. To Master Rainolde riding to Bryll to sell lambs, 13 May. To Bale,

* *Sc.* Gyll, Thos. Davy, Toker, Evan, and Sharpe, a chorister.

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Parker, and Markam, riding to Wallingford and staying there, "ad servandum domum." Expences of Master Wellis, clerk of the lands, and others, riding in a progress after Easter. Jas. Browne, riding to Luton to meet the seller of a horse taken away at Wykam. Mr. Rainolde riding to Stroberyge to buy salt fish, 6 Sept. Mr. Beates riding to the Lord Chancellor to get a *supersedeas* amended, as appears by bill, 8 Sept. Mr. Wellis riding to the fair at Abingdon to sell horses, on the Nativity of St. Mary. Mr. Beates riding to Tame with the *supersedeas*. Henry Turner riding to Hampton Court to the Dean, as appears by bill of 1 Oct. Mr. Currant riding to the bishop of Lincoln to answer the vicar of Okeley. Mr. Smythe, clerk of the lands, going to the farmers. Dan (*dominus*) Slithurst riding to Mr. Lenthall. Holden riding to Mr. Tresham with letters of the Dean, and for a *supersedeas*. Stalworthe, the barber, riding to Mr. Knightley. Total expences of dean and subdean, &c., 130*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*

vii. *Solutio forinseca.* For expences of the King's servants and Mr. Norres;—of Mr. Birton coming for a chaplain by command of the founder. Gloves for the bishop of Lincoln's brother. Wine given to Mr. Alin, the King's servant. To Barton, servant of Mr. Townley, for a horse that he lost while riding on the college business, 23*s.* 4*d.* To Mr. Warmington for a written book of the King, 38*s.* 4*d.* To Shirrey for reading it, 5*s.* To Hugh Barnarde for a court kept at Hedington for three years. To Mr. Tavernor, on his bill. To Standisshe for procurations and synods. For paper for the King's book, by command of Master Subdean, 19*d.* For 3 qrs. of beer, at 3*s.* a quarter, on the coming of Mr. Noresse, 19*s.* To Lentall, the auditor's servant. For carriage at Powghley;—first year, 3*l.* 18*s.* 5*d.*; second year, 40*s.* 6*d.*; third year, 26*s.* 9*d.* For last year's pension to a blind man at Powgheley, 2*s.* To Stringer riding twice to York with Mr. Rainolde. For expences of Odingsall, the dean's servant, returning to Mr. Shorms (?) To the beadles for the fair of Frideswide, 26 Jan. For a supper to the farmer of Charingdon, 27 April, 7*d.* To waggoners (*aurigis*) going to London for provisions for Lent, 11 Feb., 7*s.* 6*d.* To a servant of the duke of Norfolk, 12 Feb., 2*s.* To Jefferis, keeper of the woods of St. John at Litlemore, 3*s.* 4*d.* To Wekes, seeking lost sheep, 3*d.* To Folly, a waggoner, getting provisions for Lent from Henley, 23 Feb. For gloves given to the duke of Suffolk and his wife, by Mr. Tresham, 27 Feb. To Shyrrey, writing a book of Mr. Tresham to the King, 7 March. For hedges made at Cuddislowis, 23 March, 16*d.* To Mr. Browne, for stone taken at the quarry at Hedington, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* To my lord of London, for expences of procurators in Convocation. For wine, &c. given to the servants of the duke of Suffolk and lord Ferys. A messenger bringing letters twice to the Subdean at Islyppe, 28 April, 3*d.* To Mr. Laighton, for paper for the King's book, 20 April, 5*d.* To Shirrey writing Mr. Laighton's book to the King, 3 May, 20*s.* To a messenger carrying the King's letters to the Subdean at London, 4 May, 2*d.* To Wm. Philips, waggoner (*auriga*), going to the founder, 17 April, 4*s.* 11*d.* To Laighton, for money bought of Thorne for the King's book, 17 April, 5*d.* To Mr. Turwyn, servant of the duke of Suffolk, 5 March, 5*d.* For a bow, "ad progressum," by the Dean's order, 11 May, 16*d.* For expences of Mr. More coming from Powghley, *ad sigillandum*, 9 May, 12*d.* For binding the books of Masters Laighton and Tresham to the King, 13 May, 8*d.* To John Feraby, vicar of Freston, for arrears of a pension from Snape, 26 May, 11*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* For tar (*pro ly ter*) for marking sheep, 27 May, 5*d.* For shearing sheep at Cuddislowis, 27 May, 2*s.* 9*d.* To Benbow coming from Manchester to be master of the choristers, 29 May, 10*s.* To Hardam riding to the founder, 10 April, 7*s.* 6*d.* For keeping 7 horses at Bynsey, 7*d.* For horsemeat, &c. of Mr. Knighteley at Flower de Luce, 31 July, 3*s.* 3*d.* To Hoskyns seeking dishes (*quærenti discos*) through the town, 7 July, 4*d.* For wine to Mr. Hyxe, seeking his son's choristers, 8*d.* To one crying lost sheep in the market, 16 July, 2*d.* For mending a house we broke into in seeking [our] dishes, 17 June, 4*d.*; to a bailiff going with us, 4*d.* For wine to the servants of the King and founder, 17 July, 6*d.* To two stage-players, servants of the duke of Norfolk, by the Dean's order, 15 July, 2*s.* 6*d.* To Fryen, a messenger bringing a bow and arrows from London, 4 Aug., 4*d.* To Ratue reading the Bible 11 weeks, at 1¾*d.* per week. To one writing a bill to be signed by the King at Windsor, 13 Aug., that no one should interfere

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with the college, 3*s.* 4*d.* To one writing letters for us to meet the King at Windsor, 12 Aug., 8*d.* To a servant of Mr. Gyfforde bringing venison, 13 Aug., 2*s.* For getting out three horses in custody at Cowley, 15 Aug., 2*d.* To Wm. Marshe for part stipend when he was curate of Bryll two years ago, 3*s.* 4*d.* For wine to Mr. Eggecombe and Mr. Subdean, 22 Aug., 7½*d.* To Mr. Edward Fetyplace for fee and arrears of Powgheley, 4*l.* For two bags brought by the Subdean, 8*d.*; and for counting money out of the treasury of the duchy of Lancaster, 12*d.* For carriage of things, Mr. Subdean and Champion, to London, 30 June. For a little bag and net (*manticula et verriculum*) bought at London, 27 July, 13*d.* For paper and ink bought by Mr. Champion at London, 28 July, 6*d.* To the keeper of the wood at Lytlemore, 12*d.* Mr. Williams carrying horses to the founder, 24 April, 7*l.* To Ratu's successor as subsacrist, 30 Aug., 3*s.* 4*d.* For carriage of salt fish from Stroberyge fair; viz., for horsemeat, 19*s.* 4*d.*; eight days' work of two servants, 6*s.* 8*d.*; for refilling the waggons, 22*d.*; for horse-shoes, 4*d.* For four mats (*? storeis*), 8*d.* For things bought for the dinner of Mr. Carter, Dr. Nicolas, and servants, called by us to counsel when Mr. Tresham returned from the founder, 4 Oct., 2*s.* 4*d.* To Ric. Rudde for three axles and repair of two waggons at Strobryge fair, 2*s.* 8*d.* To Mr. Buffton's servant coming by command of the King's council to receive money for lands flooded at Lessones. To Mr. Slythurste for writing a pair of great indentures between the college and Mr. Eggecombe, 31 Aug., 2*s.* Expences of Dan (*dominus*) Whitbroke riding "pro Benbow" at the Dean's command, 20 June, 6*s.* 8*d.* To Rob. Collyar, "pro uno ly ferne," to carry wood to Ellisfelde, 24 Sept., 6*d.* Dinner to Mr. Lentall and others, 23 Sept., 5*s.* 1*d.* Expences of lord Dakars' servants coming for indentures, 23 Sept., as by bill of Mr. Weston, 14½*d.* For twelve pair of leather gloves, double and single, sent to the King's court by Mr. Subdean, 18 Oct., 7*s.* 6*d.* For gloves sent to the King's commissioners by Messrs. Tresham and Beates, on the morrow of St. Frideswide, 17*d.* Expences of Mr. Duke, proctor, and Mr. Standisshe, and their servants, riding to the King with letters of the university in favor of the college, 23 Oct., 3*l.* 5*s.* 11*d.* To a proctor's servant putting some one in Bocardo, who was going to steal from Tayler the chorister, 3 Oct., 2*d.* To Hardam riding to Woddestocke to sell horses, — Oct., 2*d.* For a dozen of parchment repaid to Magdalen College, 2*s.* 4*d.* To Kent, clerk of Master Knightley, writing a supplication, 11*s.* To Mr. Knightley dictating the same, 10*s.* For parchment to write it on, 8*d.* For writing it a second and third time, 10*s.* For indemnities to the church of Oadbery, 6*s.* 8*d.*; for procurations of the church of Astwode, as by bill of Mrs. Franks. Various expences of Nich. Bagshawe. "Pro margine collegii" last year, as by butler's account, 15*s.* 9*d.* For the battells of the canons of the second order when they prepared to act a comedy last year, 6*s.* 11¾*d.* For reading the Bible in hall, 3*s.* 4½*d.* Customary fee to the mayor's "bull-dogs" (*lictoribus prætoris*), 1 Jan., 4*s.* 9*d.* To Nicholas, the porter, for services in the Exchequer at the time of his account last year, 3*s.* 4*d.* For battells of men sweeping the two quadrangles, 4*s.* 4¾*d.* To Henry Turner in part recompense for illness brought on by riding in the affairs of the college, 20*s.* To four servants of the Princess, 21 Jan., 3*s.* 4*d.* For wood and coal consumed by Henry Turner, 20*d.* For fifteen sheep, dead, at 2*s.* 4*d.* each. To the clock-keeper for his diligence during the year, 13*s.* 4*d.*

Total, 135*l.* 13*s.* 3*d.*

viii. Costs of the Chapel: To Mr. Goffe for wine used in the church, 6*s.* 8*d.* To Mr. Burgis, chanter, "pro libris in torto cantu factis," 6*l.*; "pro libris infracti cantus," 6*l.* 5*s.* For candles, coals, &c. For a new key to the chapel door, 6*d.*

ix. *Of the Hall:* For brooms to sweep the hall divers times, 4*d.*; for rushes, 12*d.*; mending the key of the hall, 4*d.*; for fixing a lock in the hall door, 2*d.*

x. *Of the Cloister:* To two workmen sweeping the cloister and treasury, 27 April, 6*d.* To the porter, for brooms for two years, 8*d.*; for lanterns for a year, 20*d.*

xi. *Of the Pantry and Buttery:* Hoops for casks, 1*d.* each. Three dozen trenchers (*quadrarum*), 3*d.* To Holden, the chief butler, for cups, &c. For a lock to the pantry 16*d.*; six pair of hinges, 12*d.*; for four staples (*retinacula*), 4*d.* Keys at 3*d.* and 4*d.* A

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pair of "gymes," 12*d.* A large hoop, 1½*d.* Corydon's wife, for washing, 20*d.* For putting on two locks, 4*d.* For a padlock and staple, 8*d.* For two bolts for the cellar door, 8*d.* For a staple weighing 2 lb., 4*d.*

xii. *Of the Kitchen:* For a bucket, 8*d.* To Waterdrynker preparing wood in the orchard, 4*d.* To a man sweeping the kitchen chimneys a day and a half, 6*d.* For a bucket of the well in the kitchen, 2 March, 12*d.* For a key to the repository of capons and hens, 9*d.* For two baskets bought by the manciple, 8*d.*; "pro duabus vangis ligneis," 4*d.*; for a colander and ladle, 5*d.*; a large vessel for salting, 2*d.* To Wm. Evy and Ric. Clarke, cleaning the kitchen well, 7*d.* For mending the lock of a chest, 1*d.* For a new pothook, weighing 11 lb., at 1½*d.* per lb., 16½*d.* For four twists and four hooks, and the latch and catch, for the kitchen windows, 15½*d.* For a garnish of dishes, three chargers and seventeen dishes, weighing in all 156 lb., at 5*d.* per lb., bought of Nich. Bagshaw, 3*l.* To Prombden, mason, making windows for two days, 12*d.* For three wedges, weighing 19 lb., 2*s.* 4½*d.* For a staple to the kitchen window, 1*d.*

xiii. *Of the Quadrangle:* To two men repairing the well of the quadrangle, 12*d.* For cleaning the well in the great quadrangle, 6*d.* For an iron clasp (*pro spintro ferreo*) to the well, 2*d.* For mending the handle, 2*d.*

xiv. *Of the Exchequer:* Expences of the auditor in chamber, 10*s.* 3*d.* For three reams of paper bought by the subdean, 6*s.* 10*d.* To Balthasar, for two books indented, and one of paper, 20 Jan., 2*s.* 10*d.*; for pounce, 2*d.*, and pens, 1*d.* For a bottle (*obba*) of ink, bought by Mr. Champion at London, 28 July, 7*d.* For a canister with a lock, 10*d.* Parchments bought at Cambridge by Mr. Rainolde, 7 Sept., 2*s.* 4*d.* Two dozen of parchment bought at Abingdon by the servant of the clerk of the lands, 13 Nov., 4*s.* 10*d.* Five cart-loads of wood for fuel, 10*s.* For coals and candles.

xv. *Of the Treasury:* To Rob. Hornsey for making two boxes in which the subdean took the evidences to London. For sealing wax (various), pens, glass, ink, and pounce. For a hamper (*calathus*) "ad reponendum spe's," 8*d.*; for a lock to it, 4*d.*

xvi. *Of the Barber's House:* For 6 qrs. of coals, 14 Jan., 4*s.* 6*d.* To Stalworthe, "pro 12 libris lichni faciendis cereis," 23 Jan., 2*s.* 8*d.* For the barber's basin, 2*s.* For oil, cloth (?) (*linum*), &c. Twenty-six qrs. of coal, at 8*d.* per qr.

xvii. *Of the Dean's House at Oxford:* To Baker, the dean's manciple, for necessaries. For a basket, 4*d.* Mending a window, 8*d.*

xviii. *Of the Dean's House at London:* For a little spit (?) (*vericulum*), 4*d.* For a lock and key to the council chamber (*conclavis*), 2*s.* For mending the streets for the year, 16*d.*

xix. *Of the Meadow:* For mowing, 38*s.* 8*d.* For making and carriage of hay, 7*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.*

xx. *Of the Orchard:* To a reaper for two days, 12*d.* To a woman weeding for three days, 12*d.* To one making a walk in the orchard for four days, 16*d.* To Margaret Hall, 3*d.* a day.

xxi. *Of the Store:* For a piece of linen cloth, called Bresell, bought by the subdean, 33*s.* 9¼*d.* For a piece of holland, 21*s.* Two bags, 8*d.* Two lb. pepper, as per bill of Mr. Champion and Posyer, 3*s.* 6*d.*

xxii. *Of the Bell Tower:* To Wm. Basset, bellringer, 28 June, "pro capistro magnæ campanæ et horologii," 20*d.* For a *capistrum* to three bells, 13*d.* "Pro torquibus campanarum," 2*s.* 4*d.* For making the iron tongue (?) (*vectis ferrei*) of the morning bell, 8*d.*; for a buckle to a bell, 3*d.* For mending the wheels of the bells, 12*d.*

xxiii. *Of the Garden:* To four gardeners for four days, 2*s.* 8*d.* For seeds, &c. Two women weeding for three days, 16*d.* To the same for other three days, 2*s.* To Margaret Hall, sweeping the garden, 6 June, 3*d.*

xxiv. *Fees:* To Mr. Baker and Mr. Pakington, 13*s.* 4*d.* To Mr. Belson of Bryll, for his fee for Wallingforde, 3*l.* Thos. Cromwell, for his fee due at the Annunciation of St. Mary last, by the subdean, 3 July, 10*l.* To Mr. Wm. Belson, for his fee of Chalforde of Wallingforde, 14 Oct., 40*s.* Wm. Symcocke, for his fee of Wallingford, 30*s.* Sir Ric. Clement, for his fee of Lesones, 5*l.* Mr. Luke Longden, for his fee of St. Frideswide, 4*l.*

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To Stephen Broderybbe, for debts of Lytylmore, 5*l.* To Mr. Lobysbonde, for his fee, 10*l.* Mr. Edw. Fetyplace, for his fee of Powgheley, 20*s.* To Mr. Inner, as attorney, 40*s.* Mr. Smyth, auditor, 10*l.* To Hucvaille, for past arrears, 20*s.*

xxv. *Liveries:* For the clerk of the lands, 10*s.*; for Hen. Turner, 10*s.* For summer liveries of the dean's servants, at 4*s.* 2*d.* a yard, 3*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* For a summer livery to Hardam, the groom (*subequestris*). For a winter livery to the subdean, 13*s.* 4*d.* For a summer livery to the clerk of the lands, 10*s.* Liveries to Mr. Smyth, auditor, 20*s.*; Mr. Laighton, 23*s.*; Mr. Tresham, 25*s.*; Dan Hanson and Dan Lawney, 20*s.* each; Bawden, Hardam, and Shirwin, 13*s.* 4*d.* each = 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

xxvi. *Pleas at Law:* Fees to Mr. Baker, Pakington, and Baldwen. To Mr. Croke, for copies out of Chancery, 27 July, and inquisitions made on the lands of the late monastery of St. Frideswide, 15*s.* To Edmund Knighteley for making a supplication to be presented to the King, 10 Aug. To his servant for writing, 4*s.* 8*d.* To Masters Skynner and Flete for looking over the King's pardon, 31 July, 3*s.* 4*d.* To Mr. Whyte for the same, 4*s.* 8*d.* To Mr. Knighteley coming hither, by command of the Dean, 30 July, 22*s.* 6*d.*; for his counsel by Mr. Champion at London, 27 July, 3*s.* 4*d.* To Mr. Browne, serjeant-at-law, 10*s.* To Mountegew and Horwodde, councillors in law, by Mr. Tresham, 13*s.* 4*d.* To the sheriff of Oxfordshire, for copy of a writ of Lytilmore on the eve of St. Thomas Apostle, 20*d.*

xxvii. *Stable:* Two cartloads of straw, 5*s.* 4*d.* To Lambe, smith, for shoeing horses, 20*s.* 1*d.* Horsecloths, 5*d.* a yard. For carriage of hay from the Blue Boar to the stable, 8*d.* To John Gyll, groom, for medicines to the horses, 10*d.* To Holden, for horsebread on the Dean's return from progress, 10 March, 5*s.* For mending the Dean's portmanteau, 11 May, 4*d.* For harness bought by the Subdean, 3*s.* For a cover for the same, 6*s.* 8*d.*; trappings for the same, 6*s.* To Ric. Burforde, mending the manger, 4*d.* To a saddler of Abingdon, on his bill, 22*s.* 1*d.* Oil for oiling horses' feet, 1*d.* Medicines for the Dean's horses, 10*d.* Two horsecloths bought at London by Mr. Beates, 30 Nov., 9*d.* Masters Standisshe and Parrot for grass for horses at Binsey for two years, 28*s.* 10*d.* For shoeing horses when the Dean and others returned from London, 28 Nov., 15*d.* For a horse-comb, 4*d.* For curing a horse of the Dean, 6*s.* 8*d.* For another horse cured in the foot, 12*d.* For a bucket to water the horses, 4*d.* Straw for two years, 11*s.* To the cellarer of Abingdon, on his bill, 12*s.* 2*d.* To John Markam, saddler, 31*s.*, &c.

xxviii. *Choristers:* For making 16 gowns, 8*d.* each. For lining them, 15 yds. at 5*d.* To Baker for making 15 gowns, at 7*d.* Offering to the choristers on Innocents' Day, 13*d.* Eight shirts, at 8*d.* each. Two surplices for Leonard, the chorister, 22*d.* For repairing the choristers' gowns. To Jo. Smythe, chorister, when he left, 2*s.* To Blunt for shoes and paper. To Radley's wife for 15 pairs of shoes, 5*s.*; and for curing the heads of six choristers, 3*s.* 4*d.* To Pigot for mending gowns and shoes. To Holbecke for 14 pair of shoes, 6*d.* each. For making of 14 shirts, 12*d.* For curing the head of Sharpe, the chorister, "pro crinali," 16*d.* To Folly, the carter, bringing boys back, for fodder, 20*d.* For a key of the choristers' chamber, 4*d.*; lock, 8*d.*

xxix. *Bakehouse:* For the boulter, 5*d.*; a sieve, 3*d.*; a basket, 10*d.*

xxx. *Pensions:* To John Leghe, portioner of Wolley, 16*s.* 8*d.* To Tapeter, vicar of Wornall, for the moiety of his pension, 40*s.* John Franks, registrar of the bishop of Lincoln, for procurations and indemnities. Henry Blakamore, late abbot of Lesones, half-year's pension, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Dr. Lundon for rectories, &c., 15 March, 3*s.* The bishop of Rochester for a composition, 6 May, 13*s.* 4*d.* To a chanter of Lincoln for arrears of a pension of Overwynchinton, 10*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* Katharine Wellis, late prioress of Lytlemore, by Thos. Cadbery, her servant, for an acquittance, 16 Aug., 5*l.* To Wm. Cope, servant at Lesones, 26*s.* 8*d.* Mr. Darell for a pension of the bishop of Rochester, 23*s.* 6*d.* For the bishop of Lincoln's visitation of the church of Padbery, by Franks, 3*s.* To Mr. Standisshe for the bishop of Lincoln's visitation for Chyrchyll, Aston Rowyn, Sandford, 19*s.* 2*d.* Mr. Stokes's corrody, 40*s.* Tho. Grym, vicar of St. Dunstan's, London, 14*s.* "D." More for a rent of Carbridge, 14*s.* 6*d.* Thos. Reede for procurations of Westhenred

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and Chaddylworth churches, 16*s.* 10½*d.* For procurations of Bryll, Okeley, and Borstall to the officers of the bishop of Lincoln, 10*s.* 2*d.*

xxxi. *Internal Repairs:* For making of doors next the kitchen, locks, padlocks, &c. To Joan Mondaie covering the stable, 2*s.* 8*d.*

xxxii. *External Repairs:* viz., at Bollis and Powgheley. To John Westburne, smith, &c.

Total of the whole book, 1,314*l.* 11*s.* 5½*d.* And they owe 389*l.* 4*s.* 2½*d.*, of which part is paid, for victuals, &c.; and 310*l.* 11*s.* 3¼*d.*, of which part is paid, for repairs of marshes at Plumstede and Lessones; and 126*l.* 2*s.* 7*d.*, of which part is paid in repayment of a loan; and 17*l.* 0*s.* 11¼*d.* besides.

Pp. 49, *on vellum* (4 *pp. blank*).

6789. Jewelry.

R. O. *Baldrics:* Gold, with nine fair balasses between angels, and nine pearl trueloves. Gold, enamelled blue and green, with twelve balasses. Spanish work, with sixteen balasses and fifteen pearl trefoils.

Carkeyns: With a table balasse, four diamonds, and a hanging pearl. With Ees, enamelled white and black, with an emerald, four diamonds, and a pearl. Of hearts, with a hand at every end holding a device of a balasse, and other stones. With a goodly diamond called the Mirror, and a hanging pearl. With Ll and K. Black, with a black eagle with a diamond rose in his breast, and a fair pointed diamond, the prize of the jousts in Flanders, and a hanging pearl. A blue heart and a "zyphus." A blue heart and H and K. With white letters and a lock to it. With two hands holding a heart, with a hanging pearl, given by the Queen. Two of Paris work. Gold, with all the King's devices, and a shield with a pillar; and others. In all, 30, some marked as broken stuff.

Chains: Spanish work, enamelled white and red, with a great balas. Gold, with St. George in a garter, and a pointed diamond, pendant. Gold, with a heart, a sapphire four pearls, and one hanging pearl. Flat, with a gold pomaunder. Gold, "gable facyon." A great gold chain, 4-fold, with letters overthwart, one link wreathed, another plain, with a great whistle (now in Sir W. Compton's charge), garnished with a ruby, a lozenge diamond, and five table diamonds. Gold, with knots, enamelled with red pansies; and others. In all, 39.

Garters: With gold buckle, pendant, and letters, and a diamond rose in the pendant. With gold letters, castles, and pomegranates, a ruby on the buckle, a turquoise on the pendant, and a hanging pearl. Sixteen of "stolewerk," or "wrought in the stoole," with gold buckles and pendants. Three courses of gold "stolewerk" for garters; others with rubies, diamonds, &c. In all, 54, besides a few buckles and pendants.

Images: Our Lady of Boleyn, with a ruby, three diamonds, and three pearls. A St. George on horseback, garnished with diamonds, the dragon of pearl. Two Georges, garnished with diamonds that sometime were in the crosses. A Michael, garnished with diamonds, a ruby in the dragon's belly, and a pearl upon the end of his staff. An angel holding a sapphire and a pearl. Two Georges on foot, with dragons. A gold tabernacle with an image of Our Lady in mother-of-pearl. A silver-gilt plate with an image of the Emperor. A gentlewoman, holding a "layer" in her hands, silver-gilt (Mr. Wyat). St. George on foot, with a shield of byralle. A gentlewoman of the Almain fashion, &c. In all, 24.

Tablets and Plates: A gold tablet of St. Margaret and St. Anne; another for reliques, Our Lady and St. George on one side, and St. Barbara and St. Peter on the other; others of the Maundy and Passion of Our Lord, St. Sebastian, St. Christopher, and St. George, &c. In all, 25 tablets. A plate with H and E crowned, and five of gold enamelled.

Hearts: Gold, set with four pointed diamonds, a ruby, and a hanging pearl. Spanish work, with St. Peter of Milan, with six diamonds. A blue heart of St. George, full of relics. Two, enamelled with pansies and gilliflowers, stricken through with an arrow, with a ruby. Blue, hanging to a bracelet. Gold, a man and an antelope on one side, and

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a gentlewoman on the other; another, a man and woman under a hawthorn on one side, and Our Lady on the other. Gold, with five wounds on one side, and Our Lady and St. Anne on the other. With St. George on one side, and Sts. Antony and Sebastian on the other. Twenty-two wrought with roses and pomegranates, &c. In all, 39.

Owches, Brooches, and Flowers: A flower, enamelled white, with three fair diamonds and a ruby. A water flower set with a fair balasse, a table diamond, and a hanging pearl. A gold brooch, with a man garnished with diamonds, and a red and white rose. A diamond "Jh's" with three hanging pearls. A diamond Y, with a hanging pearl. A diamond ship. Seventeen Paris brooches. A diamond M standing in a flower, with a hanging pearl. A little gold Margarette. A brooch of the Salutation. A brooch with E enamelled red. A brooch with a gentlewoman luting, and a scripture about it. Three brooches of the King's device: a man and woman under a hawthorn, a blue heart with divers scriptures, and a gentlewoman with a sail. A round brooch of a George on horseback. A brooch of St. Roke. A pansy with two hanging pearls, and a colett in which a balasse stood. Brooches of zyphus, &c. In all, 324.

A white falcon on a mount with a crown and ruby about her neck. A white greyhound and a dragon on a mount. Three pieces of gold, with white greyhounds on them. A silver-gilt tabernacle. A peach, enamelled green, open in the midst, with a pearl, and four little rubies, and three hanging pearls. St. John's head in a dish. Two Toisons. Two gold castles. A hawthorn. A gold arrow. An eagle with a ruby between his feet.

Crosses: A diamond cross with three hanging pearls. A St. Andrew's cross, with a diamond rose in the midst, four table diamonds, and a hanging pearl. A little emerald cross of St. Antony. Two crosses of Henry's making, with Our Lady on one side, and St. George on the other, &c. In all, 16.

Spoons: Two gold, two silver gilt. Gold snuffers and a knife.

Rings, Signets, and Tokens: A ruby ring wherewith the King was sacred. Signets, with three ostrich feathers, the arms of England, and the arms of England and Spain. A ring sent from the Bastard. A ring with a leopard's face, the eyes small diamonds, and the tongue a ruby. A hoop with a portcullis; another with H and E; and others of various stones. In all, 234 rings, 9 puffes of Paris, and 47 tokens.

Stones: 20 diamonds, 5 rubies, 31 balasses, 2 jacynths, 6 sapphires, and 8 emeralds, some with hanging pearls.

Pearls: 144. 7 trefoils, 7 trueloves, 5 small ropes of pearls, and 144 other pearls.

Beads: Jet, with gold gaudies. Exulila, with the five wounds. Amber, with gold gaudies, and five gold beads at the end, with the five wounds. Amber, with a golden tablet; the Passion on one side, St. Katharine on the other. In all, ten pair of beads, five gold gaudees of the Passion, and [324] beadstones.

Buttons: [458] of roses, H and E, and other sorts.

Aglets: [984] of various colors.

Shields and Targets: Three gold targets. A target of the Passion; and three shields, with the Salutation, a pillar, and an oak.

Bracelets and Bracers: Paris work, with jacynths. With eight diamonds, eight rubies, fourteen pearls, and a diamond rose. A bracer of crimson velvet, with gold buckle, pendant, sides; others of painted leather and wrought in the stole. In all, seventeen bracelets and seven bracers.

Girdles: Seventeen girdles of gold, Paris work, and satin. A silver gilt harness for a girdle, a buckle, and a pendant, and a "dymy ceynt" for a woman, of "stoolewerk."

Dog-hooks: Eight of gold, and one of silver.

Bags: A bag with a rocky diamond, a ruby, an emerald between two naked children, and a hanging pearl. Another, with a ruby, two triangle diamonds, an emerald, and a diamond crown, with three hanging pearls. Crimson satin, embroidered with H and K. Black velvet, embroidered with a pomegranate, and a girdle to it. Others, embroidered with two griffins, an antelope, a heart, and two peacocks. One with a dagger at it. In all, 31 bags.

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Coifs: 88 of gold and various silks, some garnished with pearls.

Bonnets: White velvet, with a brooch of St. George, and 23 buttons. White velvet, with a man of white jasper. Black velvet, with a head and breast of jacinth. Purple velvet, with twelve pair of aglets enamelled green. Black, with an owche of the Maundy. Russet velvet, with a brooch of the Salutation. Crimson satin, with a brooch of a ship and nine pair of agletts. In all, 28 bonnets.

Hats: Three; velvet, red, and green silk.

Collars: Four of gold to wrestle in. One stolework. One gold, of elephants, with three pointed diamonds, and Our Lady. One of garters, that was the King's when he was Prince; and one with a Toison.

Loops: Eighteen pair and three single loops. Gold and enamel, and five buttons.

Small Flagons and Glasses for Rose Water: Three gold, two silver-gilt, two stone, and a gold casting glass.

Pomanders: Sixteen; one with H and K; one with ostrich feathers and red roses.

Small Coffers: Seven; of gold, silver gilt, and byrall; one with relics.

Boxes: A silver-gilt box, containing the ring wherewith Henry VI. espoused his Queen. Silver-gilt, for weights; and another, silver-gilt, for green ginger, with a dragon on the top. In all, seven boxes.

Hands of Gold: A gentlewoman's hand of gold, with an enamelled bracelet, set with four pointed diamonds and four pearls, with three rings on her fingers, diamond, emerald, and ruby, holding a white and red rose, with a balasse in the midst. Twenty-one hands with hearts. In all, 35.

Zyphus: 13, one with 73 pearls.

Garnish for Headpieces: One with 52 coarse balasses and 36 pearls. A device with four square balasses, standing in a white and red rose, with branches of pearls, a lion, and other broken pieces of garnishing and Spanish work.

Leashes, Dog-collars, Lyalmes, and Turretts: A baldric of a leash, silk and gold. Twenty-eight collars of stoolwork, silk, velvet, and needlework, with gilt and laten turrets, and with leashes and lyalmes of various silks.

Hawks' Hoods, &c.: Two virells, with the arms of England. Thirty-six hoods; one gold, with six rubies. A lure embroidered with a "bore" on one side, and a fountain with two unicorns on the other. Thirty-four pairs of bells, gold, gilt, and silver, and a glove.

Points: 119 of various silks, with gold aglets. 111 of goldsmith's work, with and without pearls, and like truelove knots.

Unicorn's Bones: Three pieces.

Books, &c.: A book and a cross. A primer, with illuminated images, gold clasps, and the arms of England. Others covered with crimson velvet, and green satin and crimson satin. A corporax case. A gold inkhorn and penner. A gold register. A silver standish with H and E. A gold spectacle case, with the English arms on one side, and the Salutation on the other. A silver-gilt penner and inkhorn.

Rolls and Valentines: 313 rolls of various colored gold, and five valentines of goldsmith's work.

Two gold toothpicks with H and E. A bittern's claw set in gold. A gold toothpick and an earpick, with a chain; and two other toothpicks, one with a ruby and a pearl, and the other with a ruby and diamond. An ostrich feather garnished with four small rubies. Three goblets. A gold dial, with H and E crowned on one side, and a portcullis on the other. A latten dial. Two gold whistles. Several pieces of broken gold. A portague. A noble and a ducat. Eight royals and two nobles on a black lace. A sovereign. Two nobles. Half noble, bowed. Two pieces of Spanish coin. Four horns, garnished with gold and silver. A round silver ball, with H and E upon it. A corse for a girdle, "stoolewerk;" and a harness, silver and gilt. St. Audrey laces and pieces of black ribands. A silver-gilt buckler, with the English arms, roses, castles, and pomegranates.

A dagger with a silver sheath and jasper haft; another dagger with a jasper haft. Two embroidered doublets. A piece of a gown, cloth of gold. A piece of arras of the Passion. A dragon's tongue at a black lace. A pair of gloves and two pair of knives that were delivered to the dean of Westminster by good king Henry (to be kept for the King's use). A maser that belonged to the same King. A silver-gilt comb case with H and K; another of crimson satin. A proper shaving cloth.

Pp. 27, much defaced. Many of the articles are marked as broken stuff.

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R. O. 2. Another list, containing a number of the same entries in a different order, with corrections in Wolsey's hand, and marginal notes opposite some items as follows: "Broken stuff."—"With my lady Princess."—"To the Wardrobe," &c.

On the last page: ". . . . . ensuing were taken by . . . . . of forfaiture at Calais, at the King's going over the sea":—

"First, in a square black box, a goodly emerald set in a flower."

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R. O. 3. Another list, similar to the preceding, containing for the most part the same entries, and also the following:—

Rings with sapphires, spynees, turquoise, crapawde, and one with an A of diamonds. Five gold gaudees of the Passion. Twenty-seven tokens, of Paris work. "A brooch of the dome." A white satin girdle, with gold buckle, pendant, and studs. A pair of Paris work bracelets with jacinths. A roll with thirty-nine Paris rings, with small stones. A gold hand with a ball in it. A brooch with four blue hearts. One doz. arming points, red silk and gold, with gold aglets. A balasse set in coletts; another enamelled with Margarets. A harness for a girdle, silver and gilt. A gold spoon and knife. Eight royals and two nobles on a black lace. An ostrich feather garnished with four s . . . . . A table diamond, a sapphire, an emerald, and seven small diamonds. Twenty-three pearls on a wire. A pomaunder and a tablet, of Spanish work. Four aglets wreathen in little rings close together. A gold dial, with H and E crowned on one side, and a portcullis on the other. "A byttor's clee," garnished with pearl. A great pearl in a case. A ring with a leopard's face; the eyes small diamonds, and the tongue a ruby. A round silver-gilt ball, with H and E on it, to warm hands with. Three goodly gold pomaunders with chains. A gold bracelet with a jacinth. A gold tabernacle, with Our Lady in mother-of-pearl. A little Agnus of "stoole work." An embroidered bracer, and a gold powder box with red roses and portcullises. Two pearls and a ruby standing in a colett. Three rings, diamond, emerald, and ruby, that were on the fingers of a gentlewoman's hand. A George on foot, with an emerald, a balas, and four pearls, delivered again by the King to Mr. Compton. A silver-gilt plate with an image of the Emperor. A tablet of Our Lady and Mary Magdalen; another, with St. Katharine, in mother-of-pearl on one side, and St. John the Baptist on the other; with five small rubies and five small pearls. Two ropes of beadstones, containing 200. A pair of jet beads, gaudeed with gold, with a tablet of the birth of Christ. 184 flowers set with pearls in gold. A silver-gilt coffer with a lock. A "pechye" enamelled green, open in the middle, with a . . . . . four little rubies and three hanging pearls. A tablet of St. John Baptist. A St. John's head in a dish. A gold castle. A heart with "paunces" enamelled white.

Pp. 8, *mutilated.*

R. O. 4. Another similar list, headed: "Stuff which is affirmed to be delivered unto the King's grace not contained in my lord Cardinal's book."

Corrected draft, p. 1.

6790. GOLD and JEWELRY.

R. O. 1. * * * Crown gold, 522½ oz. 3¼ dwt. Base gold, 367½ oz. 1½ dwt. More base gold which Sir H. Wyat should have received, by a book marked with my lord Cardinal's hand, 229¾ oz. "Item, with the ear of gold, a gentlewoman luting, three aglets," &c., 8½ oz. ½ q.

P. 1, *mutilated.*

R. O. 2. Another list, mostly the same as the preceding, with the quality of the gold, crown, coarse, fine or base, marked.

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Another list, giving the weight.

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6791. REVELS.

R. O. Fragment of one of Gibson's revel accounts.
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6792. DEBTS TO THE KING.

R. O. Account of sums owing to Henry VIII., payable by annual instalments. by Sir John Savage, sen. and jun., Sir Will. Brereton, Sir Walter Calverley, Sir John Norton, Will. Lytton, Jo. Fortescue, Sir Jo. Melton, Sir Thos. Brian, Sir Jo. Bouchier lord Barnes, Sir Jo. Touchett, Will. lord Sandes, Thos. Empson, Sir Edw. Chamberlayn, Sir Will. Carewe, Sir Edw. Sutton lord Dudley, Thos. late earl of Derby, Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, Sir Geo. Hastynges earl of Huntingdon, Henry Turnor, Edw. Forman, the marchioness of Dorset, Sir Rob. Sheffeld, Sir Nich. Wadham, John lord Hussey.
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6793. SEAMEN.

R. O. "A book of prests of money in Seland to shipmen by Lelegrave's bidding, and writing for the King's business done per Semper."
Various sums paid to shipmen in Zealand by Lelegrave's bidding, from 3 Aug. to 15 Sept. To Bowen Adrien, at Midilborowe, by Wm. Beynam. To Adrian Bos, by Semper and Beynam, 36*l.* 5*s.* Fl. Other payments to John Piers, John Vaghon, and others. *Each payment signed by the mark of the receiver.*
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6794. SIR RICHARD SACHEVERELL and SIR WILLIAM FITZWILLIAM.

R. O. 1. The King to grant to the said Sir Richard and Sir William the offices of warden and chief justice in Eyre of all royal forests, &c. this side Trent, in survivorship, with the appointment of officers in the said forests, &c. 2. The offices of keeper and woodward of all the King's woods. 3. The oversight of woods this side Trent. 4. They are to see that surety be taken for the payment of the money obtained from wood sales to the treasurer of the Chamber. 5. To appoint workmen to hedge and fence the coppice where wood sales shall be made, and keepers yearly for the fence of the coppice. 6. Widows marrying without licence to be fined, and to make obligations. 7. Widows sueing for licence to marry to pay a fine. 8. Forfeitures to be delivered to the said Sir Richard and Sir William, who are to summon the offenders before them, deliver their bills to the attorney general, and their obligations to the treasurer of the Chamber.
Large paper, pp. 5. *Endd.:* "Instruction for the King's commission of justice in Eyre on this side Trent, for Sir Ric. Sacheverel and Sir W. Fitzwilliam."

6795. JOHN LEWIS VIVES to GILES WALLOP (GUALOPUS).

Vivis Opera, VII. 208. Has often spoken at the palace to his brother, who is beloved by the King, the Queen, and the other princes of England. Has talked with him about many things, as he, like Ulysses, has visited many countries, and knows the customs and tongues of many men. He seems to love Giles more as a father than a brother, and is always eager for his advantage. He spoke to the Queen about him, as he and Vives accompanied her from Richmond to Syon, and has asked Vives to write to him about learning and virtue. Has been too busy hitherto to do so. Exhorts him, as a priest of Christ, to practise virtue and study the Gospel.
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6796. JOHN LEWIS VIVES to JOHN CLAYMUND.

Vivis Opera, VII. 214.

Is ashamed at not having written for so long, but has been prevented by many circumstances, of which he, doubtless, is aware, as they are well known both in England and here.

Lat.

6797. JOHN LEWIS VIVES to JOHN BISHOP OF LINCOLN.

Vivis Opera, VII. 212.

Has nothing worth writing to one occupied in public business, but does not wish him to think that he has forgotten his kindness.

Lat.

6798. OBLIGATIONS.

R. O.

Inventory of four files of old obligations, chiefly of Henry VII.'s time, annotated in the margin by Sir Brian Tuke, to show what has been done about each. The last file is of "obligations called desperate."

ii. Obligations received by Mr. Wyat, of Sir Geoffrey Wrenne, executor to Master Uxenbrige."—A memorandum in Tuke's hand appears in the margin, stating that he had arranged to take proceedings against all those in this list along with the others, but was told by the provost of Eton they were for benevolence, and that it had not been Henry VII.'s intention that they should be demanded; that he had put the whole book in the hands of the King's attorney's clerk, Scot, now dead, &c.

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6799. The PRIOR OF LAUNDE.

R. O.

Petition of Dan John Lancaster, prior of Lande, Lincoln dioc.

1. For a Papal confirmation of all the privileges granted to him by Thos. cardinal of York, with power of creating notaries and legitimising bastards. 2. Dispensation to hold, with his priory, another priory of the same order, or an abbey or other benefice. 3. With power to reside on it, without being compelled to do so.

Lat., p. 1. *Endd.:* "The prior of Launde."

6800. CROMWELL to HENRY BOROUGH.

R. O.

Mr. Somers has been asked to sell his horse by some Frenchmen, but having promised the refusal to Mr. Borough, wishes to know his mind. London, Saturday. *Signed.*

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ii. Henry Burgh to Cromwell.

Thanks him for his manifold goodness. The horse will serve no man to ride on at this time, and he advises Mr. Somers to sell it. "There is no man that can skell of a hors that welle ronn of hem." If he cannot sell him, will buy him at a reasonable price, though he will do no service this quarter of a year.

Hol. Written on the the back of the preceding.

6801. THE DIVORCE.

Vesp. C. XIII. 335.

A paper respecting the divorce, in Ghinucci's hand.

Lat., p. 1. *Endd.:* My lord of Worcester.

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6802. ——— to ———.

R. O. An anonymous letter, signed C. B., addressed, "Mon Senyor Reverendissimo," in which the writer expresses a wish to have an interview with his Lordship without being seen at court.

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6803. GRANTS in DECEMBER 1530.

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GRANTS.

1. Geo. Warener, serjeant-at-arms. To be keeper of the Great Park of Farnham, Surrey, with 4*d.* a day; forfeited by Thomas cardinal "bishop" of York, for offences against the statute 16 Ric. II. Hampton Court, 27 Sept. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 1 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 11.

2. Wm. Gonson, gentleman usher of the Chamber, *alias* of Depfordestrond, Kent, merchant, *alias* purveyor of stores for the King's ships, *alias* keeper of stores therein. Pardon and release of all matters before 30 Dec. 17 Hen. VIII. Hampton Court, 16 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 2 Dec. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 4.

ii. Duplicate of the above attached. 2 Dec.

Commissions of the Peace.

4. *Devon:* Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Hen. marquis of Exeter, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, J. bishop of Exeter, John lord Fitzwaren, John lord Zouche, Sir John Fitzjames, Sir Wm. Shelley, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., Sir Wm. Courteney, Sir Thos. Denys, Sir Piers Eggecombe, Sir Edward Pomerey, Sir Wm. Carewe, Sir Phil. Champernon, Sir Phil. Fulford, John Rowe, serjeant-at-law, Baldwin Malett, John Chamound, John Gilberte, Barth. Fortescue, And. Hillarsden, John Kayleway, Ric. Hals, Humph. Colles, Hugh Pollard, Ric. Yerd, Anth. Pollard, Hen. Walrond, John Whidon, Hugh Yeo, Wm. Rowpe. Westm., 4 Dec.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 12*d.*

6. *Cambridgeshire:* Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, N. bishop of Ely, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., Sir Robt. Norwiche, Ric. Lister, chief baron of the Exchequer, Sir Mich. Fyssher, Sir Robt. Payton, Sir Thos. Elyott, Thos. Lucas, Philip Parys, John More, Thos. Checheley, John Hynde, Thos. Megge, Thos. Hutton, Thos. Pygott, Robt. Tylney, Thos. Rudston, Thos. Castell, Chris. Burgoyn. Westm., 6 Dec.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 12*d.*

6. *Cumberland:* Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, Hen. earl of Northumberland, Hen. earl of Cumberland, J. bishop of Carlisle, Wm. lord Dacre of Gyllesland, Chris. lord Conyers, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., John Spelman, serjeant-at-law, Humph. Broune, serjeant-at-law, Thos. Magnus, clk., Sir Thos. Clyfford, Sir Wm. Parre, Sir Wm. Bulmer, Sir Chris. Dacre, Sir Wm. Hylton, Sir Wm. Eures, Sir Thos. Tempeste, Sir John Lowdre, Sir Wm. Penyngton, Sir Wm. Musgrave, Wm. Tate, clk., Robt. Bowes, Geof. Lancaster, Ric. Barwys, Wm. Bentley, John Bristowe, Ric. Irton, Wm. Lancastre. Westm., 6 Dec.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 12*d.*

6. Thos. Dawson, marshal of the King's hall, and Wm. Burdett, page of the King's stirrup (?) Grant of the offices of bailiff of the manor of Clynke, in Southwarke, Surrey; and keeper of the manor of "le Clynke," with 2*d.* a day; in the King's hands by the forfeiture of Thomas cardinal of York. Chertsey, 4 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 6 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 29.

6. John Petro de Bagnasco and Gaspar Zonello. Licence to export 100 way of cheese. Hampton Court, 22 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 6 Dec.—P.S.

8. Commission of the Peace.

Derbyshire: Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, Wm. lord Mountjoy, Francis lord Talbott. Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., Sir Humph. Conyngesby, Sir Anth. Fitzherbert, Sir John Porte, Sir Godfrey Fuljambe, Sir Roger Mynours, Sir Thos. Cokayn, Anth. Babyngton, Wm. Coffyn, John Fitzherberte, Mat. Knyston, German Poole, Thos. Curson, Arthur Eyre, Geo. Fyndern, Ralph Sacheverell. Westm., 8 Dec.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 12*d.*

10. Katharine Strykland, late of Thornton Bryggys, Yorksh., widow of Sir Walt. Strykland, *alias* Katharine Borough, widow, executrix of Hen. Boroughe. Protection; going in the retinue of Sir Thos. Clyfford, vice-captain of Berwick-upon-Tweed. Hampton Court, 5 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII. [*Del.*] 10 Dec. —P.S.

11. John Bradwey, clk. Presentation to the parish church of Campe, Cant. dioc., *vice* Geo. Challysworth, deceased. Hampton Court, 11 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII.—P.S.

11. Owen Hawkyns, merchant of London. Licence to export all merchandize not forbidden by statute. Chelsea, 11 Dec.—*Fr.* 22 *Hen. VIII. m.* 1.

11. Thos. Sakevyle. Lease of the warren of coneys in the Ips. of Clophill and Caynehoo, parcel of lands purchased, Beds.; for 21 years, at the annual rent of 60*s.*, and 10*s.*

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of increase.—S.B., year supplied by Pat. —*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

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12. *Dorset:* Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, Hen. lord Montague, John lord Audeley, John lord Fitzwaren, Edward lord Stourton, Hen. lord Dawbenay, Sir John Fitzjames, Sir Wm. Shelley, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., Sir Giles Strangways, Sir Wm. Stourton, Sir Thos. Trenchard, Sir John Rogers, Sir Wm. Caraunte, Sir Thos. Lynde, Sir Edward Willoughby, John Horsey, sen., John Britt, Wm. Uvedale, John Rogers, jun., John Orenge, Ric. Phelipps, Wm. Hody, Nic. Willoughby, John Horsey, jun., Hen. Assheley, Hen. Strangwayes, Wm. Thornell, Hen. Trenchard. Westm., 12 Dec.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 12*d.*

12. *Essex:* Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, John earl of Oxford, Hen. earl of Essex, Thos. earl of Rutland, Robt. earl of Sussex, Wm. prior of St. John's of Jerusalem in England, Hen. lord Morley, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., Thos. abbot of Colchester, Sir Robt. Norwich, Thos. Inglefeld, Chris. Hales, attorney general, Sir Brian Tuke, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, sen., Sir Th. Tyrell of Hern, Sir Roger Wentworth, Sir Giles Capell, Sir John Grene, Sir John Raynesford, Sir Thos. Seymour, Sir Thos. Tey, Sir Wm. Pyrton, Humph. Broune, serjeant-at-law, Thos. Audeley, Humph. Wingfeld, John Seyntclere, Thos. Bonham, Wm. West, Edward Tyrell, John Smyth, Roger Cholmeley, Wm. Bradbury, Ric. Riche, Ric. Higham, John Pilbarough, Peter Baron, John Edmunds, jun., Barth. Prowse. Westm., 12 Dec.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 13*d.*

12. *Yorkshire, West Riding:* Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, Cuthbert bishop of Durham, Hen. earl of Northumberland, Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, Thos. earl of Rutland, Hen. earl of Cumberland, Chris. Conyers lord Conyers, Thos. lord Darcy, Francis lord Talbott, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., Ric. Lister, chief baron of the Exchequer, John Spelman, serjeant-at-law, Humph. Broune, serjeant-at-law, Brian Higden, clk., dean of York Cathedral, Sir Geo. Darcy, Sir Wm. Bulmer, Sir Ric. Tempeste, Sir Wm. Eurers, Sir Thos. Wentworth, Wm. Tate, clk., Sir Wm. Middelton, Sir Robt. Nevell, Sir Wm. Malyverey, Sir Geo. Lawson, Th. Fairefax, serjeant-at-law, John Norton, Steph. Hamerton, Brian Hastynges, Robt. Bowes, Wm. Babthorp, Wm. Copley, Robt. Chaloner, John Pullyn, Thos. Gryse, Wm. Girlyngton, Thos. Grene, John Lambard. Westm., 12 Dec.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 13*d.*

12. *York, East Riding:* Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, Cuthbert bishop of Durham, Hen. earl of Northumberland, Geo. earl of Shrewsbury, Thos. earl of Rutland, Hen. earl of Cumberland, Th. lord Darcy, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., John Spelman, serjeant-at-law, Humph. Broune, serjeant-at-law, Brian Higden, clk., dean of York cathedral, Thos. Magnus, clk., Sir Geo. Darcy, Sir Wm. Bulmer, Sir Ric. Tempest, Sir Wm. Eures, Sir Ralph Eure, Sir Robt. Constable, Sir Ralph Ellerker, jun., Sir Robt. Aske, Sir Peter Vavasour, Sir Marmaduke Constable, sen., Sir Geo. Lawson, Th. Fairfax, serjeant-at-law, Wm. Tate, clk., Robt. Bowes, Chris. Hilzard, Ric. Smythley, Robt. Creke of Beverley, Wm. Babthorp, Chris. Therkyll, sen., Wm. Thwaytes. Westm., 12 Dec.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 13*d.*

12. *York, North Riding:* Sir Thos. More, C., Thos. duke of Norfolk, Chas. duke of Suffolk, Thos. earl of Wiltshire, Cuthbert bishop of Durham, Hen. earl of Cumberland, Chris. lord Conyers, Thos. lord Darcy, Francis lord Talbott, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, jun., John Spelman, serjeant-at-law, Humph. Broune, serjeant-at-law, Brian Higden, clk., dean of York Cathedral, Thos. Magnus, clk., Sir Geo. Darcy, Sir Wm. Bulmer, Sir Ric. Tempest, Sir Thos. Tempest, Sir Wm. Eures, Sir Wm. Middelton, Sir John Nevell, Sir Marmaduke Constable, Sir Edward Gower, Sir Nich. Fairefaxe, Sir Geo. Lawson, Sir Jas. Metcalf, Thos. Fairfax, serjeant-at-law, Wm. Tate, clk., Robt. Bowes, John Norton, Roger Lasselles, Wm. Rokeby, John Pulleyn, Robt. Mennell, Jas. Fox, Wm. Danby. Westm., 12 Dec.—*Pat.* 22 *Hen. VIII. p.* 1, *m.* 13*d.*

14. Thos. lord Howard. Livery of lands as son of Thos. duke of Norfolk and Elizabeth his wife, one of the two daughters of John, late lord Marney, and of Christina late wife of the said John, d. and h. of Sir Roger Newburgh, deceased; on all the portion belonging to the said Elizabeth, of the possessions of the said John lord Marney and Christina, or of lady Bridget Marney, late wife of the said John, in England, Wales, and the marches thereof. Hampton Court, 4 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 Dec. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 10.

14. Thos. Pereson, parson of the parish church of Tollington, Suss. To be one of the King's chaplains and chantry priests in the cathedral church of Chychestre; with licence to be non-resident upon his said benefice of Tollington, according to the Act 21 Hen. VIII. Hampton Court, 12 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Westm., 14 Dec.—P.S.

15. Baltazar, Pasqual and Jeremy Spynnell, merchants of Genoa. Pardon for evading payment of customs on 2,000 quintals of alum imported into England, and landed at the port of London. Hampton

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Court, 23 Nov. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 15 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3. *Rym. xiv.* 408.

16. Lord Sandes, the King's chamberlain, and lieutenant of Guisnes castle. Licence to export 500 quarters of malt for the victualling of Guisnes. Westm., 16 Dec.—*Fr.* 22 *Hen. VIII. m.* 1.

16. Ant. Antony, groom of the Chamber. Licence to export 60 tuns of beer. Chelsea, 16 Dec.—*Fr.* 22 *Hen. VIII. m.* 2.

19. Thos. lord Burgh, and Edward his s. and h. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of steward of the manor of the soc of Kirton in Lyndsey, Linc., and of all the King's lands and tenements in the said soc, on surrender of Pat. 1 Sept. 10 Hen.VIII. granting the same to the said Thos. alone. Hampton Court, 23 Oct. 22 Hen. VIII.. *Del* Westm., 19 Dec.—P. S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3.——*Vacated on surrender* 3 *April* 25 *Hen. VIII. for a purpose stated on the dorse of the patent.*

19. John Herbert, clk. Grant of a canonry and prebend in the collegiate church of St. Stephen, in Westminster palace, *vice* Thos. Wynter, clk., resigned. Hampton Court, 12 Dec. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 19 Dec.—P.S.——Mandate in pursuance, dated 21 Dec.—*Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 22.

20. John Servile of Chichester, Sussex, native of Rouen in France. Denization. Hampton Court, 13 Dec. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 20 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 21.

21. Thos. Grey, yeoman of the Guard, and John Bukby, officer of the Pantry. To be bailiffs of the lp. of Horseley, Derb., *vice* Robt. Hopkyns or Roger Croket. Hampton Court, 12 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 21 Dec.—P.S.

21. Wm. Asshton. Livery of lands as s. and h. of Nich. Asshton. Hampton Court, 30 Nov. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 21 Dec. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 13.

21. Thos. Russhe, serjeant-at-arms, and Thos. Alverd, gentleman usher of the Chamber. Grant of the site of the manor of Snape, Suff.; with all demesne lands thereto belonging, the warren of coneys there, and a water-mill in the said manor; the site of the manor of Alderburgh, Suff., with all demesne lands thereto belonging, which lately were parcel of the lands of the suppressed priory of Snape; for 30 years, at the annual rent of 45*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* York Place, 17 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 21 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 21.

21. Wm. Throgmarton, LL.D., and Wm. Clayburgh, LL.D. Grant, in survivorship, of the office of notary or prothonotary of Chancery, with the usual fees, and 50 marks a year out of the issues of the Hanaper of Chancery; on surrender of patent 20 Nov. 2 Hen.VIII., granting the same to the said Throgmorton alone. Hampton Court, 7 Dec. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 21 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 6.—Draft of the preceding in R.O.

24. Sir Ric. Page, knight of the Body. Grant of the site of the late priory of St. Leonard, Thoby, Essex, and the manors of Thoby and Bluntzwall, Essex; with messuages, lands, &c. in Thoby, Gingemountney *alias* Mountnesing, Bluntzwall, Cupsolde, Wyndall, Parva Warley, Marses, Nosells *alias* Norlsells, Rome, Maylond, Mowlond, Wyndhull, Runwell, Bobyngworth, Springfeld, Hereford, Stoke Paching, Shenfeld, Ingraf, Raureth, Colchester, Borhame, Stondon, Wryttell, Shelowe, Gingemargaret, Cubsant, and Shenfeld, Essex; which belonged to Thos. cardinal archbishop of York, attainted. Hampton Court, 3 Dec. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 4.

24. Wm. Cokkes, one of the King's footmen. To have a corrody or sustentation in the monastery of Ensham, Oxford, *vice* Hugh Norton, deceased. Hampton Court, 12 Dec. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 24 Dec. —P.S.

24. Ralph Worseley, steward of the Chamber. To be keeper of the lions, lionesses, and leopards in the Tower of London, with a place in the Tower for the keepers of the said animals, and another place for the animals, with 2*d.* a day, and 6*d.* a day for the support of the animals; which office, &c. were granted to Jas. Worseley, then page of the wardrobe of Robes, by patent 4 April 4 Hen.VIII. York Place, 17 Dec. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 24 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 20.

24. Chris. More, clerk of the Exchequer. Licence to impark 200 acres of land, pasture, and wood at his manor of Loseley, in the parish of St. Nicholas, near Guldeford, Surrey, and to have free warren within the enclosure. York Place, 17 Dec. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 24 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

26. John Ferdinand de Parades, procurator and messenger of the Order of St. Mary, and to all other procurators and messengers of that Order. Licence to publish the apostolic indulgences, remissions, &c. granted to the said Order by several Popes, and confirmed by Clement VII., for the ransom of Christian captives, and to collect alms for that purpose. Hampton Court, 9 Dec. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 26 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

27. Hen. Thornton, controller of customs in the port of Briggewater. Licence to perform that office by deputy, notwithstanding the Act 4 Hen. IV. [c. 20.] York Place, 21 Nov. 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 27 Dec. —P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 20.

29. David Vyncent. To be keeper of the Great Wardrobe in the manor of Rychemond, with 6*d.* a day, *vice* Roger Bryne, deceased.

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Greenwich, 22 Dec. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 29 Dec.—P.S. ——*Vacated on surrender* 12 *Oct.* 31 *Hen. VIII. Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 3.

31. Wm. Morice, yeoman of the Chamber. Grant, in reversion, of the offices of surveyor and general receiver of the possessions of Margaret late countess of Richemond and Derby, the King's grandmother, in England, Wales, and the marches thereof; which offices were granted by patent 2 Dec. 2 Hen. VIII. to Jas. Morice and Hugh Edwards, now deceased. With the same fees as the said Jas. and Hugh had, payable out of the issues of the said possessions, both in the King's hands and in the hands of Hen. duke of Somerset and Richemond. York Place, 21 Nov. 22 Hen. VIII. *Del.* Chelsea, 31 Dec.—P.S. *Pat. p.* 2, *m.* 1.

APPENDIX.

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1 Feb.
Harl. MS. 7571, f. 31. B.M.

1. [COVENTRY.]

At the assembly held on Wednesday in the first day of Clean Lent [1523] :—Present, Mr. Thos. Banwell, mayor; Mr. Whyte, master of the guild; Mr. Marler, Mr. Hassall, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Humfrey, Mr. Waren, Mr. Bonde, Mr. Nethermyll.

The following aldermen were elected :—Mr. Maler, of the Bayle Lane; Mr. Whyte, of the Croschepynge warde; Mr. Nethermyll, of the Jurdenwelwarde; Mr. Heynes, deputy to Mr. Dodsburi, of the Sponstret ward.

"Money to go to a common wealth for making of cloth," moved by Mr. Swyllyngton, recorder, 40*l.* Mr. Whyte, master of the guild, 40 mks. Mr. Marler 40*l.* Mr. Nethermyll, 20*l.*

Wednesday in the second week of Lent :—Present, Mr. T. Bamwell, mayor; Mr. Whyte, master of the guild; Messrs. Marler, Hassall, Clarke, Waren, Bonde, and Wycam. It was agreed that the aldermen should examine and punish bawdry and other misdoers during Lent.

Wednesday in the fourth week in Lent :—The mayor and other persons named above being present. It was agreed that Richard Wethers and Thos. Spon, late chamberlains, should be warned to pay 3*l.* 8*s.* 10½*d.* to the mayor and his brethren on Friday next, on pain of imprisonment.

Henry Ins, priest, put in a bill of petition.

Wednesday after the feast of St. Gregory. It was agreed that the tenement in the Dede Lane, with the Cold house belonging to the city, should be let for twelve years at 20*s.*; and that the wardens should enter upon Jakson's house, and let it to the profit of the city.

Wednesday after the Translation of St. Thomas :—Mr. Julian Nethermyll, Mr. Grene, and others, being present. The craft of tailors and shermen made petition to levy their fines and apprentices according to their old customs, which were redressed at the leet held in Mr. Nicholas Burweyes year, but their petition was refused. The aumers (?) of the clerk of the market held before Mr. Mayor, 20 May, was assessed.

Monday after Relike Sunday :—Present, Mr. Julyn Nethermyll, mayor; Messrs. Wycam, Grene, Hassall, Clerke, Wareyn, and Whyte. John Dudley and Thos. Enderby, collectors of the rents of the common ground for the year that Mr. Wycam was mayor, brought in 12*l.* 7*s.*, of which 6*s.* 8*d.* was given them for their diligence, and the rest put in the common box, where there is now 58*l.* 9*s.* 7*d.* and divers girdles belonging to Robt. Walshe, draper, as a gage for 33*s.* 4*d.*, and 10*s.* for the bequest of Thos. Bradmedowe.

Wednesday after the feast of St. Bartlemewe :—The mayor and others being present. Thos. Rawlyns, sergeant, was ordered to bring his account of the money given him for conveying soldiers. A bill was made to calm all other debtors.

Wednesday following :—Mr. Mayor, Mr. Recorder, the master of the Trynyte Yelde, and others, being present. Mr. Recorder related the acts and

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manner of the last Parliament, as a burgess of the city, and had hearty thanks therefor, and likewise Mr. Marler. The mayor and council have given Mr. Stronge express warning to leave his house at Candlemas, and pay the arrears of his rent.

Wednesday after the feast of St. Matthew :—The mayor, Mr. Frey, and others, being present. It was agreed that in consideration of Robt. Nicoll's petition, he should have "his gauge dd. distr. for selling ale in the time of Divine service"; and that Henry Knyght, Esq., and Rauff Norwod, gent., should pay their murage after the rate of the rent of their tenements.

Wednesday after Michaelmas :—Present, the mayor and others. It was agreed that Mr. Wm. Banwell should be examined on Friday next, for breaking the statutes of the town by sueing Ansley at the common law for a debt of less than 40*s.*; and that the craft of "bochers" should pay 100*s.* for choosing masters without the mayor's assent, contrary to the act of leet made in the mayoralty of John Bonde.

On Wednesday next :—The mayor and others being present. The craft of Cappers complained "to have peseyd ware disalowyed in ther crafte, and not to bee occupiid;" but their suit was disallowed.

John Jely, "bocher," was chosen master of his craft, and sworn in. It was agreed that the masters should elect a new master of the Tryn[i]te Gylde; and that the presenters concerning the King's subsidy should appear on Wednesday next at 9 o'clock before the commissioners of the city in St. Mary's Hall.

Wednesday after the Conception of Our Lady :—Present, the mayor and others. It was agreed to pay John Smyth, mason, five marks for making the town walls; and collectors for the King's subsidy were chosen.

Wednesday following :—The mayor and others being present. A letter from my lord Cardinal was read, desiring search to be made for persons concerned in the insurrection in the city, moved by one Francis Phyllyppe and others.

New Year's Eve, 15 Hen. VIII. The King's exchequer writ concerning the subsidy was read before the collectors and petty collectors.

Wednesday before St. Paul's Day. It was agreed that Mr. Heynes, capper, should be elected mayor, unless he would be bound in the sum of 200*l.* to the use of the city. —— Kywyn and Thomas Gardenar were elected chamberlains.

1 Feb. 15 Hen. VIII. :—Present, Mr. Julyn Nethermyll, mayor, Ric. Marlar, Ric. Hassall, John Clerke, John Humfrey, John Bonde, Thos. Dodd, Thos. Flavell, John Dudley, Henry Brailleford, Hugh Gregorie, Wm. Osgathorp, Thos. Randle, Thos. Heynes, Humfrey Moseley, Henry Charkle, Thos. Kevet, Robt. Smyth, Wm. Dale, and John Boonley. Braileford and Gregorie, collectors of the rent for the common ground during Thos. White's mayoralty, brought in 11*l.* 9*s.*, besides 12*s.* remaining in the hands of Sponner's wife of Allesley, and 3*s.* 4*d.* unpaid by Robt. Nicolls and Henry Kylbie. The collectors received 6*s.* 8*d.*, and the box now contains 69*l.* 11*s.* 11*d.*

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4 March. R. O.

2. COUNTESS OF SALISBURY.

Bill made 4 March 15 Hen. VIII., witnessing that Rob. Vaughan has received of Margaret countess of Salisbury 14*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, in part payment of 40 marks bequeathed by Sir Ric. Delabere for the marriage of Sebell, wife of the said Vaughan, the remainder being chargeable on certain lands in Dorston, &c.

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. . March. 3. THOMAS LORD DACRE to the ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S, YORK.

Sends two servants, named Humphrey Pharlem and Thomas Talentyre, for the 2,000*l.* which Wolsey writes that he has sent down. Begs that more be delivered if it be in his keeping, as 2,000*l.* will not pay the garrisons what is owing, and retain the garrison now to be laid for more than a month. If any of your money be in pence, it will do no service here . . . . . March. *Signed.*

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23 March. 4. [The EMPEROR'S PROPOSITIONS.†]

R. O. If the king of England will not contribute to the army in Italy, but would prefer to make an expedition on this side, at Boulogne or elsewhere, the Emperor will be content that he should raise an army, and employ it this spring on whatever enterprise he thinks best. The Emperor will not be bound to contribute to this, but will give the King every facility for enlisting men into the Low Countries. The Emperor promises to use all his efforts to make Bourbon stay with the army in Italy and enter France, with the aid of the complement of the 200,000 cr., and that with which his Majesty will furnish him besides; by which means the enemy may be brought to reason. The Duke must be favored and protected as both princes have promised. The Emperor will do all he can from the side of Spain, without binding himself to any particular course, for he means to promise nothing but what he is certain of accomplishing.

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5. CLEMENT VII. to WOLSEY.

R. O. The bishop of Bath has requested him to confer the office of collector upon Peter Vannes. Would have been glad to comply, but for very pity cannot deprive the present holder of his only means of support, especially now when he has just been released from prison, and has suffered so much on the Pope's account. Rome, (no date). *Signed by Sadolet.*

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28 April. 6. LORDS LATIMER and CONYERS to HENRY VIII.

Vesp. F. XIII. 110. B. M. Received on the 27th April the King's letters to them and other commissioners of the North and West Ridings;—caused them to be proclaimed at Ripon on the 28th. Would that the people were content to hear them without murmur. Will see that they are proclaimed everywhere. Whenever the Commissioners meet, the people assemble against them, and will not listen to reason. When the spiritual officers appointed a meeting at Bedall, in Richmondshire, on the 27th, the commons, supposing that the Commissioners would meet there for the subsidy, assembled for their destruction, and would not disperse till they knew that the Commissioners were not coming. Snape, 28 April. *Signed:* Rychard Latymer—William Conyers.

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7. DEPOSITIONS.

R. O. "* * * to their company . . . . the . . . . . take a ship . . . . . they might get, and

† It is probable that these propositions were brought by Jerningham on his return to England. See Contarini's letter of the 21 April 1524, in Mr. Brown's Venetian Calendar. Jerningham left on the Wednesday in Passion Week, which was the 23d March. See ibid., under 1 April. The secret letters of Charles in this volume, Nos. 175 and 176, probably refer to these proposals. No doubt this change was brought about by the successes of Bourbon during the interval.

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to sail for [the Nor]th Sea westward, and to robbe and take all that they might take, and so to pass towards Wales or Ireland." He also says that one Melch, of Winchelsea, went with them, and that Christr. Hall promised to bring others, "to go with them about the same deed."

The confession of John Luce, of the date and place *aforesaid*, before the *said* mayor and others. The said John Blake, the leader, Wm. Wylis, John Melser, John Wynter, and another, and Roger Skevyll of Winchelsea, Chr. Hall, and Davy ———†, condescended before him on 7 March last, to obtain men to join them, in order to take a Bretagne ship, lying at Cambour Point, in the liberties of Winchelsea, and with it to put to sea to capture others.

* * * "The said . . . . . thereof, notwithstanding that he was accused [by the said] John Luce."

The confession of John Melser, on the above date, &c. "He never knew nor heard thereof."

The confession of Stephen Olyver of Tenterden, on 14 April, in the said year, before Sir Wm. Fynche and Th. Asshebournam. On Shrove Sunday last he was desired by Davy and Wynter to take the above ship; all the above persons, with Roger Lighterman, John Hemon, John Gylis, and Wm. Tomsett, were to assist them. Wynter told him that John Cutterd was to be one of them; and Olyver himself asked Thomas Lewys and Robt. Hunt, servants to Sir Wm. Fynche, but they refused.

* * * "Winchelsea . . . . . fair hayn [haven ?], lying at the . . . . . could serve well . . . . . the Walshe seas, but he saith th[at the]y never instanted him to go with them about any such deed, nor no other person."

The confession of Wm. Tomsett, on the said date, before Thomas Asshebournham and Walter Hendley. In Lent last, Wynter and Olyver called him out of the vicarage of Farlegh as he was at work, and asked him to join "a dosyn good felows," who were about to take a French ship lying in the Puddyll, and then sell it. "Old John Blake of Winchelsea" was to be their master. Tomsett refused to join them. They made their purpose known to the vicar of Farlegh, and one Mortymer; the latter refused like Tomsett.

* * * "came * * he were one of their co[mpany]; and then [the said ?] Thom[as a]xed him wherein; and he said to him again, 'Did Davy never speak to thee in no matter?' And then the said Thomas Yelley said, 'No, he never spake to me.' And so they departed, &c."

Pp. 4; *tops of pages lost. Add.:* "My lord Cardinal's grace."

8. THOS. LORD DACRE to the LORDS [OF THE COUNCIL].

R. O. Has laid his servants in the following places, till he knows their pleasure:—At Newcastle, Rob. Rybton to lie at Thos. Horsley's house, mayor of Newcastle, to go upwards to Sisson house in Wetherby; to Durham, 12 miles; Darlington, 16; Boroughbridge, 22; Wetherby, 8; total, 58 miles. At Wetherby, Th. Logan to lie at Sisson house; to go upwards to Hall's house, Newark, and downwards to Horsley's house, Newcastle; to Aberfurth, 5 miles; Doncaster, 17 miles; Tukesfurth, 18 miles; Newark, 10 miles; total, 50 miles. At Newark, Wm. Hardknes to lie at Hall's house, and to go upwards to Dr. Hall's house, Huntyngton, and downwards to Sisson house; to Grantham, 10 miles; Stamford, 16 miles; Huntingdon, 21 miles; total, 47 miles. At Huntingdon, Giflot Gilpin to lie at Dr. Hall's house; to go to London upwards, and downwards to Hall's

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house, Newark; to Rosten, 16 miles; Ware, 13 miles; London, 20 miles; total, 49 miles. *Signed.*
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22 June. **9.** THOMAS DUKE OF NORFOLK.

Weever, Fun.Mon.834. His epitaph, giving a very full account of his career. For an account of his funeral on the 22d June 1524, see Martin's Thetford, App., p. 38.

29 Aug. **10.** CHRISTIERN KING OF DENMARK.

Hatfield MS. Account of a diet held at Hamburgh by the ambassadors of Charles V., the king of England, the archduke Ferdinand of Holstein and Lubeck, for the restoration of Christiern, commencing on the 21st April 1524, and ending on the 29th August same year.
Pp. 13. *Endd., apparently in Tunstal's hand:* Denmark.

21 Sept. **11.** DUKE OF SUFFOLK to WOLSEY.

R. O. In behalf of Ric. Kyffyn, clk., "my scholar," presented to the benefice of Corwen, North Wales, by Wolsey's servant, William Bulla, now deceased, who had the advowson from the bishop of St. Asaph. The Bishop, knowing that Bulla was dead, refused to admit till he knew Wolsey's pleasure. Donyngton, 21 Sept. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Add.:* To my very good lord, the Lord Cardinal.

25 Sept. **12.** DUKE OF SUFFOLK to WOLSEY.

R. O. Ellis, 3 Ser. II. 55. The bearer, deputy for the coasts of Norfolk, Suffolk, and other counties, has brought him a petition from the people about the scarcity of Newcastle coals. Asks Wolsey to see to it. Henham Hall, 25 Sept. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Cardinal's grace.

13. THE NAVY.

Cal. E. II. 199. B. M. "Sensuyt la depense quil conviendra faire par chacun quartier pour larmee [de] mer, tant de ce qui est au port de Marseille presentement, que de celle qui doit venir de Bretaigne."

La Grande Maitresse, for the quarter, 9,000 livres. *La Brave*, 4,200*l.* The great galleon of Frere Bernardin, 4,200*l.* The two galleons of Servian, 6,000*l.* The barque of count Peter Navarre, 4,800*l.* La Tremoille (*in margin*, [e]lle nest pour . . . . present). *Le Jehan Fleury*, ———. The two barques of St. Blancart, 7,200*l.* The carrack of Dorye, which the King has bought, 12,000*l.* When the *Tremoille* and *Fleury* are repaired, which will be in a month or six weeks, each will cost 1,200 cr. a month. 14,400*l.*

Instead of these ships there will be found at Marseilles, ready to serve, [ships] which will amount to 61,800*l.*

Expence of the navy of Bretagne. *La Bonaventure*, 3,825*l.* *Le Jaques*, 4,600*l.* Three galleons, 5,800*l.* Double pays for these vessels, 1,620*l.* Wages of 400 men for the said ships, at 66 sous a month, 4,200*l.*

For the quarter, 19,275*l.*, not counting repairs, powder, &c., nor the wages of 16 galleys.

Total expence for Provence and Bretagne, 81,075*l.*
Fr., pp. 2, *slightly mutilated.*

14 Oct. **14.** H. LATIMER to DR. GREENE.

Latimer's Remains, 467. Last night, on arriving at Kimbolton on his way to his own country (Leicestershire), learned from Thorpe (*ex M. Thorpo*), and others, that

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H. LATIMER to DR. GREENE—*cont.*

nothing would more gratify Mr. Wingfield (Sir Richard) than to succeed to Lovel's place among us; not that so small a salary could be an object to so affluent and honorable a man, but simply from his regard for literary men. So earnest is he on the subject, that More, to whom we stood long ago pledged, has been prevailed upon, though only, it is said, by the King's intercession, to give way to him. He wins the goodwill of everybody by his urbanity and kindness. Greene will, therefore, see to it; the interests of the university depend upon him. Who has more influence with the King than Wingfield? Hopes he is not officious in thus writing. Wrote late at night after equinoctial rains, and well nigh knocked up with the heat of the sun and feasting.

Kimbolton, postridie Edvardi.

Lat. Add.: Reverendo Doctori Greene, Gymnasiarchæ.

20 Dec. Add. MS. 28,173. B. M.

15. DE PRAET to the VICEROY OF NAPLES.

Received yesterday his letters, dated 4th instant. Has written several times, and sent copies of his letters to the Emperor, by which the Viceroy will see the state of affairs, and that the Legate desires a truce. Sees no way of getting money here, except that the English ambassador at Rome has secret orders to deliver the 50,000 cr. if necessary. Advises him to try and get it.

Peace or truce must soon be resolved upon, or preparations made to finish the war. Much complaint is made here of the great sums spent without profit. The Emperor now owes 500,000 cr., and they perceive that it will not be paid during the war, and they have some understanding with the French king, that if he recovers the duchy of Milan, he will pay the indemnity. Cannot positively assert this, but has strong suspicions. Yesterday Scotch ambassadors arrived, and were well received.

As to the Pope's overtures for truce and a defensive league, it seems strange that his Holiness should wish the Emperor to put into his hands what he holds in Italy if the French king does not do the like.

The Imperialists are stronger in the field, and hold the chief places in the duchy of Milan, but he fears that the enemy know their want of money. Unless the Viceroy can get money, it would be better to save something by a truce. London, 20 Dec. 1524.

Fr., pp. 7, modern copy.

16. THOMAS ILDERTON, of London, to SIR JOHN DAUNCE and JOHN HAYLES, General Surveyors of Crown Lands.

R. O.

Being appointed to assist John Heron, one of the commissioners for victualling the King's army, he received at Sandwich, by command of the Council, 639 qrs. of wheat from Antony Vivalde, merchant, of Jeine, which Heron afterwards sold to the bakers of London for 12*s.* the quarter, being in all 383*l.* 8*s.* The money was received by Nic. Bolles, Heron's clerk, in his office. Vivalde says he sold the wheat for more than 360*l.*, but has never received more than 300*l.*, and now claims the residue. Advises that Vivalde and Bolles may be examined, and his own bills of receipt for the wheat in Vivalde's possession cancelled, as, if anything be due, it should be paid by Heron's executors.

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17. ALDBOROUGH, SUFFOLK.

R. O.

Memorandum of a recognizance of Thos. Freman, mariner, and other inhabitants of Alborugh, Suffolk, to produce proofs before 31 Oct. that they

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are exempt from tolls, &c. in London, by reason of the liberties granted by the King and his progenitors to the bishop of Ely, within which liberties they are situate.

Draft in Cromwell's hand, p. 1.

ii. Memorandum of a recognizance by Ric. Averell and Ralph Bromley, fishmongers, for the production of charters exempting the inhabitants of Alborugh from bayliage at Billingsgate before 24 Aug.

Draft, p. 1. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Petition of John Clubberd, Robt. Dobbys, John Weyman, Thos. Okeley, Thos. Freman, and the other inhabitants of Aldburgh, Suffolk.

Being ancient demesne, and within the liberties of St. Awdry, pertaining to the prior of Ely, they have enjoyed liberty of trading without customs in any part of England; but at Newcastle, whither they have gone till lately for seacoal, Thos. Horseley, then mayor, and Robt. Brendelen, then sheriff,* have charged them 12*d.* for the first shovel-full of ballast they discharged, and 3*d.* for every succeeding ton; 20*d.* for the conduct of their ships and boats; 2*d.* for every chalder of coals they bought, and 1*d.* a chalder for the imposition thereof; 12*d.* a chalder for grindstones; 12*d.* for other merchandise; and tolls for any goods they brought with them. The town is poor, and grievously impoverished by these exactions. Have 20 ships and 100 mariners ready to serve the King, and have rescued as many as 20 sail pursued by French and Scots. The beach is very suitable for an army to land, if it were not defended by the town.

ii. Answer of Robt. Brandelyng and Harry Anderson, in the name of Thos. Horseley, mayor, and the burgesses of Newcastle.

The matter of complaint could be pursued at common law, and proceeds from malice. Do not know that Aldeburgh is ancient demesne. Newcastle has always been the King's chief port and safeguard, and the following tolls have always been paid: For every ship or boat not free, 20*d.*; for every ship discharging ballast at the quay called the Ballast Shore, 12*d.*; for ballast discharged, 3*d.* a ton; for coals bought, 2*d.* a chalder, and grindstones, 3*d.*; for every ship let to freight or hire, 12*d.* These tolls the mayor and burgesses, and the burgesses before there was a mayor, have farmed from the King for 100*l.* a year; and they are their only revenue for paying the said farm, and for repairing the walls and pavements, the bridge over the main river and haven, and the ballast shore, which is of timber, 18 score feet in length, and costs 40 marks a year; the total costs being about 300*l.* a year, beside many other charges. If the customs are interrupted, the King will lose 600*l.* a year, beside the rent of 100*l.*, and by the decay of the port the north parts will lose a great safeguard. The inhabitants of Aldeburgh have always paid these tolls without grudging till lately, and they have made this surmised complaint from malice, unless there is any record in the book of Domysday that the town is ancient demesne, or such privileges have been given to the prior and his tenants, &c.

Pp. 9, *draft. Add.*

R. O. **18.** Wm. Lelegrave, Ric. Candyshe, John Eston, Hugh Boyvyle, and Peter Filius.

Draft commission as searchers of ore, as set out more fully on page 125.

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* Thos. Horsley was mayor, and Rob. Brandling sheriff of Newcastle in 1524. See Mackenzie's Hist. of Newcastle, ii. 614.

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19. CUSTOMS.

R. O. Fragment of a privy seal licensing Thos. Combbis [to export or import goods], provided he does not make use of it for the goods of foreigners, thereby defrauding the customs. It commences by reciting Act for payment of custom, 15 Hen. VIII.
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Feb. **20.** JUSTIFICATION DES ANGLOYS.
Add. MS. 28,173. B. M. Instructions to the ambassadors with the Pope, to explain the seizure of De Praet's letters, and the complaints against him.
Fr., pp. 35. *See Gayangos' Calendar, p.* 65.

[12 Feb.] **21.** CHARLES V. to DE PRAET.
Ibid. *Fr., pp.* 3. *Gayangos, p.* 45.

3 March. **22.** ABBEY OF GLASTONBURY.
Hearne's Adam de Domerham, xcvii. Election of Richard Whiting as abbot of Glastonbury, 3 March 1524, in the chapel of York Place, by Wolsey, to whom the forty-seven monks had unanimously agreed to delegate their right of choosing.

9 March. **23.** ADOLF DE BOURGOGNE, [LORD OF BEURES,] LAURENS, and LA SAUCH to MARGARET OF SAVOY.
Add. MS. 28,173. B. M. London, Thursday, 9 March.
Fr., modern copy, pp. 20. *Gayangos, p.* 75.

10 March. **24.** ADOLPHE DE BOURGOGNE, [LORD OF BEURES,] J. LAURENS, and LA SAUCH to MARGARET OF SAVOY.
Ibid. London, Friday, 10 March, 11 p.m.
Fr., modern copy, pp. 6. *Gayangos, p.* 86.

16 March. **25.** ADOLF DE BOURGOGNE, [LORD OF BEURES,] LAURENS, and LA SAUCH to MARGARET OF SAVOY.
Ibid. London, 16 March 1525.
Fr., modern copy, pp. 7. *Gayangos, p.* 91.

24 March. **26.** ADOLF DE BOURGOGNE, [LORD OF BEURES,] and LA SAUCH to MARGARET OF SAVOY.
Ibid. London, 24 March.
Fr., modern copy, pp. 7. *Gayangos, p.* 93.

25 March. **27.** [LORD OF BEURES and LA SAUCH] to CHARLES V.
Ibid. London, 25 March.
Fr., modern copy, pp. 2. *Gayangos, p.* 98.

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25 March. Add. MS. 28,173. B. M.

28. DE PRAET to CHARLES V.

Pp. 10. *Gayangos, p.* 95.

31 March. Ibid.

29. ADOLF DE BOURGOGNE, [LORD OF BEURES,] LAURENS, and LA SAUCH to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

P.S., dated London, 31 March.*

Fr., modern copy, pp. 14. *Gayangos, p.* 108.

31 March. Ibid.

30. LA SAUCH to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

Has received her letter bidding him remain after the departure of Beures and the President, until the Emperor sends some one else. As matters have turned out differently to what they expected, as she will see by their letters, he does not feel capable of staying here, for the reasons he has written to Hochstrate, and begs her to send another in his place. London, 31 March.

Fr., modern copy, pp. 2.

31. WOLSEY to [HUGH] ASHTON.†

Cott. App. XLVIII. 4. B. M.

Has received his letters, and those of his chamberlain and controller. Thanks him for his diligence. Will consult with his counsel for "a substantial office" to be devised and sent to him. Approves of his having levied fines on those who denied payment of rents. Authorises him to do the same with Sir John Evyryngham. Sends a privy seal if he refuses, and commands him to seize his copyholds. Will be sorry by his resistance to carry matters to extremity. Westminster.

Draft, in Wolsey's own hand; mutilated, p. 1.

2 April. Add. MS. 28,173. B. M.

32. BEURES, LAURENS, and LA SAUCH to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

The President went today to the Cardinal to declare the contents of her letters and Silly's instructions. Said he supposed Wolsey knew of the articles given to the Emperor by the English ambassador, and his reply. He then commenced to talk of those who had been the causes of the disagreement. But the President did not wish to enter into this, and made no answer, but proceeded to speak of the proposals for peace made by the duke of Savoy. He said he was glad they saw it was not he, but others, who wished to treat with France. Replied that the proposal did not emanate from the Emperor, nor any one about him, but from the French king, as one could see from its being so advantageous to him. Showed him the contents of the Pope's letters; with which he was contented. Said that the Emperor did not wish to show any discontent with the Pope, and that he intended to send some light horse and artillery to join the 4,000 Germans and 300 men-at-arms, and to attack Narbonne, and that the Emperor desired the King to invade France where he thought best. He said he knew that the instruction contained also that Madame was to furnish 3,000 horse and 3,000 foot, for the King to lead where he pleased. Replied that there was no such clause, and, as he persisted, swore that he had not seen it. The Cardinal said that in that case they told the English ambassadors one thing, and wrote another.

* This P.S. in Gayangos appears as a separate letter, p. 113.

† This may, perhaps, belong to the year 1525. See No. 1218.

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He again said that Madame must do it, for both the King and the Emperor were going to attack in person, and the treaties contained it,—offering to show them to him. Replied that there was no need, for that he knew their contents, and there was nothing about furnishing any number of men, and that the number demanded was impossible. Returning to what was said the day before about Picardy, he said that the King did not wish to invade Picardy, as the towns were too strong, and that if Madame did not assist she would lose the love of the English. Replied as before, that he could have enough horse and foot for his money. He said that Madame must make an effort; that the Emperor would gain Burgundy, Languedoc, and Provence; and that he knew the means to make him Emperor, not on paper, but really with power over Italy, and holding his court at Rome. Replied that he did not think the Emperor aspired to such a monarchy, but would be content to recover his own. He then desired the President to return on the following day at 3 p.m. London, Saturday, 1 April.

Today the President found the Scotch ambassadors with the Cardinal, who said that they would leave tomorrow or the day after, without any result; that he had done a great service to the Emperor, for the Scotch had asked for the Princess in marriage for their King, then for a perpetual peace, comprehending the French king, and, finally, for a truce until St. Andrew's Day; all which he had refused, and war therefore continues. Told him he wondered at the refusal of the truce, but he said that war was better. He repeated the services of the King to the Emperor, and requested the 6,000 men. Said it was impossible; that the people would not grant money to pay them. He said that the King was determined to invade; and that if they would do nothing for him, he would do nothing for them. Replied that they would do what they could, but that this was impossible. He then proposed capitulating in general, saying that when the Emperor's captain-general was with the Emperor, they could agree to march wherever was best. Said that could not be, for then the captain-general would be obliged to go to Normandy to meet the King. He said the King would land at Calais, where the captain could meet him; and that their artillery being at Valenciennes it was better to decide then than sooner, that the enemy might know nothing of it. London, Sunday, 2 April.*

Fr., modern copy, pp. 10.

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33. RALPH EARL OF WESTMORELAND to WOLSEY.

Received on the 1st April his letter, stating that the Earl had made a grant to certain persons of the advowson of the church of Brauncepath to the use of one of Wolsey's chaplains, and requesting him to have the church bound for the assurance of a pension to the present incumbent on his resigning the benefice to the said chaplain. This grant was made by the Earl at lord Burgevenny's request, not recollecting that he had previously granted the same to a chaplain of his own for long service during the Earl's youth, for which he had not otherwise rewarded him. Wolsey's chaplain holds another benefice in the Earl's gift, worth 20*l.* a year. Nevertheless, will act as Wolsey thinks fit. Brauncepath, 3 April. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Cardinal's grace. *Endd.*

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34. The "AMICABLE GRANT."

Instructions to the archbishop of Canterbury, for practising an amicable and loving grant with the spiritual persons and clergy of the

* This letter appears in Mr. Gayangos's Calendar, p. 116, but without the postscript.

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diocese of Canterbury, for the conservation of the honor of the realm, and the recovery of the realm and crown of France, with other dominions rightfully appertaining to the King.

The King's subjects know that he has been obliged to join the Emperor, Bourbon, and other princes, for the repressing of the French king's ambition. Their joint army has invaded Provence, and returned to Italy to resist the French king's invasion, where it has remained all the winter, and finally defeated the King at Pavia. The present occasion of regaining the realm of France could not be honorably passed over. If it were, France would never after respect, pay tribute or pensions to, nor live in peace with, this realm. The people must therefore do all they can for this purpose, upon which depends all the future prosperity and honor of the realm. If it is effectually set forth, it will be the last demand which the King intends to make of his people; but if not, the country can neither prosper in honor nor wealth, but will remain in continual reproach and war, to the destruction of trade. The King therefore intends personally to invade France, which has thus long been unjustly withheld from the crown of England, in the beginning of this summer; and another army will be set upon the sea, the expence of which will be too great for the King to support, unless his subjects will contribute. He has therefore commissioned the archbishop of Canterbury to practise an amicable grant by the spiritual persons of his diocese, including monasteries and other houses of religion, exempt and not exempt, collegiate churches, hospitals, chantries, parish churches, &c. First, the Archbishop shall repair to his diocese, summon before himself or his commissaries spiritual persons of all degrees, except those whose names are contained in the enclosed schedule, declare to them the above preamble, and show them that after long discussion and consultation with the nobles and clergy, it has been decided that the rate for the spiritualty must be the third part of yearly revenues of lands, benefices, salaries, or wages, or the value of moveable goods from 10*l.* upwards, and the fourth part from 10*l.* downwards. Though these sums seem great, they will not amount to as much as the first loan.

To the persons whose names are enclosed, the King has directed letters requesting the advance of certain sums; which letters the Archbishop must deliver, exhorting them to comply with his request. If any of these are not taxed to the third part of their goods, he shall assess them at that rate. It is advisable to circulate the report of the destruction of the French army in Italy, and the capture of the King, the king of Navarre, and the rest of his nobility, and to make solemn processions, fires, and other tokens of joy and comfort, a few days before assembling the clergy, that this consolation may be fresh in their memory. The shortness of time will not allow the trial and examination of the values, and therefore every person will be assessed as he was at the last loan, unless he has been newly promoted, or his salary increased. The Archbishop must take order that some part of the money may be paid at once, and the whole of the rest may be paid to the treasurer of the Chamber by Midsummer next. A certificate of the sums to be paid must be sent to Wolsey as soon as possible. If the French king recompenses the King, or if a profitable peace is made before the voyage is commenced, the King will restore to his subjects as much of the money as he can. *Signed.*

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8 April. Add. MS. 28,173. B. M.

35. Lord Beures, Laurens, and La Sauch to Margaret of Savoy.

London, Saturday, "Veille de Pasques florye," 8 April.

Fr., modern copy, pp. 7. *Gayangos, p.* 121.

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36. DUKE OF NORFOLK to [WOLSEY].

Since writing last, has had no small business to bring the King's commandment to good effect. The commissioners have taken great pains. They sent to the Duke 200 persons whom they could not induce to the grant, and he has so treated them that not one has refused. Does not think there are 20 in the shire from 20*l.* upwards who have not granted. Some have not appeared before the commissioners, being either absent or sick, but he is in no great doubt but that all will consent. Yesterday and tomorrow the people below 20*l.* will be practised. The grant will probably be much more than the loan was. Came hither on Sunday night. Found the mayor and inhabitants so desirous to please the King that no one has refused, except 20 or 24 persons from 20*l.* downwards, who were absent on business, and who, he doubts not, will agree as the others have done on their return. They have shed many salt tears for doubt how to find money to content the King. Advises that a letter of thanks should be sent to them. Lynn and Yarmouth cannot be cessed till Tuesday and Wednesday in Easter week, as the gentlemen appointed thereto are now sitting in other hundreds. However, six or seven of the best of Yarmouth promise that there shall be no default; and Wm. Conysby, Francis Montford, Thos. Thursby, and Thos. Gybon have made a like promise for Lynn. Has told Mr. Townesend to go there. Asks Wolsey to send a special commission for the town according to custom, with the above names, the mayor, "and a glass window to put in five or six more of his brethren." Advises the insertion of his own name, though he may not sit. Wolsey expresses surprise that 24 of the best of the shire should not exceed 14 of the city, above 500*l.* in their values; but he assures him that all in the town and shire are valued according to the books sent by Mr. Wyot and Mr. Dauncey of the first loan. No one is favored a penny. He that paid 20*l.* at the loan has granted 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, which will mount high if all the realm do the same. In the town there are more merchants above 200*l.* than gentlemen above 200 mks. Wolsey writes that it was a great error to allow the grant of Norwich to stand conditionally on other cities making a like grant; but there was no such condition made, but both they and the gentlemen after the grant desired him to intercede with the King, that if the like was not passed in other places, they might not be charged with theirs.

Desires to know the King's pleasure, whether he shall come up before St. George's Day. If he do so, he must start on the Tuesday after Easter Day, when the commissioners will sit for Lynn and Yarmouth, and two hundreds. Will not come till he hears the King's pleasure, although it is very needful for him to be in London to prepare for this great voyage. Norwich, 10 April. *Signed.*

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37. THE LOAN.

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Received by Sir Henry Wiat from the collectors of the loan from the temporalty, from 20*l.* upwards, 105,456*l.* 2*s.* 4½*d.*, and from 20*l.* downwards, 57,472*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.* From noblemen of both classes and other men of substance, 11,160*l.*

Received by Edmund Pekham, from bishops and prelates of the Church, 38,569*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.* From the general clergy, by taxation of the commissioners, 17,682*l.* 15*s.* From divers temporal men, 9,656*l.* 15*s.* From the mayor and inhabitants of London, 14,200*l.*, in addition to 5,800*l.* paid by Pekham to Wiat. From the mayor and fellowship of the staple of Calais, 6,500*l.* Total received by Wiat and Pekham, 260,697*l.* 6*s.* 10½*d.*

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Has been informed, both by his brother's letters and by Wolsey's commissary, Dr. Lee, of Wolsey's intention to promote him. Would gladly have repaired to him, as desired, but for a sickness with which he has been visited, as the bearer, Mr. Crumwell, will inform him. Monastery of St. Benet's, 10 April. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* My lord Cardinal. *Endd.*

21 April. Cleop. F. VI. 350. B. M. **39.** WARHAM to [WOLSEY].

Received his letters on the 17th inst.; and on the 19th, by the treasurer and comptroller of the Household, the King's letters and instructions concerning the amicable grant, which he will execute with all diligence. Letters are already sent to the sheriff of Kent to summon the commissioners to meet at Canterbury on 2 May. Afterwards they will sit at Maidstone, then at Otford, and elsewhere. Postponed the appearance of his clergy till he knows Wolsey's further pleasure how to order them. Hopes to hear from him before 2 May. Sees great difficulty in getting from the commons and spiritualty of Kent the required sums, which they say are "importable." Cannot perceive by their words but that they will be ready to do the best they can, from their love and faith to their Prince, and their respect for the costly journey and high enterprise proposed into France. In all the communication he has had with them, though he has used rough and smooth words, has never heard any one speak except reverently and honorably of the King. Wolsey himself, and others of the King's council, must take patience for a season, though fellows having but little consideration of the substance and necessity of the King's business talk of u[s] at their pleasure otherwise than becomes them. Is right sorry that the people should be so furious and lewd. Is called old fool, behind his back, for consenting to this grant. It is reported, as if in despite, that as he was the first that granted thereto, he will be a great occasion of the inconveniences that will follow therefrom. Some malicious persons say that it would be better for an old fool like him to take his beads in his hand, than to meddle in temporal business pertaining to war and general undoing of this country. But as Christ, who was called by the Jews a seducer, traitor, and worker by the Devil, bore it patiently, his children should do likewise, and not seek vengeance upon every word of displeasure. If God should punish extremely every lewd word and deed, he would, within a little while, leave but few alive. As to Wolsey, it always has been and will be that whoever is in most favor and counsel with a great prince shall be maligned, do he never so well; but whatever be spoken, the fruits which a tree brings forth will prove its goodness.

Would be as sorry to know any ill word spoken or ill deed intended against Wolsey as the dearest friend that he has, and will try and repress anything of the kind. Otford, 21 April. *Signed.*

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29 April. Add. MS. 28,173. B. M. **40.** LAURENS to [MARGARET OF SAVOY].

London,* 29 April.

Fr., modern copy, pp. 2. *Gayangos, p.* 142.

[31 May.] Ibid. **41.** CHARLES V.

Information for John Jouglet, lord of Maretz, councillor, and master of requests of the Emperor's household, sent as ambassador to the king of England.

* In this transcript the date is 19 April, and other gross errors occur.

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CHARLES V.—*cont.*

The alliance between the Emperor and the King, and the contract for marriage between the Emperor and the Princess.

The last capitulation between the Archduchess and the captain of Guisnes and Sir Robert Wingfield, that if the King invades Picardy in the present season, Madame will furnish at the Emperor's expence 3,000 horse and 1,000 foot; and 100 hoys for his passage, 776 cart horses, and 692 carts, for the artillery and baggage and artillery men. She will furnish more soldiers at the King's expence. The King and the Legate have urged Beures and the other ambassadors, and the captain of Guisnes and Wingfield have likewise urged Madame to furnish 3,000 horse and 3,000 foot, but they have excused themselves, and referred to the Emperor. The Emperor, in order to remove all cause of distrust, and to take away from the French any hope of breaking the alliance, has requested the King to deliver the Princess, which he is not bound to do till she is 12 years of age. He intends to employ the dowry and 200,000 ducats in the war. If the King refuses the Princess, the Emperor will ask for the dowry for the above purpose, and 400,000 ducats without deduction. The King has sent a gentleman to explain his intentions to the ambassadors with the Emperor. Madame desires the King to secure the herring fishery to the French and Scotch, if they will do the like for the Emperor's subjects. As to the valuation of money, if the King will send a commission to Wingfield, she will do what she can. De Maretz has a letter of credence to La Sauch, who will return, and also letters of credence to the King and Wolsey. He must receive letters coming from Spain for the ambassadors in England, present letters to the King and Wolsey, visit them as much as he can, find out news, especially whether there is a truce between England and Scotland; and, if so, ask for the King's consent to a truce between Scotland and the Low Countries. He must ask La Sauch for his ciphers, and ask him if there is anything to be done about the prisoners of Artois.

Fr., modern copy, pp. 9.

11 June. Add. MS. 28,173. B. M.

42. LORD BEURES, LA SAUCH, and LAURENS to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

London, 11 June 1525.

Fr., modern copy, pp. 2. *Gayangos, p.* 197.

17 June. Ibid.

43. LA SAUCH to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

London, 17 June.

Fr., modern copy, pp. 4. *Gayangos, p.* 200.

[17 June.] Ibid.

44. MEMORANDUM.

Fr., modern copy, pp. 3. *Gayangos, p.* 201.

24 June. Ibid.

45. LE SAUCH to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

Wishes the Emperor to know that John Joachim is here. Thinks he ought to say to the French ambassadors that as long as the Lady Regent, or those who have the charge of affairs in France, negotiate with others, he will not listen to any treaty. Thinks they would then revoke him, and not send another until they saw how matters were going. He came here a year ago yesterday, and the year has passed only in journeys. His coming has always been prejudicial to the Emperor, who, by the return of the

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commander Pinnalosa, will know well what he has to do; for he will hear from the ambassadors what power will have been sent to them for the person who accompanied Pinnalosa. It is very late for the army in Italy, to which much money is due, and he has no hope of getting a single crown here. They would rather practise to obtain money and make peace. St. John's Day, '24.*

Fr., pp. 3, *modern copy.*

31 July. Galba, B. VII. 88*. B. M.

46. J. JOUGLET and J. DE LA SAUCH to WOLSEY.

Have received by bearer letters from Madame, desiring them to solicit the King that Gregory de Piscaire, a prisoner at Calais for murder, may be delivered to the officers of the empire. Begs to have his despatches for Spain and Flanders, as they wish to send off the courier. London, 31 July.†

Fr., p. 1. *Add.:* Mons. le Legat.

7 Aug. Add. MS. 28,173. B. M.

47. JOUGLET and LE SAUCHE to CHARLES V.

London, 7 Aug. 1525.

Fr., pp. 11, *modern copy. Gayangos, p.* 275.

27 Aug. Ibid.

48. JOUGLET to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

London, 27 Aug.

Fr., pp. 2, *modern copy. Gayangos, p.* 308.

23 Sept. Ibid.

49. JOUGLET to CHARLES V.

London, 23 Sept. 1525.

Fr., pp. 8, *modern copy. Gayangos, p.* 343.

9 Oct. Ibid.

50. JOUGLET to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

London, 9 Oct. 1525.

Fr., pp. 3, *modern copy. Gayangos, p.* 360.

2. Another copy in Add. MS. 28,574, f. 391, among Bergenroth's transcripts.

16 Oct. Ibid.

51. JOUGLET to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

London, 16 Oct. [1525].

Fr., pp. 3, *modern copy. Gayangos, p.* 366.

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52. SIR THOMAS LUCY.

Will of Sir Thomas Lucy, dated 17 Nov. 15 Hen. VIII.

To be buried where it shall please God. 20*l.* to be disposed for the weal of his soul, of which 66*s.* 8*d.* is given to the Grey Friars at Bridgenorth, "whereof I am founder," the rest at the discretion of his executors. Manors left under trust to the use of his wife Elizabeth. His executors, after the death of his uncle Humphrey Lucy, to receive the issues of his said uncle's lands to perform his will. Provision for his daughters Radegand and Barbara, and for his sons Edmund and Thomas, &c.

Corrected draft. A paper roll.

* So in transcript. † The date of this letter is very uncertain.

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53. SIR THOS. LUCY.

R. O. * * * *

Funeral expences of Sir Thomas Lucy, paid by the said lady Elizabeth; viz., for black cloth, bread, beer, torches, tapers, and for making a litter to carry his body, also for alms to the poor, 135*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.*

Allowances of rent in Hikford, &c. Payment of debts to Sir Henry Wyatt and others. Repayment of monies to Richard Catesby. Fees to officers. Tithes, &c. for Lucy's sons and daughters, and other payments. Total of allowances, 1,149*l.* 10*s.* 3*d.*, which exceeds the whole charge by 689*l.* 11*s.* 10¾*d.*

A roll of paper.

24 Sept. **54.** JOHN BISHOP OF LINCOLN to WOLSEY.

R. O. Hears by Wolsey's servant that he wishes him to come to him. Was forced by sickness to leave his house at Woburn, and came hither last Wednesday, having sent away almost all his servants and horses. Will, however, come, if Wolsey wishes. Sends back his own servant with Wolsey's to know his pleasure. Holborn, 24 Sept. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Cardinal's grace. *Endd.*

30 Oct. **55.** FRENCH PAYMENTS.

Cal. E. II. 198. B. M. " * * * * . . . knight for Anthony [Cavallary].†

" Where as there was concluded a bargain for payment [of] 2,000 marks a year by the sum of . . . . . were . . . ed . . . the year afore the last payment thereof to . . . . . payment the sum of 10,000*l.*: Now, because the Frenchmen knew of the advance . . . . . 86,000*l.* and odd money, that is to say, 86,000*l.* [and] odd money for the King's debt, with the new advance . . . . . of 6,000*l.* and odd money, and 10,000*l.* that the King shall have for a pleasure.

" The said 86,000*l.* and odd money to be paid in 65 ye[ars] after the rate of 7,000 crowns of the sun by year . . . . . payment to begin vij° die Decembris anno Dom. . . . . to ende anno Dom. 1590.

" Which 7,000 crowns of the sun yearly, after the rat[e of] 4*s.* 2*d.* sterl., 1*d.* Flemish the crown, amount[eth yearly] in sterl. money unto the sum of 1,477*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.* And so in 65 years the King shall have yearly the sum of 144*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.* towards the payment of the 6,000*l.* [in] money newly now to be advanced, and of the 10,000*l.* for a pleasure, which by the former bargain should have been paid, nor no penny thereof till the year aft[er the] last payment of all the foresaid sum of 80,000*l.*"

In a different hand:—" Summa of the number of crowns of the soleill for 65 years at 7,000 crowns yearly, cccc . . . . crowns. Summa of the sterling money coming out of the 7,000 crowns yearly, during 65 years, at 4*s.* 2*d.* and 1*d.* Flemish, every piece, 86,000*l.* . . . . . years' payment of 7,[000] crowns yearly at 4*s.* 2*d.* and 1*d.* Flemish the piece, making in sterl. money in the foresaid five years 7,38[8*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.*]" Amount in 65 years 455,000 crowns, or 96,[055*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*]

Pp. 2, *mutilated, and partly faded.*

6 Nov. **56.** ROBERTET to the FRENCH AMBASSADORS.

[Cal. E. I. II. ? 78.] B. M. (*Concluding leaf only.*)

. . . " Messire le chancellier d'Allencon et . . . . . datee a Tournon, le vj. jour de Nov[embre . . .] Robertet."

Endd.: " Copia literarum ad oratores Franciæ."

† See Nos. 1604, 1729.

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29 Nov. **57.** CROMWELL to ELIZABETH HIS WIFE.*

Ellis, 2 Ser. II. 125.

Sends by the bearer a fat doe, one half of which she is to deliver to his "gossip," Mrs. Smyth. Wishes Richard Swifte to come to him to Begham or Tonbridge, if he has returned. Begham, 29 Nov.

Wishes to know who has come to her to speak with him since he left.

Add.: To my well beloved wyf Elyzabeth Crumwell, agenst the Freyers Augustines in London.

58. SIR RIC. WESTON, Knight of the Body.

S. B.

To be treasurer of the town and marches of Calais, surrendered by Sir Wm. Sandes. *Signed by Wolsey.*

59. ENGLAND and FRANCE.

R. T. 137. R. O.

Memorandum of pressing matters connected with the treaty between the Regent of France and Henry VIII.

The power of the obligations, the minute of which has been sent by lord De Berigny. The amendment of the principal power, of the same date as the first, according to the minute made by don Andre, and sent together with the copy of the power delivered to the Admiral and the other ambassadors of the last treaty, and a duplicate of the power which we have taken. Letters patent of the ratification and the publication of the truce. The ratification must be made within the fortnight following the 14th of this month, the date of the capitulation of the treaties, and must be delivered before the 20th. To hasten the ratification by those princes, lords, and towns, in whose copies the day is left blank, the year only being stated.

The power will be sent for the consent of the Dowager Queen Mary, and the duke of Suffolk, touching the Queen's dowry.

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60. ——— to ———.†

R. O.

Many persons come to your Lordship with groundless reports, but you must not believe them.

Has found no one to send more faithful and secret than the bearer, Fras. Mossurus. Asks him to have the bulls and letters finished by Mossurus, that those here may be ready. Is to give Mossurus letters stating the month and day when the ships will be at Scapanto.

Lat., p. 1. *In Vannes' hand.*

61. THOS. WYNTER, Clerk.

S. B.

Presentation to the parish church of Wynwyke, Cov. and Lich. dioc., *vice* Thos. Larke, resigned, in the King's presentation by the minority of Edw. earl of Derby.

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* This document is not found in R.O. † See No. 2270.

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15 Jan. **62.** The PARLIAMENT OF SCOTLAND.

Acts of Parl. of Sc. II. 299. Edinburgh, 15 Jan. 1525. * * *

14 March. All past Acts touching the King's person to remain in force till the next Parliament on the 12th June.

Jan. **63.** The ROYAL HOUSEHOLD.

Vesp. C. XIV. 212. B. M. "A breefe of the Statutes of Eltham for the government of the Kinges howseholde." (See No. 1939.)

Latin, copy, pp. 48.

At the end a warrant, dated 10 June 18 Hen.VIII., to Nich. Hurleton and Edm. Peckham, clerks of the Green Cloth, and Edw. Weldon, clk. comptroller, for supplying livery coats to the yeomen of the Guard, &c.

64. The PRIVY CHAMBER.

Vesp. C. XIV. 249–51, 253–6. B. M. Ordinances devised by the King and Council concerning the Privy Chamber, as at page 863 *antè*.

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Ib. 257. 2. Another copy, with some differences.

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4 Feb. **65.** The ROYAL HOUSEHOLD.

Antiquarian Repertory, II. 184. "The book of Henry earl of Arundel, lord chamberlain to king Henry VIII., and copy of a book signed by his Majesty, and delivered to the earl of Worcester, sometime lord chamberlain to his Highness."

Articles made by Henry VIII. with the advice of his Council, 4 Feb. 17 Hen.VIII., specifying the duties of knights and squires for the Body; gentlemen ushers; yeomen ushers; sewers of the chamber; yeomen of the Crown, of the guard, and of the chamber; groom porters; grooms of the chamber; pages of the chamber; the old order for making the King's bed; two forms of oath to be taken by the King's servants.

66. The KING'S CHAMBERLAIN.

Vesp. C. XIV. 265. B. M. As the earl of Worcester is too old to do the duties of chamberlain, lord Sandes shall in his absence bear a white staff within the court, and have the same allowances as the Earl would have if present. *Signed by the King at the top, and by Worcester and Sands below.*

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5 Feb. **67.** The KING'S COUNCIL.

R. O. "An order taken for the division of such matters as shall be treated by the King's council."

For matter in law:—My lord of London. My lords of Essex, Exeter, Fitzwater, Dacres of Gillesland, Mountjoy, and Westmoreland. The Master of the Rolls. My lord Fyneux, and the other judges. Sir Thos. Nevill, Sir Thos. More, Sir Robt. Drurie, Sir And. Windesore, Sir Hen. Wyatt, Sir Ric. Weston, Sir John Husye, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam the elder, Sir John

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Dauncye, Sir Roger Townesend, Sir Wm. Walgrave, Sir John Mordant, Sir Wm. Gascoigne, Sir Wm. Essex, Dr. Dolman, Mr. Wm. Pallett, Mr. Hale of the Exchequer, and the other barons. The King's sergeants and attorney, Mr. Humfrey Wingfield, —— Wiggeston.

P. 1. *Headed:* v^to^ Februarii.

68. For Sir John Mordaunt and Roger Wiggyston.†

R. O. To be surveyors of woods in all Crown lands, during pleasure; with certain powers, regulations, &c.

Draft, large paper, pp. 12. *Parts of some of the pages have been cut off. Endd.*

R. O. 2. Copy of the above, with some alterations.

Pp. 7, *large paper. First page mutilated, and the rest partly defaced.*

69. Charles V.

Camb. MS. 1044. A memorial of debts due by the Emperor to Henry VIII.

1. By a writing obligatory of the king of Castile, 40,000 nobles = 100,000 fl. and more. 2. By another bond of the same, for the wars of Fendelowe, 35,000 fl. 3. By a bond of the Emperor, 150,000 cr., at 4*s.* 4*d.* per cr. 4. Obligation of the indemnity, of which a copy is sent. 5. Money lent upon the flower de luce is not reckoned here. 6. The ambassadors are sufficiently instructed by former letters how to proceed in this indemnity to the King's interests without being extreme, as already mentioned.

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ii. A minute, apparently of a speech made by Lee to the Emperor touching the above, and insisting that as the Emperor now abounded in money by his marriage with the princess of Portugal, he had no excuse for not paying the King, who had waited so long a time.

Lat., pp. 2.

2 April. **70.** G. Salamanca to Margaret of Savoy.

Add. MS. 28,173. B. M. Has received her letters of 28 Feb., and has written to the King his master (Ferdinand) about Madame de Longepierre.

Has been to the King at Hampton Court. He promises, in case of peace between Christian princes, to assist Ferdinand against the Turks, and, even if there is not peace, he will do something for him. He intends to send him ambassadors. London, 2 April 1526.

Fr., modern copy, pp. 3.

71. Holy League.

Cal. D. x. 8. B. M. * * * "as mytygation and exchange . . . . . of the . . . . . accordyd for hys redemption . . . . . resonable conditions at the [mediation of the Kyng's] hyghnes.

"First, there be four things principally [to be] foreseen; the one and chief is that th[emperor aspires to] the monagie of Italy, which had, he should . . . . . mind that he should thereby facilely contempte all other [powers], and set forth things to the hinderance, danger, [and dishonor of] all such princes as hath not, according to his [desire, joined] with him for the attaining of the said monarchy.

"The second thing is, that the Pope, the states of [Italy, and the] French king, which now, for the withstanding of the [Emperor, have come] to the

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King's highness for counsel, offering them[selves to be] ordered and directed by the same, be not defrauded [of their] expectation, whereby they, discouraged, might f . . . . . deeply with the Emperor.

"The third thing is, that the good amity and inte[lligence being] renuyd between the King's highness and . . . . . might by showing of mutual kindness in . . . . . and more in such wise that neither by . . . . . offers and promise the French king do . . . . . amity and adhere to the * * * the treaty com . . . . . minish a great part of . . . . . [*French king's*†] hostages, so that th . . . . . ryge (?) and given him the aid . . . . . to Italy and conjoining (?) . . . . . yet, that notwithstanding, the French shall m . . . . . that behalf, for the which purpose . . . . . cannot be devised.

". . . . . for the eschewing and avoiding of the sey[d inconveniences] that a mutual band be made between the [King's highness] and the said French [king] that neither of them sh[ould treat any]thing with the Emperor but by common consent t . . . . . the prejudice of either of them, and th[at the king of the Fren]che shall nothing do concerning the performing . . . . . [of t]he said treaty, but by the King's knowledge and ex[press consent]; at which band made the said two Princes may [then con]fidently and overtly proceed, the one with the other, [without jealou]sy or mistrust. And so, consequently, there m . . . . . [de]vysys concerning that straiter conjunction and per . . . . . thought so good for a perpetual peace op . . . . . [reco]mpense to be made to the king's Grace, his heirs [and succe]ssors for ever, with a secret interview without ceremo[ny] . . . . . between the said Princes.

". . . . . s things shall chance to be in communication . . . . . cion and celerity it shall be . . . [n]ecess[ary] . . . . . * * * * . . . . . thereby the Emperor may be [let and hindered] in his enterprises and do . . . . . [r]efusal of reasonable things off[ered by the king's Hig]hness as a common friend, he may . . . . . confederates of the same, which . . . . . danger and peril. And by these [devices it is] . . . . . nearly thought that the Emperor shall be st . . . . . [hearken] to reason without any great hostility, and in [the meantime the] king's Highness should enter the said league wy . . . . . wey if the Pope, the French, the Venetians . . . . . thereunto as of reason they ought to be for this mat[ter] . . . . . King nothing for any particular . . . . . interest or harm that may arise or ensue t[o him] by the Emperor's treaty with the French king o[r descent] in to Italy, there is nothing moveth grace (*sic*) to . . . . . this matter but only the love and affection that be between [the] said confederates; and it is no small thing th[at he] is contented to do, that is to say, to promise neither to favor o[r assist] the Emperor in anything concerning the withstanding [of the] league, but to favor and set forth the same as much as he may be . . . . . not contrary to his promise, brought to the war . . . . . without any reasonable ground or breach; this . . . . . well extended may be sufficient ground to . . . . . French king and Venetians to * * * . . . . . the said league . . . . . at the making thereof . . . . . tend to do either by c . . . . . what recompense his Grace shall have . . . . . ssynstens (?) shall be given to the King . . . . . real as for the payment of hy . . . . . for as recom-

† Struck out.

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pense for such title as th . . . . . justly to the realms of Castile and Lyons . . . . . as the King shall desire of the Pope, &c.

"There [i]s one other way that may be taken if the . . . . . be admitted, ... doth somewhat sound to the war and . . . . . che that hostility shall arise thereby between the K[ing and the Emp]eror.

"[Another] device is that the foresaid league be concluded . . . . . fyens before rehearsed, so that the [King our master] be not bound actually to enter the same [league within] two months of the conclusion and publication [of the same, and] the King make only contribution of sums of m[oney not exce]eding at the uttermost xxv.† ducats by the m[onth] . . . . . spas (?) for repayment, assignation of yearly . . . . . above, &c.

". . . . . anse why the said delay shall be gev[en] . . . . . in the said meantime." * * *

Draft in Wolsey's hand, pp. 4, *mutilated.*

8 May. Add. MS. 28,713. B. M.

72. JOUGLET to MARGARET OF SAVOY.

London, 8 May 1525.

Fr., pp. 4, *modern copy. Gayangos, p.* 688.

17 May. R. O.

73. BRIAN HIGDON to WOLSEY.

On Tuesday last was at Selby for the election of an abbot. At his suggestion the prior and brethren give to Wolsey full power to elect one for this time. Advises him to choose one of the brethren. There are four or more able men among them. The election of a stranger would do injury to the house, which is poor, and in great debt. It was greatly impoverished by the last stranger they had. York, 17 May.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Cardinal of York and legate of England.

22 May. Bib. Nat. MS. 2963.

74. HENRY VIII. to FRANCIS I.

Treshault et trespuissant prince, nostre trescher et tresame frere et bon cousin, a vous tres affectueusement et de bon cueur nous nous recommandons, vous advertissant que le gentilhomme porteur de cestes, ung des escuiers de vostre ecurie, nous a fait present depar vous des belles mules, que du parfait et entier amour envers nous, et a nous faire honneur et plaisir luy aviez ordonne nous amener, lesquelles vous assurons, treshault et trespuissant prince, nostre trescher et tresame frere et bon cousin, sont si electz, belles et de si bon train, et en toutz endroitz si bien composees et qualifiez, lornature et accoustrement deulz aussy si honnourable, bien fait et devisee, que nous ne le povons trop louer, commender et priser, estantz deliberez pour amour et en souvenance de vous, souvent les user a nostre comfort et rejoissement. Et pour ceste vostre bon et amiable gratuitie nous vous mercions tant cordiallement que faire povons, advisant que nous laccumelerons et mectrons en memoire entre vous (*MS. for* vos) aultres grands et bonnes demonstrances a nous journellement faites, et pour reciproque correspondence en fauldrons estre autant estudieux a vous faire honneur et plaisir en toutz vous (*sic*) affaires, aiantz grant desir povoir deviser aucune chose de gentillesse dedens cestui nostre roiaulme qui pareillement pourra estre a vostre contentacion et plaisir. A laquelle chose accomplir nous nous emploierons de tout nostre cueur; priant, au surplus, nostre Seigneur quil vous veulle avoir, treshault et trespuissant prince, nostre trescher et tresame frere et bon cousin, en sa

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tressaincte et digne garde. Escript en nostre chasteau de Wyndesor le xxii^e de jour de May lan xv^cz xxvi.

Vostre bon frere et melieur amy,
HENRY R.

A treshault et trespuissant prince, nostre trescher et tresame frere et bon cousin, le Roy Francois de France.

26 May. Royal MS. 111/272 b. f. 12. B. M.

75. FRANCIS I.

Instructions to Jean de Calmont (Calvimont), councillor of the king of France, and second president of the Parliament of Bordeaux, sent to the Emperor.

First, Calmont is to deliver his letters of credence, and to say that the peace between the Emperor and the King is profitable and agreeable to France. He is sent to reside at the Imperial court, and would have been sent sooner, but the King has waited for his Queen that they might send him jointly. The King has waited long for her on the Spanish frontier; and intends to wait for some time at Cognac, although his presence is required at Paris and in Burgundy. The King desires the Emperor to send her speedily, and reminds him that he has hostages; that he himself is a prince of honor, and has promptly performed what he could, as the surrender of Hesdin, &c.

The ambassador is sent so expedite the return of Bourbon's property. The principals of Burgundy are on the road, and the King hopes to manage matters well with them, which would have been difficult if the ratification had been delivered. He must congratulate the Emperor on his marriage with the princess of Portugal; show that the ratification could not be immediately delivered, in consequence of the difficulty of inducing a country which has long been under the dominion of a prince to change; and the affair must of necessity be conducted cautiously and discreetly. The chief difficulty is the insertion by the Emperor's chancellor of a clause obliging the King to obtain the consent of the Parliament, estates, and vassals of Burgundy. If they say to him that the Papal and Venetian ambassadors are at the French court, trying to hinder the performance of the treaty of Madrid, he must reply that they have come to congratulate him on his deliverance, and that they said that a universal peace would be good; but if they mentioned anything touching his honor he would not hear them. He must also remind the Emperor of the preparations made by the Turk.

Fr., pp. 10, *modern copy.*

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76. ROBERT BRANDLYNG, Merchant of Newcastle, to NORFOLK.

Sent the King's letters to the duke of Holstein for the delivery of our ships. His servant delivered them to his Grace, who, after breaking the letters, seeing it was addressed to the duke of Holstein, gave it to one of his Council, who returned it to the messenger, saying he knew no such man. Had it been addressed to the king of Denmark, he would have answered it. Thus the messenger was driven to make supplication for delivery of the ships, when he was told that we should be answered when Cowpmanhavonne was given over. Our mariners, therefore, remain there at great cost, awaiting his pleasure. Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 18 June. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

25 June. Acts of Parl. of Sc. II. 300.

77. The PARLIAMENT OF SCOTLAND.

Edinburgh, 12 June 1526.

13 June. The King takes all offices into his own hands.

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14 June. The King being now 14 years of age takes the government into his own hands. The King declares void the letters sent to the Pope in favor of Andro Dury for the abbacy of Melrose, in opposition to Dene John Maxwell, abbot of Dundrynan.

19 June. Master Alex. Kingorn, dean of Rosscheld, ambassador of Christiern king of Denmark, appeared as procurator for John Mathisone and Clement Androsone, captains of the Peter Hull, wrecked near Aberdeen. Case prorogued to 20 Oct.—John Skrimgeor asked instruments that he warned the Lords that when he was in Denmark "the discharge of Orkney and Shetland might have been had surely to the king's Grace."

20 June. Summons of treason was issued against lord George Hume to have appeared in Parliament on the 14th inst. for not assisting Archibald earl of Angus, warden of the East and Middle Marches, at days of truce. On the case being heard, he is declared innocent. Andrew Ker of Farnyhirst is also absolved from a similar charge.

21 June. Names of lords appointed for the King's council. All acts of the King since he reached the age of 14, on the 11th April last, are confirmed by Parliament.

Summons of treason to be raised against the earl of Eglintoun, the lord Simple, Nele of Mungumry, and Sir John Striveling of the Keir.

21 June. The King and the Three Estates ratify the letters of commendation to the Pope for the promotion of George, abbot of Holyrood House, to the bishopric of Dunkeld, and of William Douglas, provost of Methven, to the abbacy of Holyrood House. The King ratifies the decree given in Parliament in favor of John Somervale against James earl of Arran and others.

It is thought expedient that ambassadors be sent to France and England about the King's marriage.

No pardon or respite to be granted to persons who commit slaughter with deceit, or burn houses, &c. by night, until the King come to the age of 25.

General pardon granted to the earls of Angus, Argyle and Lennox, Glencairn, lord Maxwell, and their kin, for 19 years.

25 June. The King ratifies a grant made before, by the advice of Albany, to George lord Hume, of the possessions of Alexander late lord Hume, his brother.

The King requires James archbishop of St. Andrew's to cease from all proceedings against those who have taken part of his lands by virtue of any commission not according to common law.

2 July, R. O.

78. George Elyott to Cromwell.

Many Frenchmen have been here continually during this mart, but on Thursday last they had warning by two posts to tarry no longer, and they left that morning, to the number of 50 or 60 persons. This country reckons to have war with them again; but as long as we be their friends, they do not care for them. At our departing we shall have as much money owing to us as we be all worth, and more too, certainly more than 100,000*l.*, for there is no ware to bring homeward, by which a man could reckon to make his money in a year. Asks Cromwell to lend his wife 20*l.* till his return. Antwerp, 2 July 1526.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

7 July. R. O.

79. [Wolsey ?] to ———

Advises him not to hinder John Bussy from occupying the stewardship of the manor of Hogh, Linc., with the "manrod" and the order of the

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[WOLSEY ?] to ——— —*cont.*

tenants there, which his predecessors granted under their conventual seal to him and his father Sir Miles Bussy, now dead,* in survivorship. London, 7 July.

P. 1, *draft.* *Endd.:* Copie of a letter devised for John Busshe, Esq.

10 July. **80.** THOS. MARQUIS OF DORSET to MONTMORENCY.

MS.3010,f.24. Bibl.Nat.

Thanks Francis for assigning him, among other English nobles, a pension of 500 cr. Is not dissatisfied, but mentions that he has been a pensioner since the two Kings met at Ardre, at which time Francis gave him 1,000 cr. a year; and thinks this present grant may have been made by inadvertence. London, 10 July 1526.

Fr., from a transcript, p. 1.

17 July. **81.** HENRY VIII. to LEE.

Camb. MS. 1044, f. 17.

Has seen by his communications to Wolsey, and by his last despatch from Seville, the 13th of May, the present state of affairs, and that an ambassador had been despatched to England by the Emperor. Sends the present bearer on matters of great moment. As the Turk intends shortly to enter Hungary, and Lutheranism is rapidly spreading in Germany, Henry has directed his policy accordingly, and hopes the Emperor will do the same, without any regard to his private interests, considering the friendship that exists between them. The Emperor is aware that the king of France cannot persuade his subjects to accomplish the conditions of the treaty of Madrid, and that the Italians are in great dread of the Emperor's coming into Italy with an armed force. He should therefore act with moderation. In view of these evils, Francis has made a league with Venice and the Pope, nominating England as protector, and leaving a place for the Emperor, on condition of his restoring the French king's children for a sum of money, and satisfying his debts to England. In consideration, however, of his love for the Emperor, and belief in his moderation, the King has hitherto refused the said protectorate, and he trusts that the Emperor will manifest to the world his desire for the general peace of Christendom, abandoning all hopes of receiving the Imperial Crown by force, revoking his army, and allowing the duke of Milan to enjoy the duchy, especially at the King's intercession. The King also trusts that the Emperor will acquit the debt that is due to him, and will interpose his best services between Francis and the Emperor. This course will conduce to his own stability, and remove the dangers and scandals of Christendom. Lee is to send word how the Emperor accepts these proposals, that the King may know how to act for the good of Christendom, and whether he shall accept the protectorate that is offered him. As Lee is not well acquainted with the French tongue, and the Emperor does not understand Latin, the King sends a translation of these instructions in French; and Lee is to tell the Emperor that he has ordered this to be done *verbatim*, for the better understanding of the Emperor. If the Emperor takes these proposals strangely, he is to "extend the circumstances thereof" according to his wisdom. If it is reported that the King has entered the league already, he is to deny it. As the contrahents intend to act immediately, the Emperor will see the necessity of a speedy reply. If he should ask Lee what he considers a sufficient recompence for redemption of the hostages, Lee shall say, as of himself, that it should be not less than 1,000,000 cr., to be paid at various dates; and that "there may be consignation made of a good part" of the debt due to England, "upon such payments

* Sir Miles Bushy died on the 28th April 1525, according to the Inquisition *post mortem*, 17 Hen.VIII., No. 167.

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as shall be agreed to be made by the French king unto the Emperor for that purpose;" in which matter Henry would act liberally. If he finds the Emperor obstinate, Lee shall warn him that the King will very unwillingly be compelled to enter the league, and oppose his designs in Italy. The ambassadors of the Pope, France, and Venice are to be made privy to these instructions. Oking,* 17 July. *Signed by the King at top and bottom.*
Pp. 16. *Add.*

82. SPAIN.

Camb. MS. 1044, f. 170.

Seven proposals made to the Emperor for restoring the French king's children.
Lat., pp. 4.

22 July. R. O.

83. GEORGE LAWSON to CROMWELL.

Begs him to remember his matters, and "be at some point" with the prior of Lees. The bearer, Lawson's chaplain, is going to the prior of Lewes about a benefice. Begs Cromwell to give him his advice, and when the chaplain goes to the bishop of Norwich, to write to some of his friends about the Bishop. Remembrances to my cousin Smyth and his wife, and Mrs. Gostwyk. Berwick, 22 July.
Hol., p. 1. "To the right worshipful Master Cromwell at London."

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84. GEORGE LAWSON to CROMWELL

Begs him to remember his matter with the prior of Lees, Grenefeld, and Typtre, and to help get some money. Understands Edward Pekham has obtained the office of cofferer of the King's household. If it be not passed, and remedy can be had by my lord Cardinal, hopes Cromwell will have him in remembrance. Tell my cousin Smythe he has forgotten his old friend, and has not written since Lawson left London. York, 19 Sept.
Desires news. Ask my gossip Bonvice to write to Mr. Florens to see that my son George be kept continually at school.
Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my right worshipful Master Cromwell at London. *Endd.*

24 Sept. R. O.

85. BRIAN HIGDON, WM. ABBOT OF RIEVAUX, and JOHN ABBOT OF ROCHE to WOLSEY.

The Abbot Elect of Fountains, of whose conduct Wolsey wished to be informed before he confirmed him, is a good and virtuous liver, well learned, and of good experience and gravity. He is the best man for the place in the convent, and they beg Wolsey to order him to be admitted. 24 Sept. *Signed.*
P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Cardinal's Grace and Legate of England.

29 Sept. Camb. MS. 1044, f. 26.

86. WOLSEY to LEE.

Wishes him to see the pensions due to Wolsey from Palance and Toledo paid according to the Pope's bull. Is surprised that these pensions are withheld, and wishes him to obtain assistance of John Almayn. As these pensions amount to 7,500 ducats, will give Almayn 500 ducats per annum for his help. Holds the Emperor's grant of 9,000 cr. of the sun yearly in recompence for the bishopric and abbey of St. Martin's, Tournay, which has now been unpaid for four years. Begs him to obtain the whole

* Corrected from "the More."

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or part of this sum. Will give Almayn for his assistance 2,000 cr. and 500 ducats *per annum*, making in all 1,000 ducats *per annum*. Lee may take part of the sums he collects for his own diets. The More, 29 Sept. *Signed.*

Pp. 2, *in Wriothesley's hand. Add.*

9 Oct. **87.** DOVER.

Add. MS. 28,035. B. M.

Account of the fees, &c. paid by ships at Dover, from 2 June 1518 to 9 Oct. 1526.

30 Oct. 1518. The *Peter*, Thomas May, master, to Calais, with 25 horses of Mr. Vauce.—The *John*, T. Fynnyas, master, to Calais, with Mr. Vauce and his servants.

8 Nov. The *Myghell*, Wm. Legent, master, to Calais, with 17 horses of Mr. Carow's.

10 Nov. The *Anne*, Wm. Fynnyas, master, to Calais, with Mr. Cheney, his stuff, and his servants. — The *Christofor*, Robert Stelman, master, to Calais, with my Lord Chamberlain's horses.—The *George Cokkes*, Nicolas Cokkes, master, to Calais, with Mr. Peche's horses.—The *Peter*, Thomas May, master, to Calais, with the ambassadors of Spain.—The *Harry*, Wm. Martyn, master, to Calais, with my Lord Chamberlain's company.

14 Jan. [1519]. The *James*, Wm. Martyn, master, to Calais, brings "in his homeway" five servants and five horses of Mr. Bolen, ambassador.

21 Jan. The *Margat*, John a Wod, master, "in his homeway," six horses of my Lord Chamberlain, and four of my lord of St. John's.—The *Christoffor*, Robt. Stelman, master, "in his homeway," eight horses of my lord of Ely, and six of Mr. Weston.

29 Jan. The *Peter*, Pers Yong, master, "in his homeway," Sir Wm. Par and other lords.

5 Feb. The *Mary and John*, Wm. Legent, master, "in his homeway," the ambassadors.—The *Peter*, in his homeway, my lord of Ely.

8 Feb. The *Christofor*, in his homeway, my lord of Ely.

21 April. The *John*, Thos. Fynnyas, master, to Calais, with my lady Vause.

[19 May].* The *Barbara*, Wm. Legent, master, to Calais, with Sir John Fragueham.

14 Feb. The *Barbara*, James Foch, master, in his homeway, five horses of my lord of Ely.

15 Feb. The *Peter*, Pers Yonge, master, in his homeway, my Lord Chamberlain, ambassador. — The *John*, Thomas Fynnyas, master, in his homeway, Dr. Knight.

31 March. The *Jamys*, Wm. Martyn, master, and the *Christofor*, Robt. Stelman, master, to Calais, with the ambassador of Flanders.

10 April. The *Margat*, John a Wod, master, to Calais, with Mr. Skevington, master of the King's ordnance.

16 April. The *John*, T. Fynnyas, master, "in his homeway," Mr. Skevington.

20 April. Paid to John a Wod, for setting over Mr. Skevington, 12*s.* 5*d.*

16 May. The *Peter Yong*, Pers Yong, master, to Calais and back, with Mr. Wynkfeld, and bringing over Mr. Treasurer.

20 May. The *Barbara*, James Foch, master, to Calais, with Mr. Carewe and Mr. Gilforth.

20 June. Mr. Mayor, Mr. Nethersole, James Foch, and John May, elected wardens of the "fyrebox" (ferry box).

* After an entry so dated.

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There is to receive of the customers of this Michaelmas quarter, for setting over the Legate, 8*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.*

Mem. It is agreed by the wardens and company of the "ferebox" that the following ships shall be laid up either here in the Wyke, or in Calais, or Sandwich haven, to be ready to do service when commanded by the wardens and company;—viz., Mr. Bailly, the *Harry* and the *Myghell;* Mr. Nethersole, the *Clement;* Pers Yong, the *Myghell;* The Town, the *Margat.*

12 Oct. The *Mighell Yong*, Pers Yong, master, to Calais, with Master Marshall, Master Carowe, and an ambassador; in his homeway, my lady Vausce and Mr. Derell.

28 Oct. The *George*, T. Barbour, master, to Calais, with Mr. Lieutenant of the Staple.—10 Nov. To Calais, with Frenchmen.—17 Nov. To Calais, with the master of the Fellowship.

12 Dec. The *Christofor Stelman*, Robt. Stelman, master, to Calais, with my lady Carewe.

3 Feb. [1520]. The *Peter Yong*, Pers Yong, master, to Calais, with Mr. Wyngfeld.

4 Feb. The *George*, Thos. Whitmore, master, to Calais, with 20 horses of Mr. Wyngfeld's. (To be paid by a letter to my lord Cardinal.)

21 Feb. The *George Barbour*, to Calais, with Master Pater and three of his horses.—The *Myghell*, Gyllan, master, to Calais, with Mr. Vausce and Mr. Belknappe.

16 March. The *Christofor*, Robt. Stelman, master, to Calais, with the King's carpenters; and the *George*, T. Whitmore, master, with the King's laborers.

15 Oct. The *Barbara*, James Foch, master, in his homeway, seven horses of Mr. Treasurer.

18 Oct. The *John*, John Barbour, master, to Calais, with a French ambassador.

10 Nov. The *Myghell*, Wm. Martyn, master, to Calais, with the lord of Spain; in his homeway, two horses of Mr. Deputy, "that is, Sir John Pechy."*

29 Nov. The *Mary and John*, Wm. Legent, master, to Calais, with the abbot of St. Austin's.

1 Dec. The *Myghell*, Wm. Martyn, master, to Calais, with ten horses of an ambassador.

6 Dec. The *Gabryell*, John May, master, to Calais, with the lord deputy Sir Harry Barmys.†

7 Dec. The *Mary and John*, with seven horses of my Lord Deputy's.

15 Dec. The *Myghell*, to Calais, with Sir Morys Bartley (Berkeley), seven of his horses, and seven of the King's.—The *Gabryell*, to Calais, with Mr. Carewe.—The *Harry*, Gyllam, master, to Calais, with Mr. Wynsour.

3 Jan. 12 Hen. VIII. (1521). The *George Barbour*, Thomas Barbour, master, to Calais, with Mr. Comptroller.

12 Jan. The *Barbara*, James Foch, master; and the *George Barbour*, Thos. Barbour, master, to Calais, with Mr. Fuwilliams.

8 Feb. The *Mary and John*, John Barbour, master, in his homeway, six horses of Sir Andrew Wynsour.

26 Feb. Paid to Pers Yong, for setting over Mr. Dean of the King's chapel, 26*s.*

5 March. The *Gabryell*, John May, master, to Calais, with Mr. Pole.

Mem. The customer has promised to pay, 14 days after Midsummer, 10*l.* for the passage of Sir Richard Wynkfeld, and 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* for the passage and repassage of Mr. Skevyngton.

* These words are struck out.

† Sic.

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28 March 1520. The *Mary and John*, Wm. Legent, master, to Calais, with the King's artificers.

29 March. The *John*, John Barbour, master, to Calais, with the King's laborers.

31 March. The *George*, T. Barbour, master, to Calais, with Mr. Marshal of Calais.

"32 March." The *Mary and John*, to Calais, with Mr. Clarencyus.

13 April. The *Barbara*, James Foch, master, to Calais, with my Lord Chamberlain.

13 April. The *Gabryell*, Edw. May, master, to Calais, with forty sawyers. conducted by John Horton and Edw. Strete. 14 April, with Thomas Rawlens, the Cardinal's clerk of the kitchen, Strete, Horton, and forty carpenters. 15 April, with forty sheep of my Lord Chamberlain, and three horses of Mr. Gylforth.

16 April. Due to John Myghell, master of the *Clement*, from the sergeant of the King's bakehouse, for his horses, servants, and stuff, 33*s.* 4*d.*

22 April. The *Myghell*, Gyllan, master, to Calais, with the King's mill horses and others.

29 April. The *John*, John Barbour, master, to Calais, with Mr. Sandes.

30 April. The *Clement*, to Calais, with lady Vausce.

3 May. The *George*, T. Barbour, master, to Calais, with eighteen painters.

5 May. The *Christoffour*, Robt. Stelman, master, to Calais, with an ambassador of F[rance].

12 May. The *George*, to Calais, with Mr. Mekelow.

18 May. The *Barbara*, James Foch, master, to Calais, with an ambassador of France.

20 May. The *Mary and John*, to Calais, with five bullocks and twenty-five sheep of my lord of Ely.

22 May. The *James*, Wm. Martyn, master, to Calais, with 20 bullocks and 120 sheep for my lord of Suffolk.—The *George*, T. Whitmore, master, to Calais, with 25 bullocks and 60 sheep of my lord Cardinal's.—The *Christoffour*, to Calais, with 24 bullocks and 60 sheep of my lord Cardinal's. —The *John*, John Barbour, master, to Calais, with 30 carpenters.

2 July. The *Gabryell*, to Calais, with 30 carpenters, sawyers, joiners, and painters.

"Mem., that all the ships of Dover, that is, 14 sail, entered in wages the 5th day of July, whereupon is received of the commissioners for a prest 30*l.*"

9 July. The *Mary and John*, to Calais, with two horses, two mares, and four bulls of the King's.—Paid for a breakfast to the commissioners, 3*s.*

28 July 1520. Robert Stelman, Pers Yong, Thomas Fynnyas, and Thomas Barbour were chosen wardens of the "ferebox" for the following year.

24 Dec. Receipt of sums from the customer, for the passage of Belknappe, Vausce, the King's artificers, and others, during the past year, to be divided among 13 ships.

15 Aug. 1520. The *Peter*, Robt. Browne, master, returning with Mr. Wyngfeld.

13 Sept. The *James*, Wm. Martyn, master, to Calais, with Dr. Donston (Tunstall).

27 April 1521. The *Peter Yong*, Pers Yong, master, returning with seven horses of Mr. Treasurer's.—The *Gabryell*, to Calais, with 14 bullocks and 100 sheep of Sir Mores of Bartlett.

11 May. The *Peter Yonge*, to Calais, with Mr. Wyngfeld.

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4 June. The *John*, T. Fynnyas, master, to Calais, with Mr. Vausce.—The *Christoffour*, to Calais, with 15 horses of Mr. Treasurer's, Mr. Pellam's, Mr. Tate's, and merchants, and a mule of Mr. Vausce's.

6 June. The *Gabryell*, to Calais, with three horses of Mr. Carewe, and two of merchants.

10 June. Mr. Bailly, Mr. Nethersole, Jas. Foch, and Edw. May, chosen wardens of the "fere box" for the next year; the box to be kept a quarter by each of them.

[17 June.] The *Gabryell*, to Calais, with Mr. Willm. Fewilliams.

27 July. The *Myghell*, Thos. Lymmyngton, master, to Calais, with my lord Mountjoy.

31 July. The *Mary and John*, to Calais, with ten bullocks of Sir Mores of Barlett, and a horse of Adryan Dogan.

10 July. The *Peter*, to Calais, with Mr. Wyngefelde.

20 July. The *John*, Thomas Fynnyas, master, to Calais, with horses of Mr. Breswod and Mr. Eston, servant to my lord Cardinal.

22 July. The *Gabryell*, to Boulogne, with a French ambassador.

30 July. The *George*, Thos. May, master, to Calais, with 27 bullocks of my lord Cardinal.—The *Mary and John*, to Calais, with five bullocks and a horse of my lord Cardinal's, and six horses of Mr. Vausce.

31 July. The *George*, to Calais, with Mr. Lusyn.

12 Aug. The *Gabryell*, with bullocks of my lord Mongioy, and six horses of Mr. Gilforth.

29 Aug. The *Christoffour*, to Calais, with twenty bullocks of my lord deputy, and four horses.

5 Sept. The *John*, with five bullocks and twenty sheep of my lord of Duram, and a mare of Mr. Breswod; in his homeway, Mr. Vausce.—The *Peter*, Robert Justes, master, to Calais, with eight bullocks of Sir Mores a Barlett; in his homeway, Mr. Gyett.

16 Sept. The *Mary and John*, to Calais, with "Spayners."

22 Sept. The *John*, in his homeway, eight horses of my lord of Durham's.

23 Sept. The *George Barbour*, to Calais, with six bullocks of my lord of Durham's.

28 Sept. The *Christoffour*, Simon Scot, master, in his homeway, my lord of St. John's horses.

9 Oct. The *John*, in his homeway, three horses of Mr. Mores, and eight men of my lord of St. John.

31 Oct. The *Peter*, to Calais, with Mr. Scrox, pertaining to my lord Cardinal.

16 Nov. The *Peter*, to Calais, with certain doctors of my lord Cardinal, Mr. Croke, and merchants.

22 Nov. The *Myghell*, to Calais, with 100 sheep of my Lord Deputy, two servants of Dr. Knyghte, and 40 qrs. of malt of Mr. Bailly; in his homeway, my Lord Chamberlain.—The *Peter*, going to Calais, and bringing back my lord Cardinal.—The *John*, going over for my lord of Doram.

[4 Jan.] 1522. The *Barbara*, to Calais with the ambassador of Hungary.—The *Myghell*, to Calais, with Mr. Cheney.—The *Peter Yonge*, Robt. Justes, master, to Calais, with Mr. Wyngfeld and Dr. Knyght; for payment of which there is a privy seal directed to the customers.

23 Feb. The *Gabryell*, to Calais, with 15 bullocks of Sir Mores of Bartlett.

The master of the "Mesyndewe" hath 20*s.* from the box, and must have 13*s.* 4*d.* more from Mr. Mayor.

From Lady Day to Midsummer 13 Hen. VIII. [1522]. The *Mary and John*, with eleven horses of Mr. Treasurer, and one of Mr. Clopton.—The *John Evangelist*, John Barbour, master, to Boulogne, with a French am-

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bassador.—The *Peter*, in his homeway, nine Spaniards; and again to Calais with Sir Edw. Gylforth.

7 May. The *Peter* and the *Myghell*, to Calais, with Mr. Wynkfeld.

21 May. The *Peter*, to Calais, with my Lord Warden.

23 May. The *Myghell*, and other ships, to Calais, with my lord Marcas (Marquis, *i.e.* Dorset) and the bishop of Chichester, their servants and horses.

24 May. The *John*, to Calais, with seven horses of my lord Delaweyr's.

29 May. The *Christoffour*, to Calais, with 19 horses of Mr. Sandes.

30 May. The *Myghell*, to Calais, with my lord of Istylstayn.

2 June. The *Barbara*, to Calais, with Sir Matthew Browne and his company.—The *Peter*, to Calais, with 100 men of Sir Morys of Bartlett; in his homeway, an ambassador of Flanders, called a Frenchman; and Mr. Cheney.

16 June 1522. Due to the box for setting over my lord Marcas, my lord of Delawey, my lord of Chichester, and transporting the Emperor, 58*l.*

10 July 14 Hen. VIII. Robert Stelman, mayor, Peter Yong, Thomas Fyneas, and John May were chosen wardens of the passage, and took their oaths before the Company.

16 July 14 Hen. VIII. The *Christoffer Stelman*, and three other ships, with the Emperor's servants.—20 July, six ships, and 21 July, one ship, with the Emperor's men.

"Here cometh in the service in setting over of the King's army of soldiers."

From 8 Aug. to 2 Sept. the following were ferried over:—lord Fytzwauter, 30 men, 20 horses, 30 miners. Robert Basle, and 27 other men. 40 men, with horses of Norrey king at arms, Lord Deputy, and Sir Wm. Barantyne. Sir Antony Browne, and his men. 100 men of my lord of St. John's, Thos. Slefeld, capt. 50 of my lord of Lincoln, 10 of Mr. Shelley, recorder of London, and 10 of the prior of Walsingham. Men and horses of my lord of Norwich, Andrew Hudspeth, capt., Sir John Hevyngham of Suffolk, Sir Richard Wyngfeld, the abbot of Stratford, Sir —— Jernyngham, my lord of St. John's, Sir Edw. Guldeford, Mr. Th. Taye, sheriff of Essex, Mr. Fysher of Bedfordshire. 200 men of my lord of Canterbury, with Mr. Waram. Men of Mr. Russell, Sir Edw. Dun, Sir John Mordaunt, Sir John Wiseman, the prior of St. Swythyn's, Sir Richard Wentworth, Sir Philip Bothe, the abbot of Burye, Sir John Shelton, Mr. Robt. Dormer, Mr. Humffrey Browne, sergeant of the law, the prior of Crechurche, the abbot of St. Austen's, Mr. Josselyn, Sir Edw. Nevell, Mr. John Roper, Sir John Vere, Mr. Long, the King's servant.

12 Aug. Sir Wm. Skevyngton, master of the ordnance, Wm. Huxley, clerk, and their servants and artificers. Lord Leonard Grey, Sir Robt. Wyngfeld, with their men. Men and horses of Mr. Bryan, Sir John Wallop, Sir Wm. Hastyngs, Sir James Darell, Sir Edw. Ryngeley, Gabryel Josselyn, the King's servant, the lady Margaret, Sir Wm. Sandes, Edw. Seymor, Thos. Gryvell, Thos. Empson, John Cheyne, Ric. Norres, the Emperor, John Norreys, the lady of Oxford, Sir Thos. Lewes, Sir John Deyne, Downold Hasebryk, lord Hastyngs, lord John Grey, lord Cobham, Mr. Senclowe, Sir Wm. Kyngston, Sir Andrew Wyndsore, Mr. Everard Dygby, Sir John Dygby, Sir Ric. Sasheverell, Sir John Vyllers. Men of Sir Chr. Teynam, with Mr. Gordon, capt., under the lord Leonard Marques. Men of Sir Ric. Coffyn, Sir Wm. Hawte, Mr. Frogmorton, lord Dawbeney, lord Dacre, lord Dudley, Sir Wm. Smythe, Sir Wm. Compton, lord Sowche, lord Fitzwaren, the earl of Wiltshire, Sir Harry Wylloughby, Sir Wm. Morgan, Sir Giles Strangwiche, and Sir Wm. Smythe. The King's money with Sir Wm. Sandes.

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Sept. 10. The *Mary and John*, John Browne, master; horses of Sir John Babyngton, knight of Rhodes, and of a French knight of Rhodes.

[Nov.] The *Christoffer Stelman*, and six other ships, went over to Calais to transport the King's army.

28 Nov. The *Peter Yong*, Thomas May, master, to Calais, with the King's money; and, 2 Dec., out of the Downs, and homeward with Mr. Treasurer of Calais, and other gentlemen.

23 Feb. 1523. The *Peter Yong*, Peter Yong, master, with Mr. Lelgrave and the King's money; 5 March, with Mr. Porter, of Calais; 12 March, with Sir Mores a Barkley, and with horses of Mr. Gage and Mr. Briswod.

1 April. The *Anne Fortune*, with Dr. Knyght and Sir Wm. Skevyngton. —The *Peter Yong*, with Sir Wm. Skevyngton, Mr. Fowler, and the King's money.

8 April. The *John a Baptyst*, John Courtney and John Alowe, owners, was admitted by the wardens to be in the company of the ferry box.

16 April. The *Anne Fortune*, with the bishop of Bath.

[April or May.] Allowed to the *Peter Maye*, John Maye, master, 6*s.* 8*d.*, for half a week's victuals, tarrying at Calais for the king of Denmark. A voyage by John Fyneas, with the King's horses sent to Venice.

St. Francis Day (Oct. 4.) 1524. The *Anne Fortune*, with Mr. Jernyngham; in his homeway, the bishop of St. Asse; and a voyage with Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam.

15 Nov. The *Peter Baylye*, John Burnell, master, with lord Sandes.—The *Anne Fortune*, with the lieutenant of the Staple.—The *Peter Baylye*, with Mr. Gressam, and ten other merchants.

11 Dec. The *Peter Baylye*, with Mr. Governor's company; 21 Dec., with the King's money.

28 March 1525. The *John Baptyst*, John Alowe, master, with the French ambassador.

2 May. The *Gabryell*, Peter Dorell, master, with the lieutenant of the Staple.—The *Anne Fortune*, Hewe Jacobbe, master, homeward, nine Easterlings and other merchants, and 30 pilgrims from St. James.

[June.] The *Anne Fortune*, with Mr. Fowler.

The shyfte of the ferry box, shyfted at Mr. Broke's, 9 Oct. 18 Hen. VIII., for a quarter from Lady Day, "anno regis prædicti xiiij.," to Midsummer following.

18*l.* divided among the *Christoffer Stelman*, the *Barbara*, the *John a Baptyst*, the *Gabryell*, the *Peter Maye*, the *Anne Fortune*, the *John Fennyas*, and the *John Evangelyst*.

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88. Payments to the Burgess of Parliament for Dover, 14 to 16 Hen. VIII.

A° 14. To Robt. Nethersole, at his going from home to the Parliamentward, 13 April, 3*s.* 4*d.* A horse hired for him to ride to Canterbury, 4*d.* Part payment of his wages, 40*s.* A horse hired of Saunder Smale, 8*d.*

A° 15 and 16. Delivered to him by the two sergeants, 43*s.* He "stondeth to Thos. Lybeas for" 4*s.* Total paid, 4*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.* Rest, 5*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*; of which has since been paid, 45*s.* 8*d.* So rest behind, 57*s.* 8*d.*; whereof deducted for his part of the cesse toward the payment of the wages, 12*s.* The residue, 45*s.* 8*d.*, was paid 29 July 16 Hen. VIII., before Mr. Mayor, John Elam, Richard Monyng, R. Fluce, and others of the common council.

Paid to Mr. Nethersole for — days at the first and second Parliament, and his charges, 9*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*

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Receipts of the Corporation.

Assize of wine: Malvesey and Romeney, 16*d.* a butt. Claret and Rhenish, 16*d.* a pipe.

Murage, received on 19 days, in one year from 26 Sept. to 3 Sept., sums varying from 8*d.* to 5*s.* 7*d.*

"Mercate," in one year from 26 Sept. to 10 Sept., 18 days, sums from 5*d.* to 21*s.* 5½*d.*

Pontage. For bridges for the transport of the King's army in Aug. and Sept., 3*s.* Debt for six bridges due [at the] Emperor's last landing, in the time [of Mr.] Stelman, mayor, ... &c.

Subsidy of bridges: payments for bullocks, ½*d.*, and horses, 2*d.* each.

Coal carts, 14*d.*

Fines of frays and misordered persons: 2 Oct., from Thos. Middelton, for default at the last horn-blowing, and resisting the mayor, 5*s.* Two other fines for "drawing blood" (*sums lost*).

19 Aug. Order by Robt. Dyar, mayor, Robt. Nethersole, Richard Monyn, John Elam, Robt. Stelman, and Robt. Fluce, jurates, that if Richard Hope suffers dice-playing in his house, he shall forfeit 10*s.*; and that if Wm. Nele, shoemaker, is found playing at dice, he shall forfeit 20*s.*; and Richard Greve, Edmund Templeman, William Cokeram, and John Fuller, 10*s.*

Fine from Nic. Waxham, for not going to ward at Mr. Mayor's commandment, 6*s.* 8*d.* For meting 12 wey of salt, 2*s.* 6*d.*; 2*s.* of which was spent upon the meters, because the Frenchmen were not suffered to mete their own salt, being prisoners, and the salt having come as payment of their ransoms. From Wm. Williams, baker, for lack of weight, 21*d.*

At St. Martin's fair, for standing in the cross and the flesh shambles, 18*d.* For corn laden in the Wyke, *nil.* Pound gelt, 11*s.* 28 Nov., for herring fare and mackerel, 31*s.* 7*d.* 28 Nov. and 18 March, 60 cods delivered to Mr. Mayor. 24 Oct., from John Unthanke and Robt. Stelman, for voyages of their boats, 12*s.* Rent from Humfrey Mylles, for one quarter for the shop under the town hall, 6*s.* 8*d.* Rent by South Broke, from Robt. Fluce, Hamond Richard, Thos. Lybeas, the master of the Mesondue, the prior for the mill, and others, sums varying from 4*d.* to 10*s.* Rent by East Broke, John Broke, the parson of St. James, and others, from 4*d.* to 3*s.* 6*d.* Receipts of 2*s.* in the pound of the passage of ships and boats, 2*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* Fine from John Foxe, armourer, for setting up his shop, 20*d.* Maltott, by South Broke, 79 persons, from 4*d.* to 40*s.* Maltott, by East Broke, 32 persons, from 4*d.* to 9*s.** The cesse of the bench, Robt. Dyar, mayor, 11*s.*; Thos. Vaughan, bailiff, 13*s.* 4*d.*; and 10 others, from 3*s.* to 12*s.* [The cesse for] Bore End and South Broke, 74 persons, from 4*d.* to 6*s.* 8*d.* [The cesse for] East Broke, 64 persons, from 4*d.* to 6*s.* 8*d.* [The cesse for] Charleton, two persons, 8*d.* and 4*d.*

Received from our limbs toward our suit for the discharge of the subsidy:—9 April, from St. John's and St. Peter's, in Thenett, 13*s.* 6*d.* each. From Kingsdown and Rengewold, 6*s.* 8*d.* Contributions of our limbs:—From the deputy of Mergate and St. John's, 26*s.* 8*d.* The deputy of St. Peter's, 16*s.* 8*d.* The deputy of Byrchyngton and Goresende, 16*s.* 8*d.* The wardens of Folston, 46*s.* 8*d.* The mayor and wardens of Feversham, 40*s.* The deputy of Kyngesdowne and Rengewolde, 8*s.* 4*d.*

Ordinary charges of the town:—To Mr. Couche, "baylye to Jernemouth for this year for Dover," 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* A supper for Mr. Mayor and the new wardens, after the accounts, 6*s.* Warning for a special broderyeld, 28 Sept.,

* Note in margin:—Sol. in domo ca. in die comput. xv. H. VIII.

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8*d.*; breakfast, 2*s.* 11½*d.*; dinner, 2*s.* 8½*d.* Drink in Lent, 8*d.* To the prior, for rent for the court hall, 4*s.* Quarter's wages of Ric. Piers, the common wait, 5*s.* Quarter's wages of Thos. Stevynson, Mr. Mayor's sergeant, 6*s.* 8*d.* Quarter's wages of John Fraunces, the town sergeant, 6*s.* 8*d.* Quarter's wages of the town clerk, 16*s.* 8*d.* Given to the porters when they took their oaths, 4*d.* Wine on Easter Day to Mr. Mayor, his brethren, the Prior, the master of the Mesondue, Sir John Tremayle, and other officers, 6*s.* 8*d.*; and similar expences on Whitsunday and Corpus Christi Day. Dinner for the admiral's lieutenant, and other company, 23 May, 14*s.* 9*d.* To the town sergeant for gathering murage and markett for one quarter, 15*d.* Expences of broderyelds, held at Romeney the Tuesday after St. Margaret's Day, and the Tuesday after the close of Easter 15 Hen. VIII. To the clerk of the broderyeld, 3*s.* 4*d.* To Mr. Baylye and Mr. Nethersole, wages as burgesses of Parliament, 3*l.* 15*s.*, and 7*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* To Mr. Mayor for his year's fee, 4*l.*, &c.

Reparation of the town houses, &c. :—A lock for the stocks, 4*d.* Paving five yards in Turnpike Lane, 10*d.* Paving at Bochery bridge, 7*d.* Working on the alms-house beside Wallgate, 16*d.* Cleaning the market place on St. Martin's Even, 4*d.* A staple to the hog pound gate, 1½*d.* Mending the clock at St. Martin's, 12*d.* Piles and thorns, and making hedges at the Broke, the town mill, and Snorgate, and many other items.

Charges for men who went over sea as soldiers with our warden :—A hauberk 4*s.*, harness 3*s.*, a sword 2*s.*, &c. Total, 19*s.*

Expences of wine and pleasures given to our warden, his lieutenant, and others :—A stoop of wine to Mr. Vice-Admiral, 8*d.*, and to lord Mountagewe, 8*d.* Wine to the sergeant of the King's "beres," 11*d.*; and wine, ale, &c., to lord Sandes, 26 Nov. To the abbot of St. Radegund, the town clerk of Sandwich, Mr. Chr. Halys, Sir Edw. Rengley, the duke of Suffolk, Mr. Baker, jurate of Rye, Mr. Boyce, and Mr. Mann, the King's commissioners, when they came to sit with Mr. Mayor to cesse the strangers in Dover for the subsidy. Porpoise and oranges to Sir Wm Hawte, for his counsel and favor. Lord Suffragan of Canterbury, Mr. Copuldyke, and Mr. Frognall, captains of our warden's crew, and others.

Rewards to the King's messenger with a letter missive, with instructions for reforming the cesse set upon aliens in Dover, to the duke of Suffolk's players, to the players of the town, to Thorold our warden's minstrel, to my lord of Arundel's players, and others.

Charges for sending the bishop of Canterbury's letters to Thenett, for preparing the country according to the King's command, and for sending other letters to divers people and places.

Reparation of ship bridges, 7*s.* 11*d.*

Charges of Mr. Mayor and his brethren for riding about the town's "besoignes." To Mr. Warren, for riding to Canterbury to speak with the King's commissioners for the subsidy, 18th Oct. To the town clerk, riding to Canterbury to speak to Baron Halys on the town "besoignes," and riding to Feversham for their help to the charges of the "burges" of Parliament, and other similar expences.

18 March and 12 May. Rewards to a messenger for bringing an order from the castle that the mayor and jurates grant no passports, and to other messengers.

Parcels laid out by us at the Parliament :—To the clerk of the Crown, 4*s.* To the sergeant for making our places, 4*s.* Penning and making our proviso, every town, 9*s.*; to the King's attorney for furthering of the same to the King, every town, 8*s.* For the clerk of the Parliament's dinner, every town, 5*s.* Our wages for 39 days, at 4*s.* the day, 7*l.* 16*s.* = 9*l.* 7*s.*

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Egerton MS. 2,092, f. 24. B. M.

"The shift of the ferry box for one quarter ended at Midsummer, chested among these ships following, 3 July 17 Hen. VIII." :—

The *Barbara*, 3*l.* The *Marye Roose*, 3*l.* The *Gabryell*, 2*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* The *Mary and John*, the *Anne Fortune*, the *Litel Jamys*, and the *John Evangelist*, 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* each ;—the whole of which sums have not been received.

For the same ships, in the hands of the masters for several voyages, 12*l.* 7*s.* 5*d.*

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91. DOVER.

Egerton MS. 2,092, f. 303. B. M.

Accounts of Richard Marshall, Ralph Duffkyn, Thomas Myddelton, and Kenelm Colley, wardens of the town and port of Dover, from the Nativity of the Virgin, 16 Hen. VIII., for one year. John Broke, mayor.

Receipts for cyse of wine, murage money, market money, the "pounder for bregges," bullocks and horses, coal carts, fines for frays and disobedience to the mayor's proclamations.

From Valantyne Petytt of Thenett, for striking Thomas Lyncoln, deputy to Mr. Dyar, mayor, 40*s.*; of which 21*s.* 8*d.* was remitted by request of divers gentlemen. Poundgelt from merchant strangers; cods; herring and mackerel fare; 12*d.* in the 1*l.* from "shippes passengers;" from artificers for setting up shops; the cess made toward the present for the Lord Warden at the court of Shepwey, by the bench, the commoners, and inhabitants; contributions of "our lymmes;" maltott of aliens and foreigners; the ferme of the shop under the court hall of Humfrey Mylles; and the town rent by South Broke and East Broke, 66*l.* 8*s.* 3½*d.*

Whereof the wardens ask allowance for the following expences:—For a supper, wine, ale, and beer at Mr. Mayor's election, 16*s.* 1*d.* To the town clerk of Romney, for bearing the report to the west ports of two guestlyngs held at Dover, 16*d.* To the prior of Dover, for rent of the court hall, 4*s.* Mr. Mayor's torches at Christmas, 10*s.* Expences at the first general broderyeld, 42*s.* 10*d.* Fagots to make a fire at Bredon stone to warn Thos. Barbour when the French ships of war were in the Narrow Seas, 1*d.* Present for the Lord Warden, Sir Edw. Guldeford, at the taking of his oath, 20 June, 14*l.* Our portion at a rich dinner given to officers at the castle of Saltwod. A bell rope for St. Martin's church, 16*d.* Sending a trendyll to St. Thomas' Shrine, Canterbury, made by Mrs. Mayor, with her gathering of the devotion of people, 2*s.* To the town clerk, a year's wages, 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; and for ink and paper, 2*s.* To the town sergeant, for his wages, 26*s.* 8*d.*; and for gathering murage, 5*s.* To the sexton of St. Martin's, for keeping the clock, 20*s.* To the common wait, for his year's wages, 20*s.* For a proclamation of truce, 2*d.* A dinner for Mr. old Mayor and Mr. new Mayor upon the court day, 4*s.* 4*d.* Wine and other pleasures given to the Lord Warden and other noblemen, 30*s.* 1½*d.* To the King's minstrels and the Lord Warden's minstrels, 4*s.* 4*d.*

Total, 66*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.*

Debts due to the town:—The contribution and forfeit of Margate and St. John's, in Thanet, 53*s.* 4*d.*, unpaid cess money, fines and poundgelt. Total, 9*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*

Debt owed by the town to the master of the Mesondue for the rent of Swynfeld, 4*l.* 6*s.* 11*d.*

[18 Hen. VIII. End of the account for 17 Hen. VIII.]

Debts owed by the town:—To the master of the Mesondue, 3*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* To Wm. Fyneas, for piles, 2*s.* 8*d.*

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Account of John Stuard, Thos. Brome, and Wm. Lewes, wardens of the town and port of Dover, from the Nativity of the Virgin 18 Hen. VIII., for one year. Richard Conche, mayor.

Receipts, 45*l.* 6*s.* 11*d.*

Expences :—A horn-blowing at the account day, 2*d.* Making clean the market-place, 4*d.* Broderyelds held at Hithe and Romeney. Courts of Shipway. Wine given to Mr. Mayor and his brethren, the master of the Mesondue, and other officers, at four principal feasts in the year, 19*s.* Spent upon the men of Folston, the deputies of Margate, St. Peter's, Byrchyngton, and King's Down, when they paid their contribution, 18*d.* Spent every Saturday after the making of the accounts in the Hall, after the old custom, 8*s.* 8*d.* Making the cage and pillory, and other repairs, 59*s.* 10*d.* A dinner to Mr. Copuldyke, to be good friend to the town, to ease us that we were not much charged to find soldiers, 4*s.* 8*d.* A doublet and hose to a soldier who should have gone over with our warden, 4*s.* 2*d.* Sending our warden's letters to the mayor of Rye, to obtain his favor that we should not be much charged with soldiers to go over with him, 3*s.* 4*d.* Bringing 20 precepts from the castle to Mr. Mayor, and his brethern, 13*s.* 4*d.* Sending to London with the King's loan money, to Calais to our warden, to Canterbury to the King's commissioners, to Fordwyche, and to our limbs, 5*l.* 19*s.* 11*d.* Horses to Canterbury for Mr. Nethersole, burgess of the Parliament, 12*d.*; part of his wages, 43*s.* 4*d.* To Wm. Lewes, to wait upon the mayor as a sergeant at the transporting of the King's army to Calais, 5*s.*; and many other items. (*Imperfect.*)

f. 310. Sums paid for dragging, for wattles and piles for the pier, and other expences, and list of sums put into the ferry box, 24 Sept. to 18 Feb.

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92. Dover.

Egerton MS. 2,092, f. 540. B. M. Receipts of two parts of half passage for the Wyke of Dover, by Robt. Fluce, mayor, by John Francis, his substitute, from the Sunday after the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lady, 21 Hen. VIII., for one year.

From 29 Sept. to 5 June, 6*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.*

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Ibid. f. 541. 2. Receipts of dues for bullocks and horses, the former ½*d.* each, and the latter 2*d.*, from 9 Aug. to 7 Sept., 5*s.* 7*d.*

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93. Warham to Wolsey.

Received on 20 Oct. Wolsey's letters, dated St. Alban's, 3rd, showing that Richard Awnsham claims 100*l.* due by the Archbishop to his grandmother, Joan Tilney. The truth is, he discharged the debt by paying a benevolence for her, which had been promised by her deceased husband, an alderman of London, to Henry VII., as doctor Lupton can depose; but her son, John Tilney, pretended that he had lost Warham's bill;—which, however, was craftily obtained at the time of his death by Thomas Awnsham, the said Richard's father. If Warham were to pay it now to the said Richard, his grandfather will still stand bound for the benevolence to Henry VII.'s executors. This is a matter of 22 years old. Trusts Wolsey will not impute to him so little conscience as to stand indebted so long. The widow often asked Warham to obtain for her the King's pardon for the life and goods of Thomas Awnsham, the complainant's father, who was then beyond sea, in service with Edmund De la Pole. This the Archbishop did, and obtained for him an office in the Tower of London, after he came to England. Wolsey knows how he has conducted himself therein. He also gave John Tilney

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the office of apparitorship in London, for which he might have had 40*l.* from one Smyth. The complainer's grandfather would have disinherited his father for taking part with Edmund De la Pole, but for the persuasion of Warham and Sir Thomas Frowicke. Thanks Wolsey for promising to the King to see this matter well ordered on the Archbishop's behalf. Otford, 21 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add.:* "To my lord cardinal of York, legate a latere."

21 Oct. Camb. MS. 1,044, f. 38.

94. WOLSEY to LEE.

Has written to him on the King's affairs. Has written to the Emperor to give Lee credence, as, at the last coming of Ichingham, letters had been brought to Wolsey from the Emperor, thanking him for his good mind, and asking Wolsey's advice in his present affairs. Sends a copy of the letter. He is to tell the Emperor that he hopes his (Wolsey's) acts will contradict the report that he had declined from his accustomed observance, and that he never intended to change from that loving fashion the Emperor saw in him at Bruges. If at any time, in conference with his ambassadors, Wolsey said anything that might be taken in a different sense than he meant it, the fault was only in the plainness of the advice without dissimulation. Wolsey's advice will be seen by the King's letters, of which "the whole pain in the order of penning and compass" has been Wolsey's. He begs on his knees that the Emperor will moderate his appetite and establish peace, preferring God's cause to his own. This will be his highest honor. Westminster, 21 Oct. *Signed.*

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21 Oct. Camb. MS. 1,044, f. 29.

95. WOLSEY to [LEE].

The King has received Lee's letters, dated Granado, the 7th, and others of September, with an answer in French from the Emperor to the King's last, by the hands of Osborn Ichingham. The King has also seen Lee's letters to Wolsey. In the packet was a letter for Mendoza, who has not yet arrived, being detained in France, although the King has written for his delivery. He has ordered a packet to be sent to the provost of Cassalys, residing here as ambassador for the lady Margaret. The provost has sent a letter of the Emperor's, thanking the King for his message, professing his amity, his desire for peace, arrangement with Francis, withdrawal of his army from Italy, and payment of the King's debts. The King and Wolsey have also seen copies of a brief sent from the Pope to the Emperor, his answer, and the offers made by Francis to the viceroy of Naples for the recovery of his children, the importance of which induces him to send this messenger. First, he is to thank the Emperor for his kind professions, in which the King will not fail to support him, from his desire for peace and resisting the Turk, who has defeated the king of Hungary; especially as, unless the Turk be resisted by Christian princes, of whom the Emperor is the chief, he will overrun Christendom, and the Faith will be destroyed. The most speedy conclusion is indispensable before the Turks penetrate into Germany. He is thankful, therefore, that the Emperor will accept his mediation. Lee is to urge him to make good his professions by deeds, and moderate his demands, as doubtless the French king will make the utmost concessions. Is to urge that a diet is impossible, in consequence of the winter and other causes, and the King's mediation will be sufficient, for he has written to Francis, the Pope, and the Venetians to send their instructions to England, and he begs the Emperor will do the same, considering the urgency of the case. Is to commend the Emperor for his offer to lay down

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his arms in Italy if the confederates will do the same; which they decline, as they see that he increases his armies, and has sent the viceroy of Naples with a great power, and keeps the duke of Milan out of possession.

The King is advertised of the heinous attempts of Moncada and the Colonnese against the Pope, to which he trusts the Emperor gave no consent. If the circumstances were as reported to the King, "there hath not been by the Vandals, Goths, or any other most cruel persons, so great a thing attempted; which is much the more to be detested, for that, as it is said, they spared not from despoiling of the church of St. Peter, and of other temples." His Grace and I have done all we can to excuse this deed, considering it impossible. If reasonable conformity be used on all sides, the King trusts that an accommodation will be possible. If this be done, the Emperor may proceed to take the crown Imperial without suspicion. When the King has heard Mendosa's charge touching his debts, the Emperor will find him conformable to reason. Westm., 21 Oct. *Signed.*

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31 Oct.
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96. MAGNUS to the ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S, YORK.

Request him to deliver to George Lawson 600*l.* for the half year's wages of the garrison at Berwick, due on the 16th August last. Sheriff-hutton, 31 Oct. 18 Hen. VIII.

25 Nov.
Acts of Parl. of Sc. II. 308.

97. The PARLIAMENT OF SCOTLAND.

Edinburgh, 12 Nov. 1526.

15 Nov. Lords of the Articles chosen.

17 Nov. Cuthbert earl of Glencairn asked documents, that my lord of Arran declared if the earl of Eglinton would not make friends with Glencairn, he should have no countenance from Arran in time to come.

The King ratifies the Acts in favor of John Maxwell against Andrew Dury, touching the abbacy of Melrose.

The King confirms a grant made on the 17th July 1526 to Joachim Hechscatter (Hochstetter), Quintin de Lawitz, and others, of all the mines in the kingdom, for forty-three years.

21 Nov. A petition having been put in by Archibald earl of Angus, James earl of Arran, James earl of Mortoun, Robert lord Maxwell, George lord Hume, Archibald master of Eglinton, George Douglas, brother of the earl of Angus, Archibald Angus, provost of Edinburgh, his uncle Sir James Hamilton, of Fynnart, and others, stating that while they were waiting on the King's person, the —— day of —— last, to convoy him to Edinburgh, an attempt was made by Sir Walter Scott, of Branxhame, with a multitude of broken men, to take the King out of their hands; in resisting whom Andrew Ker of Cesford, and others, were slain; after which, another like attempt was made by John earl of Lennox, who was killed by the others in defence of the King's person;—it is declared that the petitioners had conducted themselves loyally, and deserved great honor and thanks.

17 Nov. The Lords of the Articles declare the acts made by Robert Bertoun of Overbertoun, and his sureties to the Queen, touching the deliverance of the earl of Huntley, to be cancelled, with the Queen's consent, as having been fulfilled.

24 Nov. Galter, abbot of Glenluce, asked documents that the Lords "be sentense interlocutor decernit that our sovereign Lord, nor nane others, should stop the said Abbot in his passage to Rome," upon his appeal against the bishop of Galaway.

25 Nov. Gilbert earl of Cassillis discharged of a summons of treason, for having made leagues with John late earl of Lennox at Stirling.

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27 Nov. **98.** SIR ADRIAN FORTESCUE.

R. O. Sums received by Sir Adrian Fortescue from his bailiffs and rent gatherers, of his rents due at Lady Day, 17 Hen. VIII., and Michaelmas, 18 Hen. VIII.

Stonor, Watcombe, and Beneschevys. From Wm. Thomas, in March and April, 21*l.* From Simon Waldock, 4*s.* From Wm. Thomas, from 27 Sept. to 27 Nov., 43*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*

Sottewells. Received of Ric. Brokham, 17*l.* 11*s.* 9½*d.* Borrowed of him, 15*l.* Delivered by him to Ric. Ford, 28 Oct. 18 Hen. VIII., 40*s.*

Bradeston and Fynchecomb. Received of John Haywood, 35*l.* 15*s.* 0½*d.* Borrowed of him, 10*l.* Gave 15*s.* 0½*d.* to Hayward for riding into Gloucestershire this summer.

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Dec. **99.** [ACCOUNTS OF THOMAS LORD ROCHFORD.]

R. O. "Sir Harry's booke, both of receytes, paymentes, and expenses in November and December, anno xviij. regis Henrici VIII."

"Received for the use of my lord my master:"—of Ric. Crymbyll, bailly of Rocheford, 160*l.*; 16 Nov., of my lord Morley's servant, 33*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; of John Whytley, bailly of Fulburne and Swassay and Howytlon (?) Melby, 119*l.* 0*s.* 9*d.*

Payments, among others, to Guthlac Overton, one of the auditors of the subsidy, 40*l.* To Sir Wm. Tylar, 22*l.* 10*s.* To Thos. Collett, my lady Schelton's servant, 5*l.* To Thos. Jeffrey, going to Warwick at my Lord's command, 20*s.* To my Lord my master, on St. Edmund's Day, for crowns, 6*l.* 15*s.* To William Boleyn, at my Lord's command, 21 Nov., 25*s.* To my Lady my mistress, 31*s.* 3*d.* "To Broune, of the Three Cranes, for one tun of Gascon wine, whereof three hogsheads (?) to Hever, and one [to] the old duchess of Norfolk, 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Item, for the lading to the porters, 16*d.* Item, for sponyng of tham, 4*d.* Item, for the tolage of the bryge for a schoyd carte, 4*d.* Item, for the carriage to Hever, 10*s.*" To Mane, the painter, for making the pattern of your seal of arms, 3*s.* 4*d.* To Thomas Sampye, postmaster of the free chapel of Marssyde, 13*s.* 4*d.* 3 Dec., to Master Baly's servant, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* "Item, sent your Lordship, by George Taylor, to Greenwich, 30 crowns, 6*l.* 15*s.*" Paid to Sir Harry, 60 cr., 13*l.* 10*s.* For Mrs. Anne's (Anne Boleyn's) bill, 3*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* "For my costs to Wendesor, whan your Lordeshipe sende me to Maister Perssey, and to se jong Trombyll at Etton, for myselffe and horsse hyre three days, 8*s.* 3*d.* "For a spear of gold for your Lordship's George," 12*d.*

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R. O. 2. Account of 20*l.* received of Sir Harry.

To Cornelyus, the King's goldsmith, 4*l.* Put into the bag, to make up 100 marks, 44*s.* 6*d.* For furring my Lady my mother's gown, 9*s.* 8*d.* For 2¾ yds. black satin "for a doublet for me," 20*s.* To my "broderar," 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* For my servants' lodgings and expences since last week, 65*s.* For our costs the day of my departing, 44*s.* 4*d.*, &c.

P. 1. *In lord Rochford's own hand.*

R. O. 3. "For my lord of Rocheford."

For 22 horses for hay and litter, at 2*d.* per horse, day and night, 3*s.* 8*d.*; for their provender, 3*s.* 8*d.* For a horse of Mr. Calleybot's, 4*d.* For your horsekeepers (for eight) when they came in for meat and drink, 8*d.*; for their supper, 16*d.* "For their drink afore night, and for fire and for drink this morning," 8*d.*

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100. ST. NICHOLAS, WAKERING.

Grant by Dr. William Alger, provincial of the Order of the Friars Eremites of St. Augustine's in England, to the guardians and masters of the Guild or Confraternity of St. John, in the parish church of St. Nicholas de Walkering, in the diocese of London, of plenary indulgence and absolution. Form of absolution.

Broadside in possession of the Society of Antiquaries.

101. [A KNIGHT OF ST. JOHN'S to WOLSEY.]*

Tit.B.VII. 280. B. M.

"Rme ac Illme D. etc."

On visiting the King and your Lordship, I found you, as I had expected, anxious to promote the service of God, peace in Christendom, and an expedition for the recovery of the Holy Sepulchre, considering that the power of the Turk is increasing so rapidly that it may be impossible to resist it. This is evident from the case of the Sophy, who once could resist the Turk alone, but now is of no account; and by his conquests in Syria, Egypt, Belgrade, Rhodes, and Hungary, which have been taken within the last ten years (*quo nuper abhinc decemnio ab ipso Turco capta fuerunt*). These scourges for the correction of our sins have hitherto moved no one, but Christians still thirst for each other's blood, and there seems nothing to prevent universal ruin. I have, however, great hopes that by the King's aid Christendom may be united, and the banner of Christ raised again after its long burial. Your Lordship, with great kindness, has allowed me several interviews, though a man of unpolished mind and no experience; and I consider your Lordship worthy to rule the world, with God's aid, and restore and reform the Apostolic See, seeing that you have given us such wise and kind advice. The Great Master is about to return to his convent, with your favor and advice, and to send me to Spain, Portugal, and the Pope, and, if necessary, to the East, that I may keep up to their duty the men in whose hands I left the holy work. Since your Lordship declared to me, though the least of the knights of Jerusalem, the King's and your desire of making peace and attacking the Infidels, my desire to serve you makes me request you, before I leave, to enrol me in the number of your servants, and to offer my servants (*famulitium*) to the King if he prepares an army, and to obtain permission from the Great Master to return when sent for. Though least in experience and talent, I will yield to no one in good will and courage. When in the East I will have regard to the King's interests; and if our enterprise is successful, it will be a foundation for greater attempts. There are many nobles, religious men, and knights of Jerusalem, skilled in the affairs of the East, who, in return for your benefits, will serve you to the glory of God, the honor and profit of Christendom, and your own immortal fame, "sibique universus gratulabitur orbis captivorum et patriæ liberatori."

Lat., pp. 2. *Endd.:* "Rodes. Concernen' ordinem Hiërosolymitanum,† Saynt Johnes.

102. [CLERK] to MR. EDWARDS.

R. O.

Ought to have answered his letters before, but is so busy when a courier is despatched that he forgets him. Asks him to send word how Wolsey takes what he sends by this courier. He can give his letter to the Pope's ambassador, who will send it safely.

P. 1, *cipher deciphered.*

* The writer is probably an Italian, as he writes *con* for *cum*, and single letters when the Latin has double.

† In Vannes' hand.

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103. EDWARD FETYPLACE to CROMWELL.

Has received his letter reproaching him with having broken his promise about certain arrears of 10*l.*, other 10*l.* for the parsonage of Chadellworth, and 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for the site of the late monastery of Poffeley. Reminds him of his promise at the suppression of that house, and also at Donyngton, about the parsonage and the lease and closes of the monastery. on the faith of which promise Fetyplace paid him 40*s.*, though Cromwell has since granted the lease to another man. Was ready to have paid Cromwell his duty several times, both by his servant and by Mr. Smythe, "your auditor." The rents were not due at Michaelmas as Cromwell alleges:—his 10*l.* arrears being paid, they will only be due at Lady Day. It is not yet two years complete since the suppression of the monastery.* Fetyplace bought of Cromwell certain implements belonging to the house, of which he left there the well-bucket and rope, and a brass pan set in the wall to brew with, "which said implements the scholars of Cardinal College have perused and worn in the time of their lying there," but the bursar refuses to pay for them. Wonders John Iden has not called on him for the rent of Poffeley since Mich. last. The parson is willing to pay the rent of the parsonage when due. John Yong must pay five nobles for last Mich. quarter for his part of the demesnes. As for the five nobles for his own share, Fetyplace's servant will arrange with Cromwell at London next week. Ewelme, 13 Jan.

Hol., pp. 3. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Mr. Cromewell.

104. [TURENNE] to [FRANCIS I.]†

MS. 20,994, f. 202. Bibl. Nat.

Gives an account, mutilated at the beginning, of a conference with [Wolsey] about the alternative of Francis giving 2,000,000 cr. to the Emperor, and marrying Madame Eleanor, or taking the princess Mary. Wolsey has been raising new difficulties since he learned that the Pope had agreed with the Emperor, and he wants to make us go through the eye of a needle, and will do so in the end.

When things are concluded, the King has determined to cross the sea, soon after Easter, and arrange with Francis the mode in which they shall make war. I must say we have to do with the most rascally beggar (*un plus mauvais paillart*) in the world, and the most devoted to his master's interests. I have only had two ciphers from you since I arrived in this country. Five or six days ago, Wolsey had agreed with us that as the Princess was not to be delivered till she was fourteen, and she is not yet twelve, to satisfy Francis, he would make an alternative marriage of Francis and the duke of Orleans, and that it should be at the King's option meanwhile to take her for himself or for his son, with various other conditions as to the delivery of the children, &c.

We replied that we had no power to treat of this; and after some further conversation he arranged that we should go on Thursday and present your letters to the King, and that on Friday we should confer with him and some notable personages about the said marriage and the peace, and that it would be advisable to conclude as soon as possible, else the ambassadors of the Pope and [Venetians], and even of the Emperor, might have some expectation that this marriage would fall through.

* Poghley was suppressed 14 Feb. 1525. See No. 1137.

† In some passages Francis is spoken of in the third person, elsewhere he is addressed "Sire."

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De Vaulx, who has been long here, and who understands the Cardinal thoroughly, recommends that you should write a letter in your own hand to the king of England, and one to Wolsey, expressing again the great desire you have for this marriage, and hoping that they will not press you to accept dishonorable conditions.

Fr., from a transcript taken from an ancient copy, pp. 6.

[March.] MS. 20,994, f. 198. Bibl. Nat.

105. TURENNE [and the BISHOP OF TARBES] to FRANCIS I.

Arrived in this town on Saturday last. Should have been here the day before, but for the Cardinal's orders, as the lords whom the King was going to send to receive us had not arrived. We were honorably received by two bishops, two knights of the Garter, and other great persons.

Yesterday we were received by the Cardinal, also with great honor, especially considering his behavior to other ambassadors. The bishop of Tarbes made him a Latin speech, to thank him for the advice he had given his master during your captivity, and to say that you considered that you owed your liberty to the King and him.

After presenting our letters, he took us into his chamber alone, where we declared our charge, thanking him for the overtures made by the bishop of Bath and —— concerning your marriage with the princess of England, and the strict alliance of the two Kings against the Emperor for the recovery of the French king's children, assuring him how much Francis desired the marriage, for which, and for the league, we had power to conclude. Wolsey thanked Francis for the confidence he reposed in him, and said he had conferred about the marriage with De Vaux several times, to bring his master to it, "qui estoit au commansement de Boulogne ou cite de Guines." Wolsey also spoke to us about the propositions that had been made by Fitzwilliam for a payment of salt, and of 50,000 cr. to England; but they replied that they had no commission except to conclude the marriage and the offensive league, and deprecated the terms proposed, as unreasonable.

Fr., from a transcript taken from an ancient copy, pp. 4.

6 April. MS. 20,994, f. 206. Bibl. Nat.

106. TURENNE to MONSIEUR [MONTMORENCY].

You may be sure we have to deal with a man as difficult to manage as can be, as you will see by what my fellows and I write to the King. Notwithstanding that he had agreed to the articles sent to Francis, and been shown our powers to conclude, he has found fault with them, and insisted on having others in a form which will be sent to you in two or three days. Thinks that the bargain made by the Pope with the Emperor has caused him to augment a certain article to his advantage, which he had already agreed upon with De Tarbes. The latter was with him yesterday very late, and they spoke both . . . . . .† for there was no witness, except De Vaux, that he had used any other language than he had held with us that morning. The dukes of Norfolk and Suffolk told me yesterday that the King their master was very desirous to see Francis, and said it was only owing to him that he did not immediately cross the sea, and arrange the form of the attack upon the Emperor, in case he would not come to honorable terms. They said nothing could exceed Henry's love for Francis, and nothing could break their friendship. I replied with similar assurances, and said that it was shown on the part of Francis by his agreeing to the articles demanded by the Cardinal, which were such that he would never otherwise have consented to. If Francis approve of the interview, thinks it will be easily brought about.

Fr., from a transcript dated at the head, "6 Avril 1526 avant Pasques," *pp.* 2.

† Sic.

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7 April. MS. 20,994, f. 208. Bibl. Nat.

107. TURENNE to [MONTMORENCY].

You will understand by the King's letters the difficulties Wolsey daily creates, so that I cannot feel assured of anything he says until the treaty be sworn and passed. Believes this is owing to the bargain made between the Pope and the Emperor. The treaty being passed, the king of England wishes to send an ambassador to the Emperor along with one sent by Francis, and Wolsey proposes that De Tarbe be sent. London, 7 April.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 2.

24 April. MS. 20,994, f. 210. Bibl. Nat.

108. TURENNE to MONTMORENCY.

Since he wrote, the king of England sent for the ambassadors to show them the ceremonies of his Order, which were most honorable. He said he had news from Rome that the Pope had not only consented to a suspension of arms, but had paid 60,000 cr. for Bourbon's army, of which he had not yet disbursed more than 30,000; the rest Jacomo Salviati was to deliver for the Florentines; and the Pope pretends that it was for the ransom of two prisoners, one of whom is his nephew. This way of putting it is in order not to displease the King and Francis. The Datary was on the point of departure for England to excuse his master for what he had done; and Henry said it was necessary to keep the Pope firm, or friar Nycomede and others would get him to go to Spain, as Bourbon, notwithstanding the suspension of arms, was marching straight upon Florence. Henry is determined to send an ambassador to dissuade him from this, and to urge him to a new league with him and Francis. He expresses himself anxious to speak with Francis, when he could tell him things that no other could tell him. Tarbes* replied that it would take a long time, and that it would be better meanwhile to inform Francis of his intentions by some confidential person like Wolsey. He agreed that it would be better the Cardinal should go first, and that afterwards he himself would go and speak with Francis. He recommends Francis to have a troop of Germans, and would prefer lance-knights to Swiss. Finds him very well inclined to the success of Francis. London, 24 April 1527.

Fr., from a transcript taken from an ancient copy, pp. 3.

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109. THOMAS LORD MONTEAGLE.

Articles of agreement between Thomas lord Monteagle, the right hon. Thomas lord [Darcy], knight, and Ric. Bank, ... of Edw. late lord Monteagle, Sir John Husse, and [Sir Alex. Ratclif], touching the lands of the said Thos. lord Monteagle during his nonage. Agreed, 2 June 19 Hen. VIII.

That he shall be free to dispose of himself in marriage [without] the consent of the said lord Darcy, Sir J. Husse, and Alex. Ratclife, &c.;—and various other articles.

Signed: Thomas Dorssett—T. Darcy—T. MtEgle—John Husey—Thomas Crumwell—Richard Clark—Edward Mountagu—Ric. Bankes.

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110. FRANCIS I. to HENRY VIII.

Cal. E. II. 5. B. M.

Writes by Henry's ambassador, who is returning. Thanks him for his present.† Has found it so perfect that it could not be more so. Commends the bearer for his conduct. He will give Henry the news.

Hol., Fr., pp. 2. *Add.*

* "Lautrec" in transcript.

† Probably that mentioned in Clerk's letter of the 10th June 1527 (No. 3169), but quite uncertain.

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13 July. **111.** SAMPSON to ROBT. FOWLAR, Treasurer of Calais.

R. O. Reminds him of his servant, in whose behalf he spoke when Fowlar was here. Fowlar assured him he should have a "room," and Sampson hopes he will remember it when the time shall chance. London, 13 July.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.*

112. TREATY OF MADRID.

MS. 2,936, f. 48. Bibl. Nat. Proposals made by the bishop of Tarbes and the president of Bourdeaux, in presence of the English ambassadors to the Emperor's council, touching the modification of the treaty of Madrid, subsequent to the Emperor's reply of 20 July 1527.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 12.

3 Aug. **113.** JOHN RUT to HENRY VIII.

Purchas' Pilgrimes, III. 809. All the company are in good health. The *Mary* of Gilford, with all her [crew, are safe,] thanks be to God. Went northward till we came to 53°, where we found many islands of ice, and dared not go further. Went southward, and in four days came into 52°, and fell in with the main land, within ten leagues of which was a great island of ice. Landed at Cape de Bas, a good harbour, with many small islands, and a great fresh river. The land is wilderness, mountains and woods, and no people. We found the tracks of divers great beasts, but saw none of them. Have not seen the *Samson* since a great storm on July 1. Had arranged to meet at the Cape de Sper, where the ship that arrived first should wait six weeks. Stayed at Cape de Bas ten days, and then sailed southward. On 3 Aug. entered the haven of St. John, where were eleven sail of Normans and one Breton, and two Portugal barks, all fishing. We are now ready to go towards Cape de Bas, which is 25 leagues, till we meet our fellow, and then whither we were commanded at our departing. The haven of St. John, 3 Aug. 1527.

A memorandum was endorsed on the original, that Master Grubes' two ships left Plymouth 10 June, and arrived at Cape de Bas 21 July, which was the first land they saw after leaving Selle.

10 Aug. **114.** ALBERT DE PRATO to WOLSEY.

Purchas' Pilgrimes, III. 809. A letter stating that he left Plymouth on June 10, and containing the same substance as the letter of John Rut, dated 3 Aug. "Apud le baya Saint Johan, in Terris Novis, 10 Aug. 1527."

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19 Aug. **115.** FRANCIS I.

MS. 2,932, f. 61. Bibl. Nat. Publication of the treaty between England and France. Amiens, 19 Aug. 1527.

Fr., from a transcript, p. 1.

30 Aug. **116.** F. DE TOURNON, Archbishop of Bourges, to [MONTMORENCY].

MS. 2,974, f. 54. Bibl. Nat. You will, doubtless, learn sooner than we the news which has come from Spain, for the bailiff Robertet has the ciphers. The Cardinal says there is no doubt we shall soon have peace and get back the children, as appears by the letters written by the Emperor. The Chancellor leaves on Sunday, and I go in his company. We shall be at Compiegne on Monday. Amiens, Friday, 30 Aug.

Fr., from a transcript, p. 1.

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1 Sept. MS. 2,974, f. 60. Bibl. Nat.

117. F. DE TOURNON, Archbishop of Bourges, to MONTMORENCY.

Arrived this evening at Compiegne, where we only expected to be tomorrow at dinner, but the Chancellor has ventured to make eight leagues at a stretch; and we arrived two hours before the cardinal of England, who, they say, is sorry to have come so early, as he had been informed the King would not be here till tomorrow. The Chancellor told him Francis would not be there till Wednesday, but Wolsey said he knew it better than he. The Chancellor has today been hurt in the foot by the kick of a hackney, which will keep him to his chamber tomorrow. Compiegne, Sunday, 1 Sept.

Fr., from a transcript, p. 1.

4 Sept. MS. 2,974, f. 64. Bibl. Nat.

118. FRANCIS DE TOURNON, Archbishop of Bourges, to MONTMORENCY.

Believes the Chancellor has reported what Wolsey said to him of his conversation with the bishop of Worcester coming from Spain. He said also that if he were informed that Francis would come hither by some secret place, he would go and meet him, but if he was coming through the town, he would not move, that he might not interfere with the ceremony that the inhabitants desired to make. Francis may, therefore, take what road he thinks fit. We lose as little time as possible, and are together night and morning.

Have examined today the accounts received in Italy. If that of Saluce be true, we owe little to the Venetians of the tenth pay. Thinks Lautrec is going on satisfactorily. Compiegne, 4 Sept.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 2.

26 Oct. Mon. Habsb. Abtheil, II. b. I. 71.

119. [SPANISH AMBASSADOR IN ENGLAND to MARGARET OF SAVOY.]

Since writing his other letter, spoke to the Cardinal to see if they wished to renew the amity, for which Margaret was to send ambassadors. Wolsey did not think the King would treat of such a matter till the peace with France had been settled, but a *carte blanche* should be given to Margaret, "assi para los de alla como para lo de aca," to be used when needful.

2 Nov. MS. 2,997, f. 36. Bibl. Nat.

120. FRANCIS I. to his AMBASSADORS IN ENGLAND.

Has received their letters of the 25th ult., telling of the departure of lord Lisle, the *Grand Ecuyer* (Sir Nicholas Carew), and the Master of the Rolls, despatched to France to convey to him the order of the king of England, at the same time as Henry is to receive his own; with which he is marvellously gratified. Has postponed on this account his intention to go hunting in Byere, and to see his building which he has begun there. Awaits the return of Villandry every hour, from whose despatch he has every hope of obtaining the deliverance of his children.

Sends important news received by Castillon, whom he had sent to Lautrec, and desires him to communicate it to the Cardinal, who will doubtless rejoice at the prosperity of Francis in Italy. Paris, 2 Nov.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 3.

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121. [THE DUKE OF FERRARA'S INSTRUCTIONS TO HIS AMBASSADOR AT VENICE.]*

You are to let these lords understand we have by one article expressly refused to be bound to do anything for the league until the French king's

* See No. 3548.

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ratification arrive, and that we have done everything to satisfy the Emperor. You are also to tell them, that, besides the things which we have been compelled to declare in the league, we are also forced to promise that our eldest born shall take for his wife the sister-in-law of the French king; which we have done with great reluctance, on account of our high respect for the Emperor. But you must explain that we were driven to it; and though the French king has been very urgent that we should send our son to France, we have sent first a gentleman to put off a little time, for fear of displeasing the Emperor.

Ital., p. 1. *Endd.:* Il en faut envoyer copie en Angleterre.

11 Nov. MS. 3,086, f. 19. Bibl. Nat.

122. HENRY VIII. to FRANCIS I.

Complimentary letter on the return of the ambassadors, the Grand Master, the bishop of Bayonne, and Jean de Brinon, Chancellor of Alençon. Greenwich, 11 Nov. 1527.

14 Nov. Colbert MS. 468, f. 547. Bibl. Nat.

123. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Owing to the want of horses and the badness of the roads between Canterbury and London, could only arrive here a little before night. Had, therefore, postponed till tomorrow going to Wolsey, but at 9 o'clock Wolsey sent me by his Italian secretary (Vannes) the despatch which you will see. The secretary tells me he is writing to the ambassadors in Spain, in accordance with your desire, as to the intimation of war, notwithstanding the new offers, and the return of one of them, in case the Emperor refuse the last proposals.

When I see him, therefore, I shall not extend my credence so far, nor to the letters of Francis and Madame, which have been all sent me by this packet. As they thought that I was still with you, and as they only brought the said packet that my servants might see if there was anything in it for me, I have opened it and shut it up again clumsily, as well as time would allow. The courier of Boulogne did not remain as I expected; so I have been obliged to send one of my men, that you might be satisfied, if possible, before crossing the sea, of all that you wished to have. Great complaints are made in Wolsey's house about some tapestry which has been lost in your lodging. The privileges of the Merchants are not yet copied. London, Thursday, 26 Nov.*

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 2.

19 Nov. Colbert MS. 468, f. 552. Bibl. Nat.

124. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Received your packet on Monday evening, and sent on that for Wolsey.

Communicated to him yesterday what I had received; which pleased him much, especially the news concerning the duke of Ferrara, &c. He was well satisfied with Castillon's despatch, and wished me to write to Francis to urge on Lautrec's enterprise. He showed me Pointz's account of his last conversation with L'Alemand, from which it was clear that it was intended to obtain a pardon for the duke of Bar through the king of England. This was shown to you the day the Order (of the Garter) was delivered.

It was added that the acceptance or refusal of these offers would depend (*estaient remises*) upon what was heard of the succours of the Archduke. I said that before an answer was given, l'Esleu Bayard would have arrived, and the final overtures would have been proposed by all the ambassadors, which might cut short the Emperor's words. He was very glad of Bayard's

* Must be a mistake in the transcript, as the 26th Nov. was a Tuesday in 1527. The real date must be the 14th. See No. 3577.

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departure, and expressed great pleasure on hearing the particulars of the reception by Francis of the Order of the Garter. Writes about the corn and other matters by Castillon, who was to leave tomorrow, but probably will not till Friday. London, 19 Nov.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 3.

22 Nov. MS. 5,499, f. 112. Bibl. Nat.

125. DU BELLAY to FRANCIS I.

Wrote to the Grand Master on the 19th, by a chaplain of Wolsey's whom Montmorency knows, telling him what Wolsey said he had heard, by information, of Pointz coming from Spain. Has nothing more to report, except that a Scotchman who was at the court when you were at Amiens, and was passing this way to go to Scotland, had made a report to the duke of Norfolk about something Wolsey had said to you regarding him. He is now returned here, and has been put in the Tower of London. Being questioned, he made a confession, which I send you in writing; in which, finding mention made of my brother, I have taken some trouble to find out about him. I find that he had been long an agent of the archbishop of St. Andrew's and others at Rome, when my brother, having returned, as you know, a little before the capture of the city, and having promised to obtain for the Pope 20,000 cr. if he would not agree with the Viceroy, procured from this Scotchman a loan, of which he returned to him 600 or 700 cr. on finding that the Pope was not to be relied on. After the capture of Rome, this Scotchman came to Amiens to get the remainder back again, which my brother paid him. Wolsey related to me on Tuesday the whole story of his confession. Being asked from whom he had heard what he stated, as he said they were great personages, he refused to commit himself further, merely saying they were many persons about the court. Wolsey said he would send the man to you, as he had offended you more than any other by bringing this charge against one of your servants. I said I thought you would be satisfied if he himself punished him. But he remained firm in his purpose, and said he would send him to me to put him in the hands of a Scotch gentleman, who was captain of the "*requeste*" of Milan. I do not know if the Legate will continue in this intention, but I wait his orders. On Wednesday a courier arrived who had left Parma on the 9th, and said that De Vaudemont had brought into the field 8,000 lanceknights, which has greatly quashed the rumor got up by the Spaniards of a reinforcement of the enemy.

He was despatched near Perugia by the king of England's secretary, who had been sent long ago to go to Rome, but had not been able to proceed further. He says the news of the defeat of the Waywode is untrue. 22 Nov.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 3.

24 Nov. MS. 5,499, f. 112. Bibl. Nat.

126. DU BELLAY to FRANCIS I.

Since I wrote, Wolsey sent to me, by one of his secretaries, the Scotchman of whom I have written above, with a message that I might do what I thought fit. I replied that I thought he himself should punish him according to his merits, and declined to take the charge of doing so, unless my Lord gave me special authority. I found the secretary rather cold in his first intention of sending him to you. This morning, as I was going to the King, he sent to me, desiring me to wait for an answer till the evening. Nevertheless I have endeavored by all means to learn from the Scotchman from whom he heard this; but he says he will not name any one, even if he were to die two deaths, but, being at the said meetings, both of Frenchmen and Englishmen, he understood those matters sufficiently, and that he had never told the duke of Norfolk the half of what they had charged him with,

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as he had declared to the Duke himself in presence of the Cardinal. Any further information about this he will send by the captain De la Rocquette. The bearer, Castillon, will tell you of another conversation (*propos*), which I had rather not write. He disavows what he had said about very great personages in his confession, but after I had told him several times that I had read it myself, he said that he did not know he had stated so, he was under such constraint.

Fr., from a transcript dated in the margin, "Londres, 24 Nov.;" *pp.* 2.

24 Nov. **127.** Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Colbert MS. 468, f. 737. Bibl. Nat.

Has written twice since he thought Castillon was ready to depart, once to solicit the despatch of the corn, and the second time by the doctor, "qui dict les heures avec Mons. le Legat," who has been despatched, as he told me, secretly, on the affairs of his master; with whom, though I have struck up a friendship, I have refrained, according to your admonition, from communicating too freely. You must not wonder, therefore, if things pass before my eyes, such as the despatch of ambassadors and so forth, of which I am not informed. There is no such danger of creating suspicion at Rome or Venice, so that your ambassadors there may appear more diligent than I am. Sends certain ciphers. Has thought over and over again of what he told Montmorency, when walking with him in the room, about Albany. There is some mystery in the matter, and care must be taken not to spoil anything. Complains of want of couriers. Is asked whether he has not received letters by the English courier who arrived on Wednesday; and they are astonished to hear that he has not. As soon as any good news comes, they are very glad to spread it abroad among the people, who assuredly do not easily get angry at our enemies, especially since their intercourse has been broken off (*depuis la retraicte de leur traicte*). Understands the King is ill pleased with them on this account, and you may be sure that Spaniards and Flemings are not slow to propagate false reports. You know that is of more consequence here than at Paris. Gentlemen from the court still occasionally get themselves conveyed to this church; still expecting to find you in your lodging, they come and see me in this place. They lose a little by the change. I expect that on the arrival of this gentleman, there will be great curiosity to enquire the news of you. But in case you have not received my letters by the Doctor, the principal subject of them was, that it was known the Emperor would condescend to pardon the duke of Bar at the request of England;—also, by the conversations held by L'Alemand with Poinctz, that he founded himself entirely upon the succours of Ferdinand, of which, if he were disappointed, he was ready to accept your offers. For this reason Wolsey wishes Lautrec to be urged vigorously on. It is said 24,000 cr. have been despatched from Flanders to Ferdinand for the lanceknights. Even if that be true, I think it will take a long time to set their men forwards, and that meanwhile much could be done in Italy, and even in Spain. I write at length to Francis of a Scotchman who had reported words about the duke of Norfolk and Wolsey. Castillon has seen a part of them, and will report to you of everything. London, 24 Nov.

Has had much trouble these six days in looking after Montmorency's plate, and, after all, that of Francis only is finished. The copy of the treaty of the Merchants will be done tomorrow.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 4.

26 Nov. **128.** Du Bellay to Francis I.

MS. 5,499, f. 113. Bibl. Nat.

Wrote by Castillon at some length about a Scotchman, whom the bearer is conveying to you. I went yesterday to ask the Cardinal what he wished me to do with him, for he had given him into my custody three days

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ago. Though he showed himself satisfied with what had been done, and wished to leave the rest to me, I refused, the more so because I feared he wished to try whether I would favor the man, either on account of his nation, or of what he said he had seen at Rome.

I said, perhaps it would be an excellent punishment for him to be sent to France, especially as Albany was at the court, who was the enemy of his master, Angus. I asked him if he would not write to you about it, but he said it would be enough for him to send him to you. He then began talking about the corn. The necessity here is very great.

Yesterday a band of people went two leagues out of the town to plunder those bringing bread to the market, and another broke open the shops, so that I was obliged to send men to defend what I had at the baker's. The people said they would take Frenchmen's bread first, as they had betrayed them.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 2.

14 Dec. Colbert MS. 468, f. 561. Bibl. Nat.

129. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Refers him to the King's letters, which are perhaps too long, because Wolsey wished to see what he wrote of his conversation.

Has not changed a word, as it gave him complete satisfaction. He gave me two articles, which you will see, to copy. When he talked about Spain, and the suspicion given to the ambassadors of the allies, he restrained himself greatly, saying that he was long ago informed of the good service done there by the bishop of Tarbes, who, by imagining himself very subtle, has put things in great danger. Replied to this, that perhaps the ambassadors took suspicion too easily; but avoided saying anything that might irritate him, and regretted that when affairs were in good train, they should be spoiled by the mistakes of servants. He then began to read, notwithstanding all my excuses, a great paper of grievances raised by the bishop of Worcester against De Tarbe, saying it was he who put forward the overture of Milan to Bouclans and Don Juan . . . . . who laughed at him, and that he had shown that Sforza being so disabled (*accidenté*), and not likely to live, it would be well to find a successor for him,—with a number of other things, of which the Imperialists have taken advantage.

Advises that a packet in cipher from Wolsey, enclosed in a larger packet for the ambassador of the duke of Bari, should not be delivered, unless it can be deciphered. Thinks Mons. De la Bourdaisiere could do it. London, 14 Dec.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 7.

14 Dec. MS. 5,499, p. 120. Bibl. Nat.

130. The BISHOP OF BAYONNE to FRANCIS I.

Was with Wolsey on Saturday at Mour, to communicate to him what Francis wrote on the 3rd; and early on Sunday morning, although the Cardinal was unwell, and was advised not to leave his bed all day, yet, out of his affection for Francis, he got up, and made Du Bellay read his despatches, then sent him to dine and to be treated like himself; nevertheless he considered all that Du Bellay had shown him, and recounted everything to him after dinner, thanking Francis for his confidence, and showing himself as warmly interested in his behalf as when the Grand Master was here.

Considering that the terms held towards De Tarbes and Calvimont at the time of this despatch from Spain were much more moderate than before, Wolsey was very hopeful for the future. He had no doubt that when l'Esleu Bayard had arrived, an honorable peace could be made. Bouclans said to Poinctz at his departure, that the Emperor would not be ungrateful to the king of England, and that he would do a great deal for him, saying even that it was apparent that he would show mercy to Sforza at Henry's request; and

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since the arrival of Poinctz, Wolsey has heard this from his own mouth. Wolsey thinks that the news received by Francis from Spain touching the reciprocal marriages, and the limitation of the duchy of Milan for life to Sforza, are entirely the inventions of the Imperialists, like so many others; for, as to the marriages, his object would be to sow suspicion between Francis and the king of England, or at least to cool their friendship. But Wolsey says his efforts will assuredly be ineffectual. Even if the marriages were more suitable in point of age, he considers it would be impolitic to listen to the proposition, seeing that it is the Emperor's object to weaken the other powers of Christendom; and it is certain, that hereafter, when peace is concluded, Francis' children restored, and the Emperor seeming as if he would subdue the world, there would still be found some one who would not bow the head to him, trusting in the support of Francis. But if it were seen that Francis had fortified himself by so many alliances, every one would lose hope of contesting the point with the common enemy. Francis would lose friends, and would only pass out of one servitude into another, and lose every means of recovering himself. You ought not, therefore, to consent to the marriage of Madame Leonore, but prefer that of the Princess.

As to the duchy of Milan and this proposal about Monseigneur d'Angoulême, Wolsey believes this stream to flow from the same fountain of Lautrec, both for the purpose of prolonging your affairs, and for getting you to commit yourself to some expression by which the Emperor may profit.

As to the alternative of getting the Duchy given to Sforza for life or for ever, although Wolsey would prefer the latter, still he would rather have the former than leave it at the disposal of the Emperor; for it would be a great object, even for the time, to deprive the Emperor of his hopes in Italy (*la commodité d'Italie*); after which, when you have recovered your children and got your affairs in better order, time may bring some other opportunity. If they make any overtures as to what should be done on the death of Sforza, your ambassadors can refer this point to be settled, after the conclusion of the peace, by the Princes themselves, who will settle more in an hour than at present could be done in a year. However, Wolsey thinks discussion of these matters unnecessary, if you do not mean to send a new despatch into Spain; for it appears the Emperor is already making himself more tractable, and at this moment things must be so advanced that a conclusion cannot but be arrived at before the arrival of the courier whom you would despatch; and if your ambassadors have any skill, they will not have been compelled to comply with the last offers. Wolsey has no doubt that Bayard has left well instructed; and if he had not been, that which he carries in writing cannot fail to be sufficient instruction for him. Nevertheless, great diligence must be used. Wolsey has considered what Francis has sent about Italy, and is very glad matters are in the state they are concerning the duke of Ferrara, whose friendship he cannot esteem too highly, and on whose account he advises that the matter of the marquis of Mantua should be followed up, so as to close up every entry to Italy against the Emperor. He is greatly disappointed, however, at Lautrec's delay, as it was a case where the loss of one day was as serious as that of a year at another time. He thinks the dissimulation of some of the confederates has been owing to that delay, and may cause the ruin of everything, as it tends to increase the suspicion of Francis' treaties with the Emperor.

He thinks this one reason why the Cardinals have not made the contribution which they were bound to make, as he knows by their own letters [they would have done so], if Lautrec had marched forward. As to the succours of your lanceknights, he thinks they ought not to have been waited for, because Lautrec, and the reinforcements with the marquis of Saluce, are far more powerful than the enemy, and are in such esteem that if he had marched quickly on, the enemy would have sent to treat with him. It is said here that Lautrec is so destitute of troops that he dare not go on, and that if he

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have any, he is temporizing in expectation of a treaty; which is the most dangerous reputation he can have. It is true the Pope did not send to him, but it may be supposed that he was so closely hemmed in by his enemies that he was unable to despatch a messenger. For these reasons Wolsey strongly advises that Lautrec should be ordered to set forward with all diligence to make up for lost time; and he hopes Francis' fleet will be able to do something at Naples. On Friday he despatched a courier, in compliance with the wishes of Francis and Madame, to urge the Pope, by means of Casale, Gambara, and Knight, not to forget any means of getting free from the hands of the Emperor, in whom he must by no means trust, but endeavor to escape either towards Lautrec or to some safe stronghold. Wolsey also had information that on the 3rd ult. Ferdinand was crowned king of Hungary, and his Queen the day following; but as there was news of a great descent of the Turk, he was going to Ramspourch (Ratisbon), where a diet was held of all the princes of Germany; and that, if the state of matters will admit of it, he will afterwards descend upon Italy; if not, he will send thither a great aid. But Wolsey thinks the affairs of Hungary will occupy him quite enough. Has heard himself of a great battle between Ferdinand and the Waywode in October, in which, although some of the troops of the latter were insubordinate, there was great loss on both sides; that the Waywode had retired into Transylvania, awaiting troops from Poland, and that Ferdinand had not been able to obtain the crown of St. Stephen for his coronation, as it was kept in a small town held by the Waywode.

On Sunday, Wolsey, having held all this discourse with me, told me I should return next day with the minute of the letters I was writing to you. This I did; and, having read them twice, he approved of them, then delivered them to me to add two articles, one taken from the letter of Casale, the other from those of Mons. de Vuyenne (*qu.* bishop of Worcester ?), that by the first you may see the news from Italy, and by the other that you may know "la fantaisie qu'il luy print soudain, que luy leuz vos lettres de traines de l'Empereur n'avoir esté mauvaises;" repeating still more warmly the assurances and advice of the day preceding.

On returning yesterday lord Lisle came to see me, excusing himself for not having more frequently visited me, and related at great length many conversations which you and Madame had held with him, the greater part of which he had reported to the King and Cardinal; and you may be sure that what you have said about the Cardinal has done much to confirm him in his good will. The ambassadors of Venice, Ferrara, and Milan have also been with me frequently, and have not been able to avoid expressing their suspicions, from what they have heard from Spain, as the Grand Master and others may have seen. They fear much the Pope's deliverance will put things back where they were. Hears that the king of Portugal has sold the Spiceries at the miserable price of 300,000 cr.

When the King was at Hampton Court did not speak to Wolsey to communicate to him what you sent me, but always waited to see what he would say. At my departure he requested me to leave all my papers, which he would send to the King.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 15.

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MS. 5,499, p. 156. Bibl. Nat.

131. Montmorency to the Bishop of Bayonne.

Has received his letter of the 15th inst. Thanks him for his cordiality. Has read it word for word to Francis and "Madame vostre bonne mere," who have been delighted with the contents, and have bid me express their thanks for your loyal affection, and beg you to continue, as they wish above all things to have your advice. Would be glad of occasional directions himself as to what Du Bellay thinks advisable, and he may be sure Mont-

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morency will use such efforts to preserve the amity as he would to obtain Paradise. As to Lautrec's delay at Parma, it has not been without cause, nor without the Pope's concurrence, as Du Bellay may see by the brief Lautrec lately received from his Holiness, which was sent by command of Francis to the bishop of Bayonne and De Brosse, to communicate to the king of England. During the Pope's imprisonment, Lautrec had feigned to make an earlier advance than he did. The final determination of the enemy was, in order to keep the Pope's person with less expence, to bring him "des dites gayettes" (qu. *to* Gaeta ?), and if that had taken place his deliverance would not have followed so soon. This the Pope himself acknowledges, and considers that he owes his liberty to the two Kings, and to the fear in which the enemy stood of Lautrec's army. Lautrec will certainly not lose time, as he has lately written to Francis, and will wait for nothing but an answer to the message sent to his Holiness by Paul Camille de Trevolse and Gregory Casale, for it is necessary that he should be governed by the Pope's opinion, especially now that he is at liberty. Care has been taken that Lautrec shall not be in want of money.

Lautrec has lately intimated to Francis that the Pope is about to despatch Gambara to him, with instructions to go on to England. Has heard nothing from Spain since the arrival of l'Esleu Bayard. St. Germain-en-Laye, 31 Dec. 1527.

Fr., from a transcript, pp. 5.

132. HENRY VIII. to the ABBOT or PRIOR OF ———.

R. O. Desires him to present Adam Cayrus to the parish church of Wynandermer, on the nomination of Sir Wm. Parr, who holds the lordship during the nonage of Wm., son of the late Sir Thos. Parr, to whom it was let by patent of 1 March 4 Hen.VIII. Has granted the reversion to Hen. duke of Richmond and Somerset.

Draft, p. 1. *Endd.*

133. [WOLSEY] to HENRY and ROB. DAKERS.

R. O. To a request that he would resign the reversionary interest he had obtained from the mayor and aldermen of London for his son Robert, in the office of one of the secretaries of the Compter, now held by Giles Claybroke, Hen. Dakers lately sent answer by Thos. Cromwell that his son had no land or office to live on. Having now advanced Rob. Dakers at the suit of Dr. Tailler, his uncle, to the office of clerk of assize, desires him to resign his interest in the other office to Will. Marshall, clerk to Sir Ric. Broke, chief baron of the Exchequer, for whom Sir Thos. More and Mr. Elyott have made intercession. He may take of Marshall 20*l.*, which he paid to Cleybroke, and 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for his trouble in obtaining the office. At ——,* the ——* day of ——.*

P. 1. *On the back is the beginning of a letter to Cromwell on the above subject.*

134. WILL. KYNG to CROMWELL.†

R. O. Mrs. Abell has brought him a bill, from Cromwell, as she says, dated London, 5 Dec., by which she puts him in fear that he shall forego his land, "that I took up at yor laute cortte." Is satisfied the bill is not in Cromwell's hand. Has begun to plough the land, and put in his cattle, but she has sent men and brought them out again. Is he to go on with this tilth, for now is the time of year ? The rest of his fine is ready.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Thomas Crumwell.

* Blanks. † See No. 2,028, and p. 987.

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2 Jan. **135.** The BISHOP OF BAYONNE to MONTMORENCY.

Colbert MS. 468, p. 157. Bibl. Nat.

Can add little to the King's letters, except to beg him to despatch this courier immediately. Has no doubt he has received his despatch of the —— ult. in cipher, in which he gave him assurance of the things of which he was in doubt. It has been necessary for De Brosse to remain during this procuration. He has acquitted himself so well that the King and Wolsey have desired to retain him. When any one goes hence, you will please to consider what Francis shall give the herald and other officers of the Order, for they ought to have presents at this installation. Does not write on his own behalf, knowing by letters of La Pommeraye that Montmorency has done more for him than he would have dared to ask. But if they do not provide promptly for this matter about the Order, and if he have to borrow, knows well he will wait long to have news of it again. Has spent since Montmorency's departure more than 1,000 cr., with the utmost possible economy. It is a great trouble to have to do with poor folks. London, 2 Jan.

Fr., pp. 2, from a transcript.

3 Jan. **136.** FRANCIS I. to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

MS. 5,499, f. 158. Bibl. Nat.

Has received his long letter of the 31st ult. Thanks the Cardinal for his friendly counsel about the news from Spain and the enterprise in Italy. As to the reciprocal marriages proposed to his ambassadors in Spain, sees so great force in the Cardinal's opinion, that, even if he were at all inclined to them, Wolsey's arguments so completely dissuade him from it, that he will hold out no encouragement to the Imperialists. Is firmly determined not to make any closer alliance with the Emperor than that for which their ambassadors have received powers for the delivery of his children. Holds his alliance with England indissoluble. The ages of the parties will be a convenient excuse for refusing the proposed marriages, of which he has no doubt his ambassadors have already availed themselves. As to Milan, his ambassadors will need to have regard to Wolsey's advice. L'Esleu Bayard has gone so well instructed in that and other things that Francis trusts there will be no mistake. Is much of Wolsey's opinion about the enterprise of Italy, that, notwithstanding the Pope's liberation, it should be pushed forward more vigorously than ever. Has written to Lautrec accordingly by express courier, and has despatched today one of his valets-de-chambre to press him still further; which he is sure he will do, notwithstanding any treaty made by the Pope and the Imperialists. Has no doubt the Pope will avenge himself, by the army of Francis, for the injuries done to the Holy See.

Begs to be informed about Wolsey's health. St. Germain-en-Laye, 3 Jan.

Fr., pp. 5, from a transcript.

4 Jan. **137.** HENRY VIII. to FRANCIS I.

MS. 3,007, f. 7. Bibl. Nat.

Thanks him for a present of hawks, sent by the bearer. Greenwich, 4 Jan. 1527.

Fr., p. 1, from a transcript.

138. HENRY VIII. to MONTMORENCY.

MS. 2,915, f. 41. Bibl. Nat.

To the same effect, and of the same date.

Fr., p. 1, from a transcript.

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5 Jan. **139.** MONTMORENCY to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

MS. 5,499, p. 153. Bibl. Nat.

Since writing his other letters, Francis has received a post from Lautrec, announcing the arrival of Gambara, who is coming hither to go on to England, taking with him the treaties between the Pope and the Imperialists, which Francis is anxious to send to his ambassadors in Spain as soon as possible, to inform them of the Pope's liberation. Is desired meanwhile to send him another copy (*double*), which he can show to the King and Wolsey, that they may see the dishonorable demands to which the Imperialists have forced his Holiness to submit. Is to request them to do the like to their ambassadors in Spain, as Francis intends to do to his, so that by good means copies may be sent to the grandees of Spain, that they may see what has taken place; for, unquestionably, the Emperor will publish quite another version of the story. Has spoken to Francis about the son of lord Lisle's servant, who shot a Fleming at Rochelle, and Francis has pardoned him very willingly.

Assures him that if all the English had killed all the Flemings in like fashion, they would not have much difficulty in getting their pardons. St. Germain, 5 Jan.

Fr., pp. 3, *from a transcript.*

9 Jan. **140.** The BISHOP OF BAYONNE and DE BROSSE to FRANCIS I.

MS. 5,499, p. 41. Bibl. Nat.

On Sunday last were with the Legate at St. Paul's, in the company of all the ambassadors, who were summoned to attend. A procession was made, and solemn service performed by the bishop of London, at which a great number of prelates assisted, in honor of the Pope's deliverance. Next day, which was Twelfth Day, we were all at his lodging, where again a procession and honorable service was held, followed by a triumphal banquet, and farces played in Latin, in which the praises of the two Kings were not forgotten, nor Wolsey's either, in relation to the Pope's deliverance, and the hope of peace. After the Imperial ambassador had left, Wolsey desired those of the confederates not only to persevere in their good intentions, but even to increase their efforts. Among others, he addressed to the Venetian ambassador many remonstrances about what had occurred to Lautrec, and the little trouble that the Signory had taken in the matter; to which the ambassador replied that the Signory had done better than he supposed. Every one departed in good humour with Wolsey, especially Du Bellay, with whom he spoke at great length of the determination of Henry and himself to bring the Emperor to reason.

This day and the day preceding he gave the chief place to the Imperial ambassador, which I yielded to readily, as it came from him, though I remember it was said of the late Mons. de la Bastie that he never would go where he was compelled to accept such a position, and that he had received command to that effect from you.

Fr., pp. 3, *from a transcript dated in the margin at the head:* "Londres, 9 Jan."

9 Jan. **141.** MONTMORENCY to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

MS. 5,499, f. 154. Bibl. Nat.

Has been ordered by Francis and Madame to send him a despatch from Spain about the arrival of l'Esleu Bayard with the Emperor. Since he came our ambassadors have altered their conduct towards those of England, which Francis wishes to intimate to Henry and Wolsey, hoping that the past error will be redressed. Francis and Madame are much pleased with the great efforts made by Mons. de Bigonone (Wigorn., *i. e.* bishop of Worcester ?) for the recovery of his children. Hopes shortly to have an answer to Bayard's commission. Francis has despatched Mons. de Longueval,

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his *maitre d'hôtel*, to the Pope, to congratulate him on his deliverance. He is in good health, and proposes in a few days to make a sally, and come and see me in Chantilly.

I have already written that the Pope is about to send hither Gambara to go to England. According to Castillon, who has just come thence, he may speak rather coldly. You had better warn Wolsey in that case to let him see that he is dissatisfied, that the Pope will not enter further into the league than he did before his captivity. St. Germain-en-Laye, 9 Jan.

Fr., pp. 3, *from a transcript.*

13 Jan. Colbert MS. 469, p. 24. Bibl. Nat.

142. BISHOP OF BAYONNE to MONTMORENCY.

Sends news by the seigneur Latin, who has long been a devoted servant of Francis, and is going on to the Pope and Cardinals. Received his packet on Friday, and sent it on to Wolsey, who has been incredibly delighted with the letters of Francis and Montmorency. On Saturday Du Bellay and De Brosse had an audience of him. Yesterday he was with the King, and today he has just sent for Du Bellay. Will write at length after his interview. De Brosse will not accompany him to Wolsey, because his leg is re-opened. London, 13 Jan.

Reminds him of what he lately wrote about the galleys. The King was going to the country tomorrow for a long time, but has stopped until De Brosse is despatched.

Fr., pp. 2, *from a transcript.*

20 Jan. MS. 5,499, p. 24. Bibl. Nat.

143. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

You will see by the King's letters why it is that we have not made an earlier answer to your last of the 5th. Those of the 9th only arrived yesterday. De Brosse's leg has broken out again, and Du Bellay's catarrh has been very troublesome for six weeks. Whatever ground he gains in eight days, he loses in one, when he is forced to leave his room. Has plenty of fellow-sufferers, for great part of London is suffering from it. If he had not brought a physician from France, at this hour his benefices [would have been vacant], because the English do not understand medicine. Has often wished, if it had cost him his breviary, that Francis and Montmorency had written such letters as the two last. You cannot conceive what satisfaction they have given the King and Wolsey. Can say nothing more about the procuration for merchandise, he has written so frequently without having an answer. Reports a conversation with Wolsey about Gambara, and about sending Sir Gregory Casale to the duke of Ferrara. Wolsey is not satisfied with the capitulation of Ferrara, each of the allies being bound to support the Duke in what he has acquired, and thinks that the matter should be looked to without consulting the Duke. He also thinks we should be cautious, in dealing with the Florentines, not to alienate the Pope. As to the apprehended coolness of Gambara, he says he will warm him up. Recommends negociations with Nicholas, a Florentine merchant, who promises to get munitions of war out of Flanders in case of need. Sends a letter of Staphyleus, who may have been at Paris at the time Du Bellay received it. Thinks Staphyleus and the count de Carpi have but one will. De Brosse and I have used every endeavor to get Wolsey to approve this appointment with Ferrara, but to no purpose.

Has intelligence that the Waywode is assembling a large army to recover what he has lost, and that Ferdinand has much difficulty in opposing him. We have received the procuration for De Brosse.

Fr., pp. 7, *from a transcript dated in the margin at the head:* "Londres, 20 Janvier."

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MS. 5,409, p. 41. Bibl. Nat.

144. Du Bellay and De Brosse to Francis I.

It is eight days since he received Francis' despatch of the 5th, containing the capitulations of the Pope with the Imperialists. Sent it on to Wolsey, with the letters of Francis and the Grand Master, knowing that they would suit his purpose admirably. Were with him by appointment next day after dinner, and did all they could to incline him towards Francis' purpose with regard to the two principal points, viz., the ratification by the Pope of the treaty of Ferrara, and the publication to be made of the articles delivered to the Pope by the Imperialists. Next day Wolsey visited the King upon the subject. Have since been twice with him, besides sending to him several times, and have urged him to make a good despatch to the English ambassadors in Spain and with the Pope, which he had admitted to be desirable. Nevertheless, it has been necessary to delay, on account of the length of the despatch, especially as, being made in English, he wished it translated into Latin, and several copies made. He is sending one to the English ambassador in France to show to Francis, and has given like instructions to those of the Emperor and the Pope; the latter of whom is to show it to the Cardinals, so as to show clearly to all Christendom the great union which exists between the two Kings. Wolsey's opinion of the two articles above-mentioned will be reported by the said ambassador. Wolsey is in great fear the Pope has made some secret treaty with the Imperialists, by which he may withdraw into the bosom (*au soin*, qu. *sein?*) of the Emperor, if he be not received on your side to his pleasure; for which reason it is needful to deal cautiously with him, especially about Florence and Ferrara. Afterwards he may be roundly asked, and by Lautrec rather than any other, what course he intends to take. Wolsey thinks also that by skilful management, neither the Florentines nor the duke of Ferrara should be lost; for, besides that they will see Lautrec's forces too near them, they are always pleading compulsion (*la main garnie*).

On Wednesday we were again several times with him, when we communicated your despatch of the 6th, with the procuration for Brosse, with which he was even more delighted than before, thanking you most humbly (*jusques au pieds et genoulx de vostre maistre*). Assuredly such despatches must tend to strengthen the friendship. He was very glad you were satisfied with the proceedings of the bishop of Worcester (*Mons. de Vuiyerne*), but regretted that the opinion of Bayard was so short, and contained no judgment about things to come. Explained this as due to the fact that the courier was not ours; and although the opinion was in cipher, there was danger of the letters being intercepted, and merchants would have no great difficulty in finding out the cipher.

As to the matters mentioned in your letters of the 19th, viz., the answer you make about the marriage of Scotland, the words brought by the chancellor of Spain, the procuration of the Emperor, the German Diet, the letters of the Waywode, and the state of Lautrec's army:—(1.) Your answer about the marriage of Scotland has given the greatest satisfaction to the King, who came on Thursday last to dine with Wolsey. (2.) What they think about the words of the Imperial chancellor you will perceive by Wolsey's instructions for the English ambassadors in Spain; but he intends to send a new herald "pour le relevement des dites parolles." You will also observe that the English ambassadors are instructed to follow in this matter the intentions of yours. Brosse, however, will return to you shortly, fully instructed upon this affair. (3.) Wolsey thinks the diet of Germany is a matter that requires much consideration, that Ferdinand may not seize an advantage while Christendom is otherwise occupied. You ought, therefore, to consider well what ambassadors you send thither, and he will take care to send others. Thinks it would be well to procure a delay by some means, as the diet is summoned for the first week in Lent. (4.) As to the procuration

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of the Emperor, he talked with us at great length, showing how it was necessary above all things to bring the Pope to our devotion, otherwise his Holiness might reveal everything to the Emperor. But if this point be gained, it will be necessary to consider the state of the common affairs:—if in war, or despair of peace, matters should be pressed with all vigor; but if peace be concluded, his Holiness should still be got to resent the great injury done to him and the Church.

(5.) Wolsey is much pleased with the article of the Waywode's letters, perceiving thereby that Ferdinand has no intention of remaining at rest, and he is of opinion that we should either come to peace or to war. In any case the Waywode should not forbear his enterprise, but should be encouraged as far as it may honorably be done, both by the Pope and by the confederates, for all means must be used to check the tyranny of the Emperor and his brother.

(6.) At last, for a *bonne bouche*, we reported to him the news brought by Castillon of the forces under Lautrec, and of the money sent by Francis for his enterprise; with which he was marvellously gratified, and hopes, notwithstanding the expectation of peace, that the Emperor's army in Italy will be routed; and he hopes you will make all possible solicitation to the Pope, and, if he be too cool, to the College of Cardinals, that he may enter again into the league without any dissimulation. Wolsey is writing to Gregory Casale a letter which the English ambassador will show to Francis. Yesterday, when Du Bellay was with him again, he repeated to him all that he had said on the above matters, and begged him to write them to Francis. Have not omitted a single day to urge him for a despatch. He has arranged with the King that your installation at Windsor shall take place eight days hence.

Fr., pp. 8, *from a transcript dated in the margin at the head:* "Londres, 20 Jan. 152 . ."

20 Jan. **145.** MONTMORENCY to DU BELLAY.

MS. 5,499, f. 155. Bibl. Nat.

The prothonotary Gambara arrived here lately. He has spoken two or three times to Madame, and will go shortly to England. Knows that Du Bellay will see him and converse with him. Judging from his language here, he will ask the King to assist in obtaining the restitution of Ravenna [and Cervia] to the Pope by the Venetians. Du Bellay must dexterously persuade the King and Wolsey to answer to him that they would wish the Pope not to press the Venetians for this restitution at present, but to dissemble with them for a time, as he cannot fail to recover them hereafter; and in like manner to temporise with the duke of Ferrara touching the treaty lately made with him, not showing that he finds it bad and unreasonable, as things will redress themselves by and by. But you must note well how these suggestions are received, for Francis desires above all things that the King and Wolsey should find them agreeable, and if it appear otherwise, you are to notify it. Lautrec is continually advancing. St. Germain-en-Laye, 20 Jan.

Begs him to introduce the above suggestions to the King and Wolsey as quietly as possible, that they may not be displeased.

Fr., pp. 3, *from a transcript.*

6 Feb. **146.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

MS. 5,499, p. 50. Bibl. Nat.

Will not repeat the conversations reported in the King's letters, as Gambara is to leave three days hence. He will return to the Pope without having done much, but will henceforth be in great esteem with his Holiness, who appreciates his services highly. Since he was delivered the

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Pope has given him 10,000 *livres* of rent, and promises to do more for him still; so it will be well you should give him a good reception in passing. He maintains that if you proceed roundly with his master, determined to share his future, whatever it may be, he will join you fearlessly; otherwise not. Thinks one of the points he would insist on would be the restitution of Reggio and Modena by the duke of Ferrara, after which he is content to temporize. On this subject we entered into conversation, though he apparently did not care to have it taken up, and he proposed to give the duke of Ferrara Ravenna in compensation. You must not, however, appear to have heard anything of this from me. He also says he has communicated to Madame the true intention of the Pope on this subject, and had obtained from her in return her own opinion and that of Francis. Thinks, if this be so, it is strange that he never heard of it. Makes some observations concerning Florence and Venice, founded on Wolsey's conversations. Heard some time ago from a groom whom his brother had presented to the Pope, that the Imperialists wished to have made it a principal article in the compact that the Pope should not consent to let the king of England leave his wife, or give the Legate a commission to try the case; but this the Pope refused. States the case of the king of England. Has heard within the last three days that Dr. Kenit (Knight), returning from the Pope, is at Calais, waiting for a wind. Thinks Dr. Stephen will shortly go and take his place. Hears by a ship come from Spain that English merchants are ordered to withdraw their merchandise.

It is said that Ferdinand has gained some victory over the Waiwode.

Fr., pp. 8, *from a transcript dated in the margin at the head:* "Londres, 9 Fevrier."

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MS. 5,499, p. 46. Bibl. Nat.

147. Bishop of Bayonne to Francis I.

Received on Friday his letter of the 25th ult., which he took to Wolsey, and showed him at great length; but as Gambara was waiting to pay his respects, and had a great deal to communicate to him on the same subject, he asked me to visit the King on Sunday at Greenwich, which I did. Had a long conversation with Henry, first about the ill turn done by his Almoner in Spain; at which Henry expressed his displeasure, giving him the fullest assurance that it did not come from him or Wolsey, and that if it was found that any other instructions had been sent thither than those which were seen by the Grand Master when he was here, we need have no confidence in him. He said that the Almoner had acted in ignorance, and that he was a very good man, but of little experience, who had a great horror of the words "intimation of war;" but if the case were found to be as stated, he should be severely punished. I said such explanations were quite unnecessary for you, and that he need not fear you had any suspicion of his good faith, which was quite apparent in his letters, wherein the blame was laid upon the said Almoner. Moreover, that by the copy of the letter which you have sent back from Spain, you had, like a prince, reproved the said Almoner to your ambassadors, as if he had been your own servant, knowing that the union between you and Henry was such that each of you had power over the servants of the other. Moreover, that Henry had himself been the chief instigator of Francis to bring things rapidly to an issue.

Requested the King, however, to send a new declaration of his will to the Almoner, that he might no longer mistake it. Thereupon the King told him that Gambara had made to him new overtures of peace, which did not seem to him unreasonable, if Francis would approve them, as in fact he had already done, by the communication which Gambara had made to him. They are to the effect that the Emperor has intimated to the Pope his desire to come to peace; but he wished his honor preserved if England and France endeavored to lay him under constraint, and that if the Pope would interpose

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his authority as a neutral and common father, he would undoubtedly come to reason. Henry, therefore, thought it would be well that Gambara should go on behalf of the Pope, accompanied by two persons sent by Henry and Francis, to petition the Emperor to that effect.

He asked my opinion of this. I said it would not be easy to give one *impromptu* on a matter of so much importance; nevertheless, I could not but have suspicion of the Emperor and of his Council, and thought this overture tended greatly to defer and dissimulate; that I wondered you had approved of it, considering the delay that it involved in sending to the Pope, and obtaining an answer from the Emperor. This would consume three months, which is the best part of the year for making preparations, especially in providing lanceknights and other soldiers from a distance. It would secure the Emperor's Low Countries from invasion, which are of more importance than anything he could lose in Italy, as Henry and Wolsey had always represented. The King answered that the delay could not be so great, that two months would be sufficient, and that it would be far better for you to wait for certain peace in two months than to enter suddenly on an uncertain war. And as I reminded him that the answer from Spain, which he had heretofore assured himself would arrive at Christmas, had not yet come, he replied that delay was occasioned by the deliverance of the Pope, for which the Emperor was waiting, and perhaps by your illness, of which his ambassador certainly informed him, but that now all delays will be avoided.

Made no remark on this change in the King's tone; except "que si à ceste heure l'Empereur l'avait trouvé ou s'accrocher pour retardement de la finale responce, il avait encores, et son conseil aussi, l'entendement assis au lieu mesmes qu'il a eu cy devant, et que Dieu ne les a point desgarnis de cautelles pour trouver en ce faict declaration, comme il a faict aux autres." This, however, I delivered merely as my own opinion, as the King had invited me to express it freely, and begged him to think well of this matter, as one in whom Francis had the greatest confidence.

Thinks, perhaps, Gambara had something to do with this. Although he found Henry was pretty well fixed in his opinion beforehand, did not omit to discuss the matter amicably with him as far as he could, but Henry assured him the enterprise would have a very good effect, and that he had means of knowing what the Emperor's real purpose was.

I said, if he had good assurance he was right in acting upon it, but I had little doubt that you would have some regret hereafter, if you had to thank any one but him for the liberation of your children. To this he replied, with many cordial expressions, that even if the Pope did interfere in the matter, all the world would know that it was but a color, and that the real authors of the universal peace were Francis and himself. He also said that the Pope offered, in case the Emperor refused this overture, to proceed to an interdict, and take part with us against him. I doubted whether this was to be expected of his timidity, but he said he was sure of the Pope, if you and he would take him wholly under your protection. He asked if my powers were sufficient to conclude in this matter, and he would get it passed by means of the powers which Gambara held. I said my powers and will were simply to obey him by your command in everything, and I thought this point of great utility, provided the Venetians, Florentines, and Ferrara did not withdraw. He said they were ready to submit their claims to you two, for so their ambassadors had told him and Wolsey. Has endeavored to draw more information out of Gambara. Thinks he can see that this assurance of peace on the Emperor's part proceeds from the chancellor of Spain, on whom the Pope greatly relies, and to whom he owes his deliverance.

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On Monday morning visited Gambara, who conversed with him much to the same effect as the King had done, promising to show him the charge he had from the Pope. He also said he had explained things fully to Madame, from whom he wished soon to have an answer, and that the Pope was content to dissimulate the affairs of Ferrara and Florence, provided the two Kings would promise to get justice done to him by the duke of Ferrara after they had settled their own business; but that as to Ravenna and [Cervia] he intended above everything to have restitution, and that if he could not have the entire friendship of Francis he would be constrained to do the best he could for himself. Went after dinner to Wolsey, whose conversation was to the same effect as that of the others. He told me he was busy about the despatch which Gambara should take with him in three or four days. He then enlarged upon the Almoner's fault, saying frequently that unless he could show a good excuse for it, his life would answer for it. He had given the same assurance to De Brosse before his departure; but as to the contribution of which we had spoken twice before De Brosse left, he said that as soon as he saw that he could do it he would use means to bring it about, for Henry was by no means satisfied with the delay made by Lautrec, who might have done things of great importance, and thereby encouraged "the said King his good brother" to come to the contribution. He said Lautrec must make up for lost time. I answered what I could; among other things, that it was not certain Lautrec had lost time, having recovered so many countries and towns, increased the number of the allies, diminished the forces of the enemy, and further brought them to reason, and delivered the Pope; that the difficulties of the commissariat should be considered, and the loss of men which takes place in such long marches, especially when towns were sacked. To this Wolsey only answered that he begged you firmly to believe that he would never fail you, but it would require time to consider about the ways and means for this contribution. Asked Wolsey what he had determined about these last letters you wrote me for urging the English ambassadors to avoid further delay. He said he had been ready to do so when Gambara arrived; in consequence of whose propositions he intends, if you think right, that the Pope should send a man express to the Emperor, and, if he do not immediately accept the peace, proceed to such censures in Spain, Italy, and Hungary that he will not know where to turn. He thinks Henry and Francis should send a man likewise, but will consult with Gambara. Thinks Gambara will not agree with it, for he said it was not the Pope's intention, unless you wished it. Understands from Gambara that the Pope's envoy shall remain, that he may thereby revoke the present ambassador, who has done you so many ill turns, and who has even preached that the money demanded by the Emperor by . . . . . and the state of St. James ought to be given him, and that such was the Pope's intention.

Is asked by Wolsey to mention that the King has the greatest possible desire to see Bude (Budæus), your master of requests, for a few days, and have a literary conversation with him, from the great esteem he has for him. Promised to write, and said he was sure that none of Francis' servants, great or little, would object to obey him, but he must not be surprised if Bude was some time in coming, owing to his age and illness.

Fr., pp. 12, *from a transcript dated in the margin:* Londres, 6 Février 1528.

10 Feb. **148.** Du Bellay to Francis I.

MS. 5,499, p. 52. Bibl. Nat.

On Saturday I went to the Legate by appointment, to communicate to him your letters of the 2nd, which I had received the day before. I used all the arguments I could to induce him to consent to the contribution, telling him that it could no longer be alleged that Lautrec had done nothing. Finally, he asked me to have patience until he persuaded the King, whom

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he hoped to induce to contribute for a month or two, especially if news came that Lautrec had done anything of importance. It would be a good thing if Madame were to write to him about it, as well as Francis. As to the fixing of a day, of which you wish the English ambassadors to be informed, I wrote to you on the 6th of the resolution come to here. The Legate has since consented to it, in case Gambara's overture does not please you, and he will not fail to send you a despatch by Dr. Stephen.

Told him that the Emperor was using his customary artifices. He said that the Emperor would allow the intimation to be made, and make some preparations for war, feeling sure that when he found the end might be dangerous peace would not be refused to him; but still you were doing well to provide in time, and Henry and himself would not fail in their duty. Asked him whether, if he believed the intimation was already made, he thought that the Pope's overture to send to the Emperor should still take effect. He said, Yes, it could do no harm, but that preparations for war should not be relaxed meanwhile.

He wishes the ambassadors for Germany to wait until you send instructions, that similar instructions may be made here; but he has promised that Wallop shall send his horses over the sea to save time. I have given him your instructions of last year for the same affair, and the letters to princes; which he was very glad to see.

Showed him a letter from the bailly Robert about the descent of your fleet in Sardinia, and news of the surprise of Spaniards going from Rome past Sardinia; at which he was much pleased, and which he has kept to show the King. I think he is disposed to assist us with the contribution. I think the King "est un peu froid a tuer;" for Gambara told him that nothing would so lead the Pope to do well as to see perseverance in the contribution; to which he answered that you were not poor, and had a provision of 2,000,000 cr.

Gambara starts today on his return, with the persons I mentioned to you in my letters of the 6th. Wolsey wishes you to give him a similar despatch to that which he has received from here, and to despatch him as soon as possible.

Complains that he has no means of meeting his expences.

Fr., pp. 4, *from a transcript dated in the margin:* "Londres, 10 Fevrier."

10 (?) Feb. MS. 5,499, p. 54. Bibl. Nat.

149. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Wrote on the 6th that nothing more was possible. Was with the Legate on Saturday, and tried hard to induce him to consent to the contribution. If peace were probable, they would be glad to save the money, but if war ensued they see they would have to play for higher stakes. Advises Montmorency to write, saying that Du Bellay's letters have given him hopes. Has received his letter of the 2nd, praising him for reconciling him (Wolsey?) to the Venetians.

Gambara starts today with Dr. Stephanus (Gardiner) and Toucques (Fox). Wolsey read him a draft of their commission to the Pope, of which he gives an account. The King has not agreed to the articles about assistance, and to that "des nonobstances." As to the first, Wolsey says that the Pope's lands are too far off to make it reasonable; and as to the second, that the King has never approved of the affair of Ferrara, which is the principal point in the article. What "le chevalier Vasel" (Casale?) did, was done without commission; but, on the other hand, the [French] king has ratified what was done. You will hear more about it from Gardiner, whom Wolsey requests you to despatch immediately.

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Endeavored to get the Legate to fix a time for the Pope to issue these great thunders which he promises, especially as he could interpret the word "et incontinent" as he pleased, as the Almoner did. But he said the time was already sufficiently fixed, considering that we are bound to nothing until the Pope has fulfilled his promise, and that we need not regard the large promises made to his Holiness, for we are not bound to fulfil them until after peace or victory, when we could modify them as we liked, for we should have no need of him, but, on the contrary, he would have more need of us than now.

Spoke of the danger we incurred of losing Ferrara and the Florentines; but he denied it, saying that the Pope only wanted the signature of the two Kings, which he would keep secret, and no one in France should know it, except the King, Madame, and you. He desired me to write about it to you, and not to the King, lest the Council might see my letters; and he does not intend the English ambassador in France to know of it. He considers it a settled point that Ravenna and "Venyse" (Cervia?) should be restored, and has spoken to the Venetian ambassador and to his master about it. I think this will go off easily (*s'en ira facilement*), and hope you will not be vexed.

I am sure that if you do not agree to the promises Wolsey wishes made to the Pope, he will be much displeased. You should manage so that Gambara shall tell as many people as possible that if the King does [not] grant the Pope's demands, his Holiness will go over to the Emperor; and I have advised him to use such language if you make any difficulty. If afterwards you do not wish to keep your promises, especially about the duke of Ferrara, you can allege the threats he used.

Advises him also to take an authentic copy of the King's declaration in Gardiner's despatch, that he will ratify the above articles. This may hereafter be a good excuse, as at present nothing can be refused to him. Suggests the making of a secret protestation immediately. Could easily sign a declaration that Gambara has used these threats.

Has today received Montmorency's letters of the 4th, and sent them to Wolsey to assure him of the King's health, of which Gardiner had heard bad news. Advises the King to show himself, if only at a window; for the opinion here, and still more in Flanders, is that there is no possibility of his recovery. Has gone about London more in a week than he usually does in two months, to show the people that he is not in mourning.

Wolsey is contented that "Leschaussois navigue et le docteur Gervaise," both of whom he knows, should go to Germany. Montmorency should send a copy of their instructions as soon as possible, for Wallop will not start till then.

Fr., pp. 8, *from a transcript dated in the margin:* "Londres, 19* Fevrier."

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150. WOLSEY'S JOURNEY to FRANCE.

Warrant to Sir Andrew Windesor, keeper of the Great Wardrobe, for the delivery of the following articles; viz., "for the use of two of our trumpets giving attendance of the most reverend father in God, our most trusty councillor, the lord Legate *de latere*, into the parties of France, 24 yards chamblet for two coats for them, and 4 yards black velvet to border the same two coats; and for the use of the Pope's ambassador['s] nephew, 13 yards 3½ qrs. fine black velvet of Luke for a gown for him, and 3 yards fine tylsent for a doublet for him." Windsor Castle, 20 Feb. 19 Hen. VIII. *Signed at top.*

* Doubtless the true date is the 10th. See No. 3912 (2). Gardiner and Fox had left before the 16th. (No. 3930.)

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Feb. **151.** THOMAS WALL, WINDSOR HERALD.*

Ashmol. No. 1116, ff. 119 b–125 b.

"Instrucions geven unto T. Wall, *alias* Wyndesore Heralt, touching ye affayres of the Kinges highnes towardes the ladye Margaret, dowager of Savoy in Flaunders."

3 March. **152.** FRANCIS I. to DU BELLAY.

MS. 5,499, p. 161. Bibl. Nat.

Intends to send Morette in two days, instructed about everything necessary to satisfy the King and Wolsey. Sends by this courier news from Spain and Germany to be communicated to them, and desires them to send him any further information they may have from Spain.

Since "la [diete]† Imperiale" has been put off till after Easter, before which it is not easy to obtain a safe-conduct for the ambassadors, and it is necessary to have one from all the electoral princes, for a herald, Du Bellay must ask what the King thinks should be done, and Francis will follow his counsel "entierement sans aulcun retardement ou difficulte et de . . . . . ou du retardement de leur voiage."

Is waiting for the answer to be made to Du Bellay about the captures‡ made by the Flemings, that he may govern himself accordingly. St. Germain-en-Laye, 3 March.

Fr., pp. 2, from a transcript.

5 March. **153.** DU BELLAY and MORETTE to MONTMORENCY.

MS. 5,499, p. 128. Bibl. Nat.

Yesterday the Imperial ambassador was with the Legate more than two hours. Afterwards the Legate sent for me, and showed me the letters which Madame Margaret had written to the Imperial ambassadors. Their substance was that the Emperor regretted that the King and Wolsey took matters in this way, and wished to give up their old friendship with him for the king of France, who was the only cause of all the evil, from his refusal to listen to reason, to surrender any towns, or withdraw his army in Italy; that there was no reason to expect he would do this afterwards, considering the experience§ the Emperor has had of his faith. As to the proposition of the king of England to give his faith to the Emperor for Francis, it seems that he should do the opposite, viz., when Francis has surrendered the towns and withdrawn his army, Henry should promise him the delivery of his sons, in the Emperor's behalf, for which security should be given as for Tournay. This offer had been made to the French ambassadors, but they would not accept it, preferring to come to the intimation of war.

Wolsey congratulated me on this, and said he saw clearly that the Emperor was much vexed, and would come to terms, which would be more honorable to the two Kings than defying him; this opportunity of peace must not be lost, as it came from the enemy; the ambassador had begged him to send a courier to the English ambassadors in Spain, or offered to go himself, to treat of this matter, and to find out what hostage and security the Emperor would give; about which he asked for my opinion.

I replied that the overture was more to deceive the [Kings] than for any other purpose, showing him the danger of giving up fortified towns, and leaving ourselves at the enemy's mercy. He answered that it was not probable that the Emperor would act thus, and he was sure his heart was set upon peace; peace would have to be negotiated, and the Princes recovered just the same, after a war. None of these reasons convinced me, and I argued the point with him, begging him not to take it ill, considering the familiarity

* See No. 4008. † Blank in MS. ‡ "princes." *Qu.* prinses?
§ "esperance." *Qu.*, error for "experience"?

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he allows me and the other servants of the King. Finally, he said he could not help taking ill my refusal to listen to reason; he was sure the King and Madame would not discuss the matter so long. I excused myself as well as I could, seeing that he was offended, and left the point in suspense for more argument would have been of no use.

His resolution is, that a courier ought to be sent to the ambassadors in Spain with three or four overtures, of which the principal are,—1, that the King will surrender the towns and recall his army, while the king of England promises for the Emperor that the Princes shall be restored for the money, receiving hostages from the Emperor, and the promise of his lords and bishops; 2, that the Dauphin shall be exchanged for the money, and Madame Leonor go at the same time, while the duke of Orleans remains as a pledge for the surrender of the towns and recall of the army, for which the king of England shall give his word to the Emperor, and the king of France shall be subject to a penalty of 500,000 cr., and a declaration of war. I do not know if he means to send you word of this at his return from the King, but he would be much vexed if he knew that I had told you of it. He even forbade my speaking of it to monseigneur Balthazar. Was afraid of offending him by the discussion, but have left him very content. Our conversation lasted three hours.

He sees that before these negotiations we must not omit active war, nor the success of Lautrec, "et que aussi bien on ne scaurait cependant si tost prest l'armée ailleurs." They are making great preparations here, both by sea and land, but you will have to victual their ships with wheat.

I (Morette) was present at the audience of the Imperial ambassadors; for when I wished to withdraw, both the King and Wolsey desired me to stay. When they spoke of the old friendship between the Flemings and English, the King answered that if they had war now they must not blame him, but the obstinacy and ingratitude of their prince (*primat*), who is cause of all the evils. He spoke highly of you (Francis) and your affairs, and made me, in their sight, come into his chamber with his most familiar attendants; where he kept me for two hours talking of French matters.

Wolsey is going to Hampton Court. John de Saulx will have a safe-conduct from the King, and letters from us to the captains whom he may meet at sea. The King advises that this bearer should return to Madame Margaret for instructions for De Saulx, who will wait here. Wolsey sends a letter for the bishop of Bath. I, Morette, will revisit the King in two days. London, 5 March.

Fr., pp. 7, from a transcript. The former part of the letter is apparently addressed to the Grand Master, and the latter part to the King.

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MS. 468, p. 58, Colbert.
MS. 5,499, p. 56. Bibl. Nat.

154. [Du Bellay] to Montmorency.

The coming hither of the sieur de Castillon, the present bearer, has been of great service. When the bishop of Bath comes to France you must do your best to make him good cheer, and had better send back Castillon to meet him with hackneys, for he cannot go in post. I suppose Morette cannot be far from here. It would be a great kindness to cause him to stop in my place. He seems fit for the charge. I wish you would order me to urge the descent of these 1,000 English to aid in diverting the effort Ferdinand intends to make in Italy, and that the Emperor may hear that war has commenced, and give up his vain hope that there will be no trouble from this quarter. The Spaniards and Flemings do not cease to boast that the king of England dares not make war on them. This, more than anything else, would cause the Emperor to attend to the new articles, which are to be sent to him. London, 12 March.

Will send the letters after Castillon, as they are of little importance.

Fr., pp. 2, from a transcript.

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17 March. **155.** MARY QUEEN OF FRANCE to WOLSEY.

R. O. Thanks him for his manifold kindness. Hears from her chamberlains, Sir Humphrey Banaster and Humphrey Wingfielde, that the benefice of Grafton Flyford, in the King's gift, in co. Worcester, of the yearly value of 12 marks, has been granted to her chaplain. Begs it may not be given to Mr. Belknap's chaplain, who is applying for it. Rysing, 17 March. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* My lord Cardinal.

19 March. **156.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Colbert MS. 468, p. 65. Bibl. Nat.

Yesterday the Lord Chamberlain came to me to speak about the corn with which the King expected to be supplied from France. He dared not start with his men until he heard that there was corn at Guisnes for them. Told him that I had written to the King and you, and that Castillon had gone in haste that there might be no delay about it; that you would send immediately to Mons. de Brienne to provide for a few days, until the King had made other provision; and I begged him to hasten his passage. He said he would be there in 14 or 15 days, but could not go earlier, as his illness had prevented his raising men until now. This delay will please the people, for meanwhile the English may have recovered their goods in Flanders. "Desja sont leurs personnes de deça."* And they have been magnificently feasted by Madame Margaret, and all along their journey.

The Chamberlain desires provision to be made thus; viz., that leave be given to the people of Guisnes to buy corn at Boulogne, Monstreuil, and other places. In order to hasten the descent, I have written to Brienne to buy a certain quantity and have it delivered. There is not much danger in letting it come out of the kingdom, considering the season. If only Frenchmen are allowed to import it (*d'en tirer*), as the King and Wolsey have asked, and not English, I ask that preference may be given to me.

I am hourly expecting the Legate to send to me for the despatch of the bishop of Bath.

He is at Hampton Court, and on Friday the King will be at Richmond, where he will stay till Easter. He has sent a safe-conduct to Madame Margaret for the ambassadors. Wolsey has spoken to the merchants of this town (London), who came to him, so that there is no more cloth in the market. The movements which were commencing in the country have been put down, for this time; and I think good order will be taken for the future. News has come that Monsieur de Gueldres, with 1,500 men bearing the Burgundian cross, have sacked la Haye in Holland, and, after receiving 20,000 florins not to burn the town, returned.

News of the 17th has come from Gerningan, that Lautrec's affairs prosper. I am expecting news from you by Morette. Concerning the prizes at sea, I have sent you word by Castillon. Advises dissimulation, considering the cries of the people. London, 19 March.

Fr., pp. 4, *from a transcript.*

MS. 5,499, p. 56. Bibl. Nat.

2. Another copy.

Pp. 3, *imperfect.*

24 March. **157.** HENRY VIII. to MONTMORENCY.

MS. 2,982, f. 14. Bibl. Nat.

In behalf of the bishop of Bath, whom he is sending to Francis. Windsor, 24 March 1527, *avant Pasques.*

Fr., p. 1, *from a transcript.*

* Another copy, MS. 5499, p. 56, Bibl. Nat., reads, "Desja sont leurs personnes retrouvées."

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26 March. **158.** DU BELLAY and MORETTE to FRANCIS I.
MS. 5,499, p. 57. Bibl. Nat.

Went on Sunday morning to the King at Richmond, where the Legate was also.

Morette delivered his letters, and told them the principal points of his charge. The King and Legate received him honorably, and bade them return to London in the afternoon, and attend on the King at Hampton Court on the Monday evening.

On arriving there, found Wolsey busy with the Imperial ambassador and lady Margaret's secretary. On their departure, were with him three or four hours. Explained every point of my (Morette's) charge, and gave him my instructions, which he read through, making observations about each article, and told us to wait for the resolution until the King's arrival.

He told us that the secretary had been sent by lady Margaret to declare her regret that, for want of means to compose the differences between you and the Emperor, the proposed articles of peace could have no effect, and all Christendom would recommence war; and she begged Wolsey to use his influence with France and England, while she would do the like with the Emperor. He proposed a method of peace, which she thought the Emperor would accept if it were put forward by the two Kings. It was one of the methods carried by the bishop of Bath, viz. that you should surrender Genoa, Aste and Hesdin, and then the Dauphin be delivered in exchange for the money; after which you would withdraw your army, and the duke of Orleans be delivered; the king of England to be security, and receive hostages from both parties, for the performance of the conditions. Lady Margaret requests you to send her a safe-conduct for a gentleman to carry these conditions to the Emperor, with urgent reasons for adopting them for herself and his subjects in the Low Countries; which she is sure he will not refuse. She wishes also a general truce on this side the mountains for three months, and that affairs in Italy should remain in the same state as when these terms are accepted until peace is solemnly sworn. Asked the Legate to send this article to the bishop of Bath; but he said it was not necessary, as it was already in this form among the others. Lady Margaret's secretary has already returned. Wolsey requests you to send a blank safe-conduct to Cambray for the gentleman whom she intends to send to Spain, and he has promised that it shall be there in a few days. As to the abstinence of war, he desires my Lady and you to publish it. The gentleman shall consult you about publishing it on the frontiers of Spain, on his way to the Emperor.

We have shown him the little profit you will derive from the truce, and the suspicion it will cause your confederates; but he repeats that he begs you to agree to it, as he is sure that it is the best course, and he has been moved to promise it on his honor; the truce is sure to lead to peace, but a general war cannot bring you much advantage. He asked us to write to you about it immediately, but we think he will be contented with a truce of two months, which would be better than three.

Yesterday I, Morette, declared the whole of my charge to the King and Legate, viz. concerning the war in Flanders, the contribution, Wallop's charge, and the despatch of Gambara and the bishop of Pistoja, not omitting the prizes taken at sea, and other points. They think it advisable that the English and French forces should assemble near Therouenne at the end of June. We found the King as cold as possible about the contribution, saying that he could not do so much, now that he had to join the dance himself. I, Du Bellay, said you would think I had deceived you, as I had always had such hopes of it from him, and told you that at Morette's arrival he would come to the resolution you desired. He replied that he had given a liberal answer before the intimation, being sure that the Emperor would not make war; but finding himself mistaken, he had reckoned up his affairs, and was obliged to give a different answer. He gave us a long account of his expences, and

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spoke also about the victuals. He told us to advise you, at the beginning of this dance, not to incur expences that you could not support, and to consider whether you could for long keep two great armies, one in Italy and one here, seeing that you say you cannot keep one without the contribution from him; and you should therefore consider whether it would be well to make such a great effort in Flanders as is stipulated in the treaty, or diminish it so as to bear the expences in Italy with more ease. He does not say this from a wish to back out of the treaty, for the increase in Italy would be borne by him as well as you. He wishes to know your pleasure, and will be always ready to do what you think most injurious to the enemy, in attacking whom he will never desert you, and what will most conduce to the recovery of your sons, which he desires more than anything in the world; but to effect which he thinks peace the best method, as the saving of the expence of war might be counted as a gain. He requests your attention to the articles which the bishop of Bath will declare to you, and that you will allow the bishop of Pistoja to proceed, charged with good words, after the bishop of Bath has handled him a little.

We urged them to be ready to march at the end of May, but in vain. Their chief reason is, that the grass is too short to cut for the horses before the middle of June, and therefore an army could not be kept in the field. Used all possible arguments at Richmond in the presence of the Legate, the Lord Chamberlain, Fitzwilliam and the lord Marquis. The King's resolution is to have everything ready by the end of June, and he assures us upon his honor that he will not fail, and hopes that you will not, either in men, victuals or "arrivages" (carriages?), which he cannot get without you.

However, they think that the present good opportunity of being sought by the enemy for peace should not be lost, and that we could not gain greater honor than to have compelled him to seek an appointment. They do not, however, intend to omit anything in the preparations for war; and the Lord Chamberlain (Sandes) is going to raise men on Thursday or Friday, so as to be ready to cross the sea at Easter. As they expect you to accept a truce he will not make war, but wait for an answer from Spain. His passage will serve as a demonstration to lady Margaret. They beg you to supply other provisions as well as corn. As they are difficult to move to war, you should be gracious, especially about provisions.

Although they hoped that your charge to the prothonotary Gambara would be like theirs, still they think that the charge you have sent will be for the best, chiefly because they have found out from the bishop of Pistoja that Gambara's charge from the Pope was not as ample as he had given out. They also advise you to cause the Signory to surrender Ravenna and Cervia* without delay; which they cannot honorably refuse to do, nor can they fail to comply with your request. The King seemed very angry with the Signory, because their ambassador had told him that they seized it only to keep it for the Pope.

He told us to write to you what he had said, and that he would not be surprised if the Pope did not take your part if you would [not] gratify him in a matter so reasonable; for he could not be expected to allow his own states to be divided, to preserve the Venetians in their possession of what was his. However, he does not think it well that the Pope, having recovered Ravenna, &c., should declare himself suddenly, without trying if the Emperor would accept the offers; for there is news from many quarters that the Emperor repents his refusal, and is willing to come to an agreement by his Holiness's intercession, whose declaration, moreover, would do you little good.

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Touching the prizes taken by the Spaniards at sea, they think you should not refuse the abstinence of war, and thus this article would be unnecessary. If you will not accept it, they do not object to your making vigorous war in the sea of Dole, this sea being included in the abstinence. If you do not wish to commence war, they will advise with the ambassadors from lady Margaret, who are daily expected.

The King approves of the preparation of your ships in Normandy. He has already sent four great ships to sea, and four others will be ready in a few days to keep the sea; but to try to prevent Beaurain passing would be useless expence, for he could not be stopped from going round Ireland, or some other way, as Albany did lately when he passed to Scotland in spite of them.

They hear that he has already started for Naples.

We have spoken about the delay in despatching Wallop. I believe he has already left you to return hither. They think of sending a letter to the electors after the form of yours.

During this conversation, which lasted two hours, the King used very good and honorable words, assuring us of his friendship and his intention of sharing your fortunes. At Richmond he caused Morette to be present at his levée, bidding him act as if he was with his master. He showed great pleasure at hearing of Francis' good health.

Today the King returned to Richmond and left us with the Legate, who recapitulated the points that had been treated, putting us in great hopes of peace with the Emperor, and urging us to procure the despatch of the safe-conduct. In reply to all we had said to the King and himself in favor of war, he made a long protestation of the indissoluble amity his master and himself feel for the French King, but they were already at great expence; he was blamed for having deserted their old friends, against the wish of the people, to take the friendship and share the fortune of those who never had been held as friends; he spoke of the difficulty of keeping the people in subjection, and the great loss the King will sustain in taxes from the decrease of commerce; and he himself would be obliged to advance large sums of money to buy cloth to keep the Fen country from mutiny and starvation. All this was to lead up to the contribution, about which and other things he begged you to allow him to use his own means with the King, as the best means of doing for you what he desires. He used this language twice,—that there was neither man nor devil able to sever this friendship,—addressing himself particularly to me, Morette, and begging me to assure you and Madame of their friendship, on my life and honor, for which he pledged me his faith; and which I promised to do. The contribution is not hopeless, but he wants time for it.

We then talked about the articles sent by the bishop of Bath. Being pressed to answer, we said that we saw little security for you in the articles about the revocation of the army, though we could not speak against them now, as he approved of them. He said he thought that the revocation of the army, on hostages and security given by the Emperor, was one of the best methods. In reply to our question what sufficient hostages the Emperor could give, he said he had discussed that point with the Imperial ambassador, putting it as far off as possible; and the ambassador had told him that he would give the son of the constable of Spain, the son of a great marquis, and the nephew of the duke of Alva, with obligations from lords and princes; Wolsey, however, had always prevented him from speaking of it.

We asked him whether it would be necessary to send here if you agreed to only some of the articles sent by the bishop of Bath; but he told us the Bishop had charge to send on to Spain only those which pleased you.

He also spoke again earnestly about the restitution of Ravenna and Cervia,* about which he said that he and the King had written to you.

* "Venise" in the transcript.

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Morette is going back to the King tomorrow to perform the rest of his instructions.

Lady Margaret's ambassadors have arrived.

London, 26 March.

Fr., pp. 18, *from a transcript.*

3 April. MS. 5,499, f. 161. Bibl. Nat.

159. MONTMORENCY to DU BELLAY and MORETTE.

Writes in answer to their long letters, which the King has seen. His letters will fully explain his intention. The King also sends back to you with an answer the articles shown him by the bishop of Bath. He would never have consented to them, but for his affection for the King, and his wish not to put him to expence. He desires to act in accordance with Henry's advice, as you will see by what is sent you herewith to be shown to the King and Wolsey, who must be asked to keep the whole thing secret, for fear of the effect produced by the knowledge of it on the allies. When this is performed Morette must execute the charge given him at his departure, setting forth the King's diligence in providing lanceknights, having no doubt that the same has been done by the king of England, according to the treaty. Wishes him to return as soon as possible with ample instructions.

Langey will give the bishop of Bayonne an answer to what he told Montmorency on the part of the Bishop. They will see by what is sent them the King's answer to the Imperial ambassador, whom he has allowed to return to his master, and has had conducted to the frontier, hoping that the French ambassadors will be similarly treated.

The King is in good health and spirits. He left Madame at St. Germains yesterday, suffering from gout in her hand and knee. The King is going hence to Annet today to spend Easter.

No news from Italy since the 8th of last month. Houdan, 3 April.

Fr., pp. 2, *from a transcript.*

18 April. MS. 5,499, f. 6. Bibl. Nat.

160. FRANCIS I. and CHARLES V.

"Memoyres contenans certaines remonstrances et persuasions ouvertes et proposées par le roi d'Angleterre et cardinal d'York, Legat, tendans a faire condescendre le Roy très Chrestien au partis par eux mis en avant pour estre proposez à l'Empereur, et parvenir au traicté de paix d'entre luy et le dit Roy."

The King and Wolsey, having considered the answer returned by Francis to the offers made by the bishop of Bath, are persuaded either that the Bishop could not have set forth to him at sufficient length the grounds on which each of these offers is made, or that the council of Francis have not had leisure to consider them, otherwise such an answer would hardly have been returned. For, first, if the difference between him and the Emperor were discussed with impartiality, every one would say that the first point to be considered was the King's captivity, and the promises he gave to the Emperor in the treaty of Madrid, for the fulfilment of which the children are now detained. It is true that by the intercession of England the rigour of that treaty has been much abated in relation to Burgundy and other matters; but it must be considered that the Emperor wishes to make his reckoning of the said diminution, so as to be able to say, when they come to terms, that Francis ought to trust him, since he had already trusted Francis, and that peace is not less necessary to Francis than to the Emperor.

As to the three offers to be sent on to the Emperor, it is certain that the first will [not] be granted, seeing that it has already been refused, and the last has been refused also in these or other terms. As to the second, which is the most reasonable, viz., to place the towns of Genoa and Hesdin in the

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hands of Henry as a pledge for the accomplishment of the other things, the King and Wolsey will be much gratified if the Emperor would accept it, especially if they see that it is a thing that can take effect; which, however, they do not think it can, even if the Emperor should accept it, as Henry has no means of keeping Genoa, for the expence of sending men thither would be enormous, and the number required very large, and the voyage so long that they would lose half the men upon the road; and even if they all came, they would be unable to keep it, if the Emperor made an effort to retake it. Moreover, to use mercenaries would be attended with many difficulties, which are set forth. But it is not likely the Emperor will accept it, for, as Francis knows, the offer has already been made to him, before Henry had declared his strict alliance with Francis; and now he must regard England as his enemy, and may say that he might as well surrender the town to Francis as to Henry; so that to put forward such an offer would be wilfully to waste time. However, the King and Wolsey consent to put forward this offer at a venture, to see if anything can be got out of it. As to what Francis says, that by refusing this offer the Emperor would show clearly he had no confidence in Henry, that is nothing new, and nothing to the purpose, seeing that the king of England himself has declared war against him.

For these reasons the King and Wolsey think that if Francis wish to show his inclination for peace and the deliverance of his children, he should make no difficulty about submitting these offers to the Emperor by degrees, as hereafter will be set forth; otherwise it will be suspected that he has some object he does not wish them to know. First, however, the King and Wolsey most earnestly protest that they have no other object in their suggestions than the peace of Christendom and the recovery of the French king's children, and urge him to consider well what suspicions they must entertain so long as they see the Princes remaining hostages in the Emperor's hands, which is the only thing that keeps up his reputation, and of the terror he may cause to everybody, in comparison with which it is little to have acquired the kingdoms of Naples and Sicily, or even great part of Flanders or Spain, seeing that every one believes he will give up everything for his children, "demeurans en blancs ceulx qui trop avant se seront mis en le paternostre." But if this instrument be taken from him, it will be the first step to his thorough humiliation. In proof of his sincerity, Wolsey has entreated Du Bellay and Morette to assure Francis of his willingness to go over at Easter and take the sacrament in his presence.* The King and Wolsey are willing also, on the Emperor refusing the conditions under-mentioned, to give liberal aid, without the defiance, although they are only bound by treaty to do so on the Emperor refusing the conditions signed by the French king, among which is the revocation of his army; for now that France has gained a large portion of the kingdom of Naples, it could not be said that he renounced his title thereto without recalling it, as the renunciation would otherwise be mere words, which could easily be revoked.

England is ready to send in the beginning of July troops into France, at least if Francis will maintain them according to the overtures, provided Francis on his part will do the like, to attack Flanders; but Francis must show clearly that he will do his part. The King and Wolsey approve of the opinion of Francis that none of the allies should be informed that he is willing to listen to new overtures, and think that no one should meddle with the matter except Wolsey and lady Margaret.

The former shall send a trusty person to Francis with the offers devised by him and Henry; and he, when Francis has signified which he prefers, shall

* "leur offrant que s'il leur plaisoit la St. Louis de Pasques, auquel tout bon Chrestien doit estre en l'estat qu'il voudroit mourir, estre avec luy au saint sacrifice qu'il sera, il prendra en leur presence le corps de nostre Seigneur sur sa foy et asseurance," &c.

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proceed by post to Spain, accompanied by a servant of lady Margaret, who shall persuade the Emperor to accept them. Wolsey shall promise the Emperor on his honor that Francis will agree to the said offers. The persons sent shall be Silvestre Davir (*Darius*) and John de Faulx (*Saulx*).

If Francis prefers other offers he can add them to those sent, but he is requested to inform the bishop of Bath of them, that they may be added to the instructions of Darius.

The King and Wolsey propose that the French ambassadors now leaving Spain shall remain on the frontier till they hear of the success of these negotiations. If successful, they shall return with new powers to the Emperor to confirm the peace. Francis is requested to send such powers to his ambassadors. Those for the bishop of Worcester* and the Almoner†, shall be sent to the bishop of Bath to be shown to him. The bishop of Bath will send on the offers to the bishop of Worcester in cipher, that he may prepare the way. The king of England intended to recall his ambassadors in Spain with the French, and requested the Imperial ambassador to leave; but he said he had no commandment to do so, and would not leave without a command from the King not to stay in England. Wolsey thinks this a fortunate circumstance.

The King has, therefore, given Wolsey power to set forth such offers as he shall think good; and Wolsey requests Francis frankly to declare his will to him by his ambassadors, but nevertheless hopes he will not take ill the said overtures, seeing that it can create no danger to him to deliver Genoa, Aste and Hesdin, upon the sureties which he will receive from the Emperor, and upon the faith of the king of England, who would secure him against treachery by the Emperor.

Also, as Francis justly fears to awake the suspicions of his allies by putting any of his subjects in communication with an envoy of lady Margaret, it shall appear to be Wolsey's own act; or, if thought better, the communications shall be carried on entirely in secret. Above all, Francis is advised to consider that God has perhaps given him some advantage in his affairs that the Emperor might be more easily brought to reason, and that it would not be well to throw away the opportunity, lest on a turn of fortune the Emperor insist on other terms; that he ought now to procure the liberation of his sons at all hazards, rather than incur new losses of men and money; that he is bound by his treaties with England to be reasonable, and that he can accept the terms offered without the slightest risk.

Fr., pp. 18, *from a transcript dated in the margin:* "18 Avril 1528."

19 April. MS. 5,499, f. 162. Bibl. Nat.

161. MONTMORENCY to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE and MORETTE.

You will see by the King's letters his desire to hear what resolution has been taken by the king of England upon Morette's charge, and he is very desirous of his return. Since Morette left France, the King has been at great expence in raising lanceknights and other troops, besides the expence of Lautrec's army.

As to the prizes at sea, at the request of Henry Francis has ordered his subjects to abstain from taking any, but the Flemings have been invading the coast of Picardy and Normandy. Within the last few days they have taken three or four vessels near Boulogne, a thing England would not advise Francis to submit to.

If these things continue, they will provoke a severe revenge upon the first opportunity. Francis has, therefore, authorized his subjects to defend them-

* "Mons. de Vuyenne" in transcript.

† "Laumesines."

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selves, both in Guyenne, where the Spaniards have done much damage, and on the coasts of Brittany, Normandy, and Picardy; and he has written to Mons. De Bouvry, his vice-admiral, to put to sea to revenge these outrages. Sends an article from a letter written by Du Bies on the subject. Annet, 19 April.

Fr., pp. 3, *from a transcript.*

28 April. **162.** PROPOSITIONS FOR PEACE.

MS. 5,499, f. 3. Bibl. Nat.

Proposals of Wolsey for a peace between Charles V. and Francis I., conveyed to the latter by Morette, 28 April 1528.

The King and Wolsey recommend,—(1) that when peace is made between the Emperor and Francis, the latter shall deliver to the Emperor the sum already agreed upon in ready money, and the sureties already offered for the remainder, in which case the king of England, having first obtained of the Emperor the indemnity of his promise, obligation and hostages sufficient, shall bind himself to Francis to restore his children, and on their being restored Francis shall recall his army; for security of which recall, and for restitution of the towns acquired in the kingdom of Naples, the king of England, having first obtained sureties of Francis, shall bind himself with him to the Emperor under a penalty of a million and a half, with this addition, that in case Francis do not presently withdraw his army and restore the said towns, England shall take part with the Emperor against him. (2) A day shall be arranged on which the towns of Genoa, Aste, and Hesdin shall be restored to the Emperor. That same day 1,200,000 cr. shall be paid by Francis, bonds being given for the surplus; and the Dauphin shall be delivered the same instant. And to remove any suspicion that the Emperor may entertain from not hearing of the delivery of the towns, Francis shall place hostages in the hands of the king of England, who shall be delivered up to the Emperor, if the towns have not been surrendered on the day fixed. Likewise the Emperor shall bind himself and deliver hostages to England, that, without waiting for news of the restitution of the towns, he will accept the 1,200,000 cr. and sureties, and deliver the Dauphin, so that if he do not fulfil his promise England may deliver his hostages to Francis. A day shall also be assigned for the recall of the army, which shall be inserted apart in the treaty of peace, and for this the duke of Orleans shall remain a hostage, as in the first and second articles delivered to the bishop of Bath; and it would be very desirable that in all the treaties where mention is made of hostages from the Emperor, the nobles of Spain should bind themselves for greater surety,—a point which should be urged as strongly as possible; but in default of it, the following alternatives are proposed. (3) That between the Emperor and Francis peace shall be arranged, and the latter, showing the first token of confidence, shall deliver the above towns and places; which done, immediately at Bayonne, or on these frontiers, he shall have ready 1,200,000 cr., and obligations for the remainder; at which time the Dauphin and the said money and obligations shall be delivered on either side, the duke of Orleans still remaining in the Emperor's hands as a hostage for the recall of the army and the restitution of the towns which shall have been acquired in the kingdom of Naples. Francis shall be bound to make this restitution immediately on the delivery of the Dauphin, and, that being done, the Emperor shall be bound to set at liberty the duke of Orleans; for security of which the obligation and oath of the Emperor will be enough, because the withdrawal of the army and the restitution of the places taken in Naples will be of more consequence to him than the retention of the duke of Orleans. Thus each party in turn will have placed some confidence in the other.

Articles 4 to 9 are mere variations of the preceding alternatives.

Fr., pp. 10, *from a transcript.*

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MS. Colbert, 468, V. p. 577.

163. Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Is writing to Francis. Has considered well all that he has written. Found Wolsey on Saturday in such perplexity that he did not expect so good an issue. I think God helped me to reply to him. I would not promise always to make so good an answer. I believe he will be much vexed if they do not trust him with this amplification of articles (*de user de cette ampliation d'articles*), and that not accepting it, this contribution passed for this season, he will not readily take the burden again upon his shoulders.* I say advisedly, this burden, for assuredly it is he who bears it towards the King his master, who loves to spend money, and very few of his counsel advise him so, least of all to go to war, whatever good might come of it. Think, then, what they can do when they don't expect any advantage. To persuade them to concurrence he was obliged to suggest to them that the Emperor would not refuse the offers; and now that they see what has come of it they would cry murder on him if they dared, as he is not without fear they will. I know he takes all possible pains to vindicate the conduct of Francis. He asked me why Francis wished to send a gentleman? I said I did not know, unless it was to explain to him why he had not accepted all his articles. He shook his head slightly, and said they did not need to use so much respect towards him, and that I could explain to him more in an hour than a gentleman could in a day, especially as they do not understand him except through an interpreter. I have often told you they take pleasure, in my opinion, in having gentlemen here frequently; there are so many presents given. I should be very sorry you thought they annoyed me. Nothing could be more agreeable to me, for several reasons. I am more troubled with this Chancellor than with the affairs of Francis; but, in truth, I care little about him and his great horses (swaggering), for he cannot do more harm than he has done to me and my brother. I think, in speaking to the bishop of Bath, he means to make open war on the Legate. If so, he will make a wound that all Auvergne and all the herbs of Limaigue will not heal; for you know whether Wolsey is a man to wear his heart upon his sleeve. "J'entendz bien que par ce chemin me feray tout d'or si n'y a-t-il remede." Writes about it to the queen of Navarre, and hopes she will take the matter up. You know what cause I have had to complain of him, but the consequences must be left to God. Would rather be thought unwise now than be charged with remissness hereafter.

You may be sure the matter of the contribution would have gone on much better if I had been informed that Francis had approved of the truce, and how affairs stood in Italy, &c. I am at a great disadvantage when they know everything and I nothing. I have already asked Morette and Castillon to urge this on you. You had better write to me that you perceive from my letters how entirely devoted Wolsey is to France. Wolsey is informed that the Pope is willing to wait still in the matter about Ravenna and Cervia. The lords have been sent into the country,—among others, Norfolk, who is at home in great danger from a catarrh. The captains who were beginning to muster are countermanded. Expects instructions about the answer of the truce. Has done what he could about Gueldres. What I have written in the end of the King's letter is not as advocate for one or other party, but merely that you may see how matters stand. "Au surplus, Monseigneur, si jusques icy avez ung peu point ceulx de deça bien de par Dieu; mais je crois que c'est assez." Nothing is more true than that Wolsey did not wish the King (Francis?) to understand it in full, and perhaps he would not have taken it over well. You know they will hardly ever admit that they have been wrong. "Je ne dis pas que d'une touche y

* "et que ne l'acceptant cette contribution passé pour cette saison, il n'entreprendra aisément de reprendre ce faix sur ses espaulles de faire redoubler à l'advenir."

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ait eu mal qui n'eust particularisé sur mons. le Legat, car on s'en pouvait bien passer."

Has been waiting all day for the packet Wolsey asked him to prepare. London, 20 May.

The Venetian ambassador was with Wolsey yesterday. He is quite in despair, but I shall take care that nothing is spoiled.

Fr., pp. 6, *from a transcript.*

. . May. MS. 5,499, p. 26. Bibl. Nat.

164. PROPOSALS FOR PEACE.

"Discours des conditions et moyens de paix praticquez par mons. le Legat en Angleterre pour icelle accorder entre l'Empereur et le Roy tres Chrestien."

The following opinion of the King and Legate has been debated by their Council, and put in writing to be sent to Francis by the bishop of Bayonne and Morette, in accordance with what the bishop of Bath will inform him.

Wm. des Barres, lady Margaret's secretary, being in London before Easter eve, came on Monday morning with the Imperial ambassador and John de Saulx to inform the Legate that Madame, in her desire for peace, would communicate the Legate's proposals to the chief lords of the Low Countries, in order that an opinion may be sent to the Emperor which may induce him to preserve the peace of Christendom. L'escuyer —— has already been sent with letters on this subject from various lords to the Emperor and his chancellor. Madame and her Council think the Emperor will accept the offer contained in the 14th article of the obligations mentioned below. The Legate showed them reasons against the articles, and advises the delivery of Genoa, Aste and Hesdin to the king of England, or, at least, of hostages as security that when these towns are surrendered by the French king the Emperor will perform his part, and set free the Princes. He told them that there was no means of bringing the French king to any other overture, and that even now he has not consented to this, although Wolsey has urged him to do so. They assured Wolsey that, if this method does not take effect, Madame Margaret would not meddle further, being assured it would be useless, as the Emperor may be expected to be obstinate in consequence of the news of the loss received by Monseigneur de ———* in Naples, and the overtures of Milan, and he would not like to throw away all the expence he has incurred in military preparations. Finally, he told them how doubtful it was whether Francis would approve of these conditions, which he had taken great pains to make him do; and he gave them reasons why Madame should not object to the delivery of hostages to the king of England.

Afterwards he proposed that Francis should deliver to the Emperor Aste and Hesdin, Genoa remaining until the liberation of the Dauphin, or that he should first deliver Genoa, and the other two towns remain, so that meanwhile the remainder of the conditions in the 4th chapter of the conditions specified below should be retained.

To this the ambassadors replied that there was no objection to proposing the overtures about the hostages to Madame Margaret if she can be induced to propose them to the Emperor. The seigneur de Marnech shall be sent to the Emperor, going first to Paris, where the bishop of Bath shall procure him a safe-conduct. Silvester Devir (Darius?) shall accompany him, charged with offers to be made to the Emperor. If, however, the French king does not approve of the offers advised by Henry and Wolsey, and the bishop of Bath has no hope of success, "s'en retourneront le dit De Marnech que Silvestre en arrive."

Henry and Wolsey have taken much trouble in this matter, and do not think that the French king will refuse the 4th article, if modified with

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advantageous conditions. If the Emperor, however, entirely refuses, they advise the King to consider the matter himself, protesting that they have given him such advice as they would themselves have acted on in a similar case. Seeing that there is fear of exciting the Flemings, he has showed the French ambassadors his desire to avoid war, and he does not think that the Emperor will refuse the said 4th article, as both he and his master had told the provost of Cassel, when returning to Madame Margaret, that they were resolved to make war at the beginning of June, so that if the Imperialists wished to come to terms they must do so quickly; whereupon Madame sent back William des Barres immediately, while Marnech waited at Valenciennes so as not to lose time. Both she and her ambassadors declared that they were certain that the Emperor would not refuse Des Barres' offer, the seigneur de Montfort being with her, and knowing the Emperor's mind. Besides, the Imperial ambassador being told to leave England refused, unless the King would not suffer him to stay in his country, for he did not think peace was hopeless.

The King and Wolsey therefore earnestly request Francis not to lose this opportunity of obtaining peace for Christendom and recovering his children.

Wolsey also wishes to remind the King of the Emperor's demand, which he thinks Francis ought to grant, if nothing better can be obtained, that on withdrawal of the French army, and surrender of the places already mentioned, the Emperor will restore the Princes for the aforesaid sum of money. This method Wolsey thinks secure for Francis, for the hostages having left Spain, and the Emperor remaining there, he would not dare to break his word. He begs Francis to consider this well, for there will be no question of anything but the retreat of the army and surrender of the towns, as the money will not be paid until the deliverance of the Princes.

The Imperial ambassadors would agree to the surrender of the towns by the French king to the king of Portugal, but not to the duke of Savoy, whose nephew the French king is, nor to a certain number of cardinals, who might wish to revenge the injuries they have suffered from the Emperor.

Wolsey thinks no harm could arise from a truce for this side of the mountains during the negotiations; but if Francis thinks otherwise, he might send to the bishop of Bayonne a power to conclude it, which should not be used except by his master's special order; but if it was necessary hereafter, it would save much time for the Bishop to have it with him.

Fr., pp. 12, *from a transcript.*

4 May. Colbert MS. 468, *f.* 82. Bibl. Nat.

165. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Has communicated the letters of Francis to Wolsey. Could not make out, even by his countenance, that he was well satisfied with the overtures for peace.

He began again about these reasons, but I cut him short, having done what I could for his satisfaction, and told him that Francis was quite determined; on which he expressed himself in their favor, and said Francis could not have done better. He is waiting to hear from the bishop of Bath. I will not fail to follow the way marked out by the King's letters. Wolsey says that the English will be ready to descend in Flanders by the middle of June.

Excuses himself for having spoken about his long stay here.

I had great difficulty in persuading the Legate that matters had been well looked to, because I showed no attestation from you; for he trusts in your management of affairs that touch his master, and hears on all sides that you favor his affairs. He is satisfied with the power, but has not used it in speaking of the truce, but only in general. He has not yet decided about

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the restitution of what is now held in the kingdom of Naples, which has always been your terms. London, 4 May.

Sends him a "rhetorique nouvelle" from Flanders. Mons. le Bailly has told me of the defeat of the Marquis; at which Wolsey is much pleased.

Fr., pp. 3, from a transcript.

13 May. Colbert MS. 468, p. 85. Bibl. Nat.

166. Du Bellay to Montmorency.

This morning Wolsey sent for me to tell me of his discussion yesterday with the Imperial ambassador and lady Margaret's secretaries, and of the manner in which he had urged the King to come to the truce, and also to consult, in the presence of the bishop of London, Fitzwilliam, More, and Brian Tuke, of the matter contained in Francis' letter of the 21st. Has been occupied with the subject all day, and has done his best to preserve the interests of Francis. They wished me to accept as an improvement the change from an armed force to a contribution, but I considered it the contrary. I have been much urged to agree to this contribution at the term of four months. Will not state the reasons he gave in opposition. Compelled them to go back to the terms in his letter, that they should make a corresponding contribution, equivalent to what they would have spent in a war. This they estimated at 32,000 cr. If he can get no more, thinks he will not do ill if he secure 40,000 cr. without term prefixed.

They insisted for a long time that they could not make war by sea against Spain, but he gained his point with some difficulty. As to the form of the truce, yesterday the Spaniard spoke in a boasting manner, and has been very urgent to wait until June (*fit fort le brave, et a fait grande instance d'attendre le mois de Juin*). Hears from Du Biez that Fiennes is making large musters. Does not know if the English wished to delay on this account, and as an excuse for not sending the men of the Lord Chamberlain, who will, without doubt, leave tomorrow.

Has engaged to get the truce published as soon as it is passed and sworn. Is to confer about it with the English and Imperial ambassadors tomorrow.

They wish somewhat to modify his memorandum, and also the power and the articles, for which he will have to stay up all night. Hopes nothing important will be altered, except changing the 800,000 cr. for the Dauphin to 1,200,000; but they decline to come to a conclusion till they hear from the bishop of Bath. They have been rather unmanageable about the proposals of Francis. Is certain they would like to publish the truce in four days, and have it published in Flanders at the same time, or at the latest in eight days. Thinks the sooner the better.

Desires that orders be given in Picardy accordingly. London, 13 May.

Fr., pp. 4, from a transcript.

14 May. MS. 5,499, f. 13. Bibl. Nat.

167. The Truce.

Truce for eight months, concluded between the ambassadors of the Emperor, Francis I., and Henry VIII., subject to the consent of their princes, to be signified to Wolsey in 12 days. London, 14 May 1528.

Fr., pp. 6, from a transcript.

15 May. Colbert MS. 468, f. 90. Bibl. Nat.

168. Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Asks for an answer to his letter to the King. Had never so much trouble in preventing himself from letting things slip (*de passer les choses*) as yesterday. You will see what the Legate refuses to grant. Dom Diego (Inigo) de Mandosse extolled the Emperor and his deeds highly. Protested that I would not discuss the matter with him, as he knew well how the dispute between our masters stood.

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Wolsey told lady Margaret's secretaries that if they did not agree to the truce on my articles, the French king would withdraw in consequence of the success of Lautrec; and he bade me recount the recent news I had received. When I mentioned the disaster of the Marquis del Guasto, Mendoza became quite furious, and threatened he would have laid hands on me if we had been outside. Could not help laughing, and asked him whether it would be with his crosier or his bauble. Afterwards, when I made my protest to Wolsey, he allowed me to speak without taking it ill. I said that he had not acted honorably, and that if he did not execute his threat, I should not consider him a gentleman, but if he did, I hoped to give him a good drubbing; protesting that I spoke neither as a bishop nor as an ambassador. His chancellors replied that when he spoke of *un coup*, not knowing French well, he meant *un coup de langue*. I said that I was contented with this retractation. It would have been fine sport to have seen us fight with our crosiers and mitres. His chancellors had before asked me not to take it ill, as Spanish lords were naturally hot-blooded. The end was that he was thought an archfool. During the skirmish, Wolsey tried to pacify us, and refused me audience, but afterwards congratulated me on the way I had done my duty. Asks for a reply and instructions. London, 15 May.

Lady Margaret's ambassadors are sending letters also this morning. If there had not been this difficulty, we should gain a month, or at least half, but I have not dared to exceed my orders.

Fr., pp. 3, *from a transcript.*

16 May. MS. 5,499, f. 24. Bibl. Nat.

169. FRANCIS I.

Instructions for Morette the second time that he was sent into England.

Francis I. sends Morette to complain to Henry of his unwillingness to join him in a war against the Emperor in Flanders and elsewhere. If he continue to refuse, the French people will grudge the tribute of salt promised to him.

Fr., pp. 5, *from a transcript.*

16 May. MS. 5,499, f. 30. Bibl. Nat.

170. FRANCIS I.

"Abrégé faict de l'esclaircissement qui se pourroit faire des articles portez par Messire Silvestre pour estre proposez à l'Empereur."

Setting forth various considerations leading to the conclusion that Francis need run no risk for the sake of peace, except Aste and Hesdin, for the revocation of the army of the Sieur de St. Paul ought not to be so considered, and the money will not be paid except upon the delivery of the children; so that if Francis will be reasonable, he should have them in his hands before Christmas, or at all events before Candlemas; and if he consents to this, he has only to send some one to Spain to join with Silvester and the other ambassadors, and with power to conclude; but if he think he has greater security by the overture of Salviati, Wolsey agrees that he should pursue it.

ii. Observations by Francis I. on eight propositions submitted to him by the bishop of Bath for peace, and the deliverance of his children, showing that they are all prejudicial and hazardous to him, and making counter proposals.

Fr., pp. 10, *from a transcript.*

23 May. MS. 5,499, f. 165. Bibl. Nat.

171. FRANCIS I. to DU BELLAY.

Has received his letter describing what has been arranged, subject to the pleasure of Francis, concerning this truce, and the urgency of Wolsey that Francis should accept it. Although he has no other inducement to do

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so, is willing to agree to it for Wolsey's satisfaction. Commands what he has done in urging the contribution and loan (*commutation*) for the war in Italy. Desires him to get it continued during the term of the truce, showing the King and Wolsey that Francis is not less friendly than he was last year, and that he has now very heavy expences.

The alteration the English wish to make in Du Bellay's powers is not agreeable to him.

The subjoined article will show what he wishes altered. As to the amended draft of the truce, desires that the provision that each party should return to their former possessions should be expressed in general terms, and some other modifications made.

Has given orders for the publication of the truce in Picardy and along the frontiers. Hopes the King and Wolsey will appreciate the motives which have induced him to alter the draft.

Sends letters from Lautrec. St. Germain en Laye, 23 May.

Fr., pp. 6, *from a transcript.*

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172. WOLSEY'S COLLEGES.

Confirmation of a bull, dated Orvieto, 31 May 1528,* for transferring Snape, Dodenesch, Wykys, Horkesley, Typtre, and Stanesgate to Wolsey's college at Ipswich.

May. MS. 5,499, p. 11. Bibl. Nat.

173. WAR WITH CHARLES V.

Discourse held in May between Wolsey and the duke of Suffolk touching the war to be undertaken against the Emperor in case peace be not made between him and Francis.

The King and Wolsey, having discussed with Suffolk the conduct of the said war, propose to deliver to Francis three overtures touching the form of the aid to be given him in an invasion of the Low Countries; viz., either to adhere to the treaty for offensive war, and send 10,000 English foot, or two other alternatives.

Wolsey and Suffolk have discussed the matter together privately, without speaking to the King their master, or any of his councillors, but have mentioned it in confidence to the bishop of Bayonne, to inform the King his master, for whose benefit the whole enterprise is to be undertaken, that he may himself indicate by Du Bellay which of the three ways he should prefer. Objections to employing too many mercenaries, and suggestions of the danger that might arise from a large number of French and English being brought together, and quarrelling about lodgings or provisions.

Fr., pp. 6, *from a transcript.*

May. MS. 5,499, f. 37. Bibl. Nat.

174. CHARLES V.

Power given to Margaret of Savoy to treat for peace with the duchess of Angoulême.

Fr., pp. 4, *from a transcript.*

4 June. Colbert MS. 468, p. 604. Bibl. Nat.

175. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Has had no news from him. Morette will tell him everything. Begs Montmorency to use extreme diligence, and much thought in his answer. London, 4 June.

Wolsey desires to know whether the limits of the truce at sea will be Bayonne or elsewhere, that the English merchants may be informed. Asks

* This bull differs from either of the similar instruments, No. 4307 (3, 4,) of the same date.

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if he shall make any concessions beyond his instructions, in matters not prejudicial to the King's interest.

Would rather be in the Indies than in his present torment. Asks if he shall follow the last minute, which ends thus: "Le tout accordé soubz le bon plaisir des princes."

Does not know how to act concerning the final restrictions, which annul all that precedes. Thinks Montmorency will approve of the words of the intercourse. There is no need for suspicion that the English are acting deceitfully, though of course every one looks after his own interest.

Fr., pp. 2, from a transcript.

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176. JOHN KNOLLES to MASTER CHAMBERLAIN.

Chamberlain's servant, Rob. Chambar, and Master Carro's servant, remain in Calais till the King send a discharge to the council of Calais. The poor man is distressed at not hearing from Chamberlain in answer to his letters. Understands that Mr. Ellyat has made a riot of the business beside Woodstock, when Chamberlain met him hunting, and has almost undone the poor men of Woodstock by summoning them to London at their own cost. My lord Cardinal has made him clerk of the Council. Mr. Carro is in sanctuary in his own country, merry and in good health, thank God. There is a kinsman of Chamberlain's wife in Calais, named Master Harryngton. Had liever than 20 nobles he had known it when Chamberlain was here. He has become surety for his servant, and advises Chamberlain to come to the sanctuary of Fremmyngam beside St. Thomas, 15 English miles out of Calais. He is willing to pay his costs to the extent of 40 crowns. Advises Chamberlain and Rogers to send him a letter of thanks with these words: "Cousin Harryngton, I desire you as unacquainted to help me now at my great need, and I shall deserve it to you and ever I come to my lands,"—adding that he will repay all he lays out on recovering his liberty. If Harrington send this money, Knolles will bring it himself. Desires to know where he shall find Chamberlain in Rone.

Hol., pp. 2. Add.: To the ryght worshypful Master Chambarlyn or elles to Master Rojars thys be delyveryd at Roan.

The second page headed: From Calles on Trynyte Sonday.

10 June. Colbert MS. 468, f. 617. Bibl. Nat.

177. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Writes to the King and to the councillors, who are still at Paris, in answer to their letter to himself and Morette, who, they thought, was still here. Hopes for news from France on Friday or Saturday. Thinks that the cartel should be well considered. The English have suspended theirs until they see the effect of Silvester's journey. Wolsey thinks that both should be delivered at once, and that we ought to shut our eyes to everything until the Princes are recovered; after which we can do marvels. He will show the Emperor that he does not carry his heart in his sleeve, and that he has gained nothing by his insults. He is in great trouble about their matter with the Pope. The bishop of Bath wrote that he sent letters from Doctor Stephen, but they were not found in the packet, which looked as if it had been opened. He says the packet passed through the hands of Montmorency and others. Assured him that Montmorency was not to blame. If he sees that he is being used in this way, matters will go terribly ill. He told me that Gregory Casale suspected the Pope would take the other side if the lanceknights came near him. News has come from Antwerp that he and the marquis of Mantua have secretly agreed with the Emperor; but lies are frequent in that quarter. Reminds him of what Gambara said in the winter, that if Francis did not grant the request of his Holiness, especially about Ravenna and Cervia, he

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would rather give himself up to his greatest enemy than not find a remedy; and that the marquis of Mantua would do what the Pope told him. He has now allowed men to be levied by his relations and in his country, for the enemy.

Reminds him also of the phrase in L'Alemand's letter, that great things would be seen in Italy this year. A descent of lanceknights is no such great affair. But if the Pope sees he cannot make good his pretensions to Ravenna and Cervia, Florence and Ferrara, when Francis remains master in Italy, I do not see how we ought to trust him. Cannot help thinking frequently of Gambara's words, which were "horriblement haultes." Pistoye would probably tone them down (*rabaisser*), who, as you know, is a good Imperialist.

You must make good cheer for the bishop of Bath, who has not spoilt matters, as you think. Wolsey says that you were somewhat more offended when the articles of peace were debated than he should have expected, considering the trust he has in you. It is necessary to show these people open friendship and trust, and then you will find the Legate such as you wish.

Complains of not receiving any money, and of the increase of his expences. Reminds Montmorency of his promise to recommend him if anything became vacant. London, 10 June.

I have been waiting for Wolsey's letters about Silvester. Tonight he sent a man express to know what had become of Stephen's letter. I think I have removed all suspicions of you. Since this morning till now, 2 a.m., we have been disputing with lady Margaret's ambassadors at Hampton Court, and have agreed upon the form sent by Morette, with a slight exception. Wolsey has worked very hard. There is also some specification of a truce at sea, to hold good this side of Spain. Thus we can attack the Spaniards in their ports, but they cannot attack us in ours. Tomorrow morning they go to London, and return by midday to sign. 10 June.

Fr., pp. 5, from a transcript.

[—June.] **178.** CAPITULATION WITH THE POPE.

MS. 5,499, f. 33. Bibl. Nat.

Opinion of Wolsey concerning the difficulty with the duke of Ferrara, and whether the capitulation of the Imperialists with the Pope should be divulged.

Advises Francis to keep on good terms both with the Pope and the duke of Ferrara, as the friendship of the latter may be of great service in Italy, and that, if the Emperor cannot be brought to reason otherwise, the disgraceful capitulation made by him with the Pope should be published in Spain.

Fr., pp. 5, from a transcript.

22 June. **179.** DU BELLAY to the CHANCELLOR, ARCHBISHOP OF BOURGES and FIRST PRESIDENT.

MS. 5,499, f. 68. Bibl. Nat.

Believes they will have received full satisfaction on the points contained in their letter by the arrival of Morette with Francis. The difficulty of the English about the article of the intercourse is owing to some dispute with the Flemings; on which the writer speaks at much length. Observations on some of the other articles, and the fact of Gueldres not being comprehended. Has not mentioned hitherto his suspicion that the secretaries would break off and go away. Was not sure of it till today, when he was informed by Wolsey of an intimation he had received from a gentleman whom the King keeps secretly in the court of the lady Margaret, that she alone is for the truce, and that all the Council is opposed to it. The arrival of Du Ru and your forces in Italy, and the fact that those on this side have sent home their men, are additional encouragements to the war party. Has made representations to Wolsey about the

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style in which the Chancellor should be mentioned. He consents, since you attach so much importance to it. What moved him to the contrary was the great desire he and Montmorency both have that everything said in the name of the two Kings should appear to be in perfect conformity, and should seem to the world to indicate not a mere fraternity, but one spirit. Assures the Chancellor he himself has not been officious in the matter. Wolsey is much gratified with the news from Naples. London, 22 June.

Fr., pp. 9, from a transcript.

[— June.] MS. 5,499, f. 63. Bibl. Nat.

180. DU BELLAY and MORETTE to FRANCIS I.

Was with Wolsey eight days ago at Hampton Court. Communicated to him Francis' letter of the 14th, with which he was greatly pleased, seeing the great confidence you repose in him. He gave them at one time to his secretary to take to the King, but withdrew them immediately on account of an article referring to the obligation you demanded for the contribution granted to you.

I wished, however, to send him the copies of your letters to the Pope about the King's affair, and to Monseigneur Dauranches (prince of Orange) about the matter of Ravenna and Cervia,* which gave him very great satisfaction; but as to the bond you ask for, of which I showed him the draft, he said he could not believe such a thing was proposed with your assent, considering the great expressions of confidence you had used to the bishop of Bath, and the letters Madame had written him; and for his own part he would rather have suffered a great loss than that such a thing should have come to the knowledge of his master after all his efforts to preserve unity between you.

He hoped that Francis would give his entire confidence to him, and dwelt very long upon this subject,—of which Du Bellay has already written frequently; besides that, he spoke to very much the same effect when Morette was here. In the end he said that if you insisted on so strict a bond, you could not refuse one on your side. He knows well his master will not refuse it, but wishes you to consider the consequences well beforehand, and said that if England had wished, they could have found plenty of excuses before granting the contribution. In short, that if you continued in this fashion, you would prejudice your interests with the King, your good brother, beyond recovery. Endeavored to show that Francis had no distrust of Wolsey or the King, and avoided for the time insisting on the obligation. In the middle of their conversation news came that five or six of Wolsey's household had taken the sweat, and their interview was broken off. Gave Wolsey the copy of the letters of the Emperor to the president Calvimont; which he was very glad of, hoping that if your cartel is delivered to him (Calvimont?) he cannot take it without a special charge (*sinon en autre charge*), which will obviate the danger of frustrating the negotiations for peace already begun, and of which Wolsey says he has great hopes from letters received today from the bishop of Worcester, stating that the Emperor was expecting two persons from England and Flanders. Has been waiting for news from Francis to give him an opportunity of returning to Wolsey to see if he could not come back upon the subject of the obligation; not that he thinks it expedient in the interest of Francis, but in order to fulfil his commands; but not having this opportunity, has thought it unadvisable to delay this despatch.

Has been protesting for six months that he lives under a burden, and has no means of getting on.

Fr., pp. 5, from a transcript.

* "Ravenne de Venise," in the transcript.

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MS. 5,499, f. 179. Bibl. Nat.

181. FRANCIS I. to DU BELLAY.

Has seen by his letters to the Grand Master what he has been able to do to set things right about the truce. As nothing more can be done, it remains to see that each party observe it strictly. Guillaume des Barres, secretary of the lady Margaret, came to him at Paris with the ratification of his mistress. Despatched him again in the company of La Chargerye (Hargerie), by whom Francis has sent his own ratification, and the release of the goods of the Emperor's subjects in France. Has also despatched one of his *valets de chambre* to the duke of Gueldres, whom he is resolved not to abandon. Sends a copy of an intercepted letter of the prince of Orange to show the King and Wolsey the extremity to which the Imperialists are reduced in Naples. By a letter of Lautrec of the 20th ult., wine and meat had failed them, and they were reduced to such necessity that Lautrec hoped in a few days to be able to return and chase back from Lombardy the succours which had arrived there. These latter have not done much, but have allowed St. Pôl to assemble his forces, both Swiss and lanceknights and foot of the dukedom of Milan. Has every hope of his success. The expences of Francis, however, are so great, that he wishes Henry would immediately send him the contribution of Italy as agreed to by Morette and Du Bellay; but Du Bellay must not press this in such a way as to show distrust. You will have seen what I lately wrote to the Pope with my own hand, by the copy which I sent you, and the instructions which I gave to the viscount of Turenne in going to his Holiness for the despatch of Dr. Stephen and the other ambassadors of my good brother. And although cardinal [Campeggio] has been dispatched by his Holiness to come hither, to whom Francis has commanded the seigneur de Barbezieulx, the captain general of his navy, to offer a number of galleys for his passage, yet, having seen some discussions touching this affair by intercepted letters of the envoy of the prince of Orange with the Pope, he has thought it best to send the original to be shown to Wolsey. Is anxious to be informed of the health of the King and Wolsey, and whether the sweat has abated. Fontainebleau, 9 July.

Fr., pp. 5, from a transcript, dated in the margin at the head: "29 Juillet."

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MS. 5,499, f. 181. Bibl. Nat.

182. FRANCIS I. to DU BELLAY.

Has received his letters of the 30th ult., of the difficulties which have been made about the obligation sent to him, the negotiations for the truce, the contribution of Italy, &c. And although they ought not to take suspicion now about what they did not refuse to the bishop of Tarbes, viz., about the [pay for the] first months which they agreed to at Amiens for Lautrec, nevertheless Du Bellay is to say that Francis relies so entirely upon their promise, that he requires no other obligation than what they will see reasonable; and, without pressing them too far, Du Bellay may show them the note sent herewith, showing that the sum of ——— is still required after deducting what Francis ought to contribute for the term of May. Is to remind Wolsey that he had promised that Francis might always have recourse to him, and trusts that he will bring these pecuniary discussions to a happy conclusion, as the success of their common enterprises depends on it. Fontainebleau, 23 July.

Fr., pp. 2, from a transcript.

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MS. 5,499, f. 25. Bibl. Nat.

183. MONEY LENT TO FRANCIS I.

Obligation d'une contribution accordée par le roy d'Angleterre au roy tres Chrestien de 32,826 escus durant six mois pour l'entretenement de la guerre contre l'Empereur.

Fr., pp. 4, from a transcript.

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18 July. **184.** [WILLIAM LORD DACRE] to HENRY VIII.
R. O. Received on the 9th July, by a servant of his cousin, Sir Thomas Clifford, his letter, dated at Hertford Castle, 26 June. [See No. 4419.] When the King appointed my lord of Cumberland warden of the West Marches, my Lord my father made over to him the lands in question, being but 32 acres, lovingly and kindly, with his other offices held of the King. He had the letting of them for full two years while he was officer; but since his own appointment Dacre has let them this year to tenants, who have sown them with corn, now growing. Hopes that his tenants will not be molested. There are but three meadows belonging to the demesnes of Carlisle, of which Cumberland has occupied two, and Dacre the other. Naward, 18 July.
Pp. 2. *Headed:* Copy of the letter sent unto the King's highness.

185. [DU BELLAY to ———.]
MS. 5,499, f. 28. Bibl. Nat. It is more than a month since you had letters from your good brother, desiring me to urge Wolsey to find means to get the article of the truce reformed by Madame Margaret, in which mention is made of the goods of your mother. It has not been my fault that I have not obtained it sooner; but at the time a plague had suddenly broken out, called the sweat, which reduced Wolsey to such extremity that he withdrew into a corner of his great house, not knowing whither to go; and only four men in his house remained well. For a long time he remained doing nothing but what men are accustomed to do in hourly expectation of death. I sent to him more than ten times to no purpose, and when things began to look better, I fell ill myself; so that I have been obliged to wait 15 days before I could have access to him, even on the King's business. I then obtained the despatch which I send, addressed to the English ambassador for greater security. If matters are not passed as much to the advantage of your house as you would like, no one regrets it more than I. Nothing was more vigorously debated, and I could do no more. Might have succeeded better in defending myself if I had had the treaty of Madrid which I have so often asked for, but things were conducted in such a fashion that the Flemings had the better of us in the matter of Gueldres and others. I believe your brother will tell you the cause. The Flemings saw clearly that neither we nor the English could make war upon them, owing to our delays. Have done the very utmost for the King and Madame. I went even the length of protesting that I would leave without being quit of my charge; but I have not been in a position to do anything. I fear much that the best security for my *congé* at present lies either in the conclusion of peace, or in some dissatisfaction that I may have given. The envoy they have sent to the Emperor will have been heard on St. James's day at Valladolid. He is a good and honorable personage, and if the Emperor remain obstinate I think the English will not abandon us. I beg you not to be dissatisfied, you being in Paradise, if my news be old before reaching you.

You may have information by your brother of everything. It is true that you have been at court some time, but I was only informed of it after your departure.
Fr., pp. 4, *from a transcript.*

28 July. **186.** DU BELLAY to FRANCIS I.
MS. 5,499, f. 78. Bibl. Nat. Since he wrote on the 16th went ten days ago to Wolsey to have an answer about the advance demanded by Francis for the contribution. Has waited till now, and has at last been paid a sum of 30,000 cr., which he sent over at once, as the Grand Master wished all diligence to be used. Forwards his receipt, and asks the King to send a quittance, when Wolsey will

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send him in return a quittance of what is due of Henry's pension and his own.

The day for commencing the contribution is not yet decided.

Has not yet been able to come to any agreement about the duke of Gueldres, as Wolsey says that he will send to his master to know his intention. If the matter is concluded as Francis wishes, thinks there will be some delay. Wolsey told me that the Duke had lost Vorth, and suggested that he should surrender the lands of the Bishop now in his possession, and thus enter the truce, as the feeling against him is very strong, and his enemies would spare nothing, which would cause Francis great expence, without much profit to the Duke.

Wolsey is vexed that Francis has not sent the ratification and Du Bellay's power; not that he distrusts the King, but that the people here may not think that he is careless about his master's affairs.

Said it was only forgetfulness,—which he took in good part; but Du Bellay wishes that they had been sent already, for carefulness in these little things will make the King think that Francis esteems his friendship.

Wolsey thanks Francis for his anxiety for his and the King's health. The plague is abating. He was glad to hear the news in Francis' letters of . . . and has communicated them to the King. He hopes the lanceknights will make a last effort in Lombardy, that they may not be reproached with retreating without doing anything.

About one thing he complains bitterly, that when the English gentleman who was sent in May to Spain fell ill at Bourdeaux, and forwarded to Bayonne his charge for the English ambassadors in Spain, and the memoranda for Silvester's safe-conduct, there was so much delay that the English merchants have suffered great loss. He is much surprised that while they are sparing nothing to assist the French, the latter should make their expenditure of no effect; and that if by underhand means persons sent by common consent are stopped, it will be a waste of time to meddle any more.

Advises Francis to let him know that it was not done with his knowledge, and that he is vexed at it. Wolsey says he has heard that the Emperor would return to Valladolid on St. James's day, which he had appointed for giving audience to Silvester; and also that he had made the lords of Spain take an oath to his son as if he meant to go to Flanders. If he does this Wolsey says that he will never go back to Spain.

He was pleased that the Emperor had a daughter, as there might be means of making an alliance with France.

Said this was not the first time Wolsey had made fun of him, but he would take it patiently. He was pleased with this answer. Has always used similar language to the King. London, 28 July.

Fr., pp 5, from a transcript.

28 July. MS. 5,499, f. 81. Bibl. Nat.

187. Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Did not go to Wolsey so soon as he wrote that he would, but waited two days after writing a letter to Vannes, which he expected Wolsey would see and lay before the King, and thus shorten the matter of the contribution. You will see the issue. I do not send the whole sum, because I have delivered part for you, and have retained 500,000 cr. Begs that he himself be paid as promptly as possible, for his credit is exhausted. You will see there is some loss on the value of the money, the angelot being only 67 sous 6 deniers, and the crown of the sun only 40 sous 6 deniers.

As to the day the contribution is to commence, Morette and I have been deceived. I thought for certain it would have been June 1st, and I knew Wolsey was persuaded of it; but since he has received answer from Francis he is fixed on having it the middle of June. Never had so much trouble to gain a point. Showed him memoranda that I had written in his presence

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and by his command, but he disavowed them all. I said to him with humility some bitter and piquant things that I would rather have been in [purgatory]* than have said by command, but as they only came of myself they could do no harm;—besides, I have always been his great favorite, and he would not let me return but with a promise to visit him shortly and hunt. Finally we came to consider that we were both very good fellows.† But he made me this offer, that it should be put to the honor of Morette; and if he affirmed as a gentleman that it was as I said, he would pay the remainder, not out of the King his master's money, as regards whom the matter was settled, but out of his own purse; but he was sure Morette was too honest to deny that the commencement should be on the day the treaty was concluded.

You will know what this means.

Returned to the charge, and had a long discussion, asking Wolsey what assurance he could give to Francis for the future, if he showed himself so unreasonable about a pitiful 16,000 cr.

In the end Du Bellay was victorious, refusing to deliver a receipt for the money except in a lump.

You will consider what is to be done about the commencement of the contribution. I think it will be better to give him the reins (*luy en mettre la corde sur le col*), and let me put everything in his discretion. Begs Montmorency to see to an abbey in Picardy given to Du Bellay by the King, which is falling under bad rule.

Wolsey is vexed at the delay in sending the ratification and Du Bellay's power, also at the detention of the letters at Bayonne. Has assured him that the culprits shall be hanged, or, if gentlemen, beheaded.

There is so little security in this country against robbers, that I have sent the bearer, the prothonotary De la Chappelle, with the money, who will sooner be killed than lose anything.

Sent him escorted to the seaside by trusty harquebuses, and got a ship of Boulogne to convey him.

Wolsey has news from Spain that Du Rieu was ready to embark, when the Imperialist ambassador here notified to him that truce was being negotiated; and as soon as it was settled, he turned to Naples. Nevertheless, his power is not great, but your navy had better be on the watch.

Fr., pp. 6, *from a transcript dated in the margin:* "Londres, 28 Juillet."

28 July. MS. 5,499, f. 167. Bibl. Nat.

188. LOUISA OF SAVOY to DU BELLAY.

She and Francis are anxious to hear of the good health of the King and Wolsey. Requests that the bearer be sent back immediately. Francis is well pleased with Du Bellay's services. St. Germain en Laye, 28 July.

Fr., p. 1, *from a transcript.*

30 July. MS. 5,499, f. 166. Bibl. Nat.

189. MONTMORENCY to DU BELLAY.

Francis and Madame are very sorry to hear of the trouble the King and Wolsey are in, in consequence of this epidemic. They are anxious to hear the truth, and have sent Le Beau, the King's valet de chambre, to visit them. Refers him further to the King's letters. Has spoken to Madame about Du Bellay's expences, which will be provided for. They rejoiced much to hear that Du Bellay was out of danger. St. Germain en Laye, 30 July.

Fr., pp. 2, *from a transcript.*

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† En conclusion nous en demeurasmes là que nous estions gens de bien tous deux.

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5 Aug. **190.** Du Bellay to Montmorency.

Colbert MS. 468, f. 656. Bibl. Nat.

Received on Sunday his letter by La Chapelle. Sent immediately to Wolsey, who was with the King at Windsor, his packets and the news of the retreat of the lanceknights, desiring him to fix a day to bring him the ratification, and discuss other matters; which cannot be till Thursday or Friday, on his return to Hampton Court. Nevertheless, I despatched this packet that you may send me the power which I had to conclude the truce, for which I have so frequently written; for the Flemings wanted to have the power I had, and Wolsey was content to wait for that which has been so often promised.

Wolsey's intention was, as I have written, that Francis should send a quittance for what he has received. You have sent me a power to give one, which comes to the same thing; but you know how particular they are here about ceremonies, and they may be a little dissatisfied. You may say you ought not to give a full quittance unless they give you one for the pensions. I have not said this, however, to Wolsey, for fear of showing distrust.

Madame Margaret makes great complaint to Wolsey about Gueldres, who has refused the truce. She cannot believe that Francis will break his faith by assisting him with money. As De Vaux will have informed you, the ambassadors of Hungary have left. Rincon will tell you their success as regards ready money for the succour of the Vaiwode. The English show themselves a little cold, but intend to send thither. They intended to send a bishop; but Russell is likely to be the man, and he will be better than any other whose name is not Wallop. I think when you have heard the ambassadors, you will see that God has given you a great opportunity to humble your enemy for ever. I am sure their proposals will please you. I have suggested all the doubts I could think of, and they have completely satisfied me. If they be not ready to pass from here to Denmark in Sept. or the beginning of Oct., their passage will be dangerous, perhaps impossible.

Whoever you send, Dr. Gervais will be a good second. Suggestions about giving money to the Venetians in connection with this matter. Wolsey begs that you will use diligence in the despatch of these ambassadors. The English intend that if the peace do not come before November the contribution should only be *pro rata*.

Repeats the paragraph in his letter of 28 July about his abbey in Picardy. London, 5 Aug.

Fr., pp. 5, from a transcript.

6 Aug. **191.** William Eure to Lord Darcy and Sir Rauf Eure.

R. O.

I have received a letter from your Lordship and my father, dated Temple Newsom, 2 Aug., desiring that I should abide your order in all causes depending between lord Lumley and me, forbearing all manner occasions against the said Lord. My cousin, Thos. Tempest, has been engaged in all these causes, and I cannot act without him. I beg you will write to lord Lumley to observe the same order in reference to Tempest until Mich. next. Bishop Aukland, 6 Aug.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Darcy, and to my father, Sir Rauf Eure, knight. *Endd.*

8 Aug. **192.** Du Bellay to Montmorency.

V. 5499, f. 83. B. M.

Nothing has occurred since La Chapelle's departure of which the bearer cannot sufficiently inform you, who has acquitted himself admirably of his charge. He will tell you what the King said to him, of which you may understand the substance by Castillon; but if it be what I have long surmised and have often written to you, I think it is not without reason that I shall have left him (it ?) behind (*que l'auray laissé en arrière*). However,

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it might be as well "qu'il s'en saisit quelque chose." The King has been more displeased than he has shown himself, on hearing by "Vuyenne de Casal" that Barbesieux has refused two galleys to convey Campeggio. I have contradicted it as far as I could. Wolsey has been very glad that Montfort has been well received. And he has not been illpleased with your hypocrisy, for I believe the opinion of the King's malady has kept the Emperor hitherto obstinate.

La Chapelle is here. He has brought the bishop of Transylvania, a learned man, of credit with the king of Hungary. There could not be a better opportunity of giving the house of Burgundy a beating which they will feel for ever. True, it is a bad time for spending, but the occasion is great, for it is not only a question of making a king of the Romans, but of not leaving a foot of land there to these gentle rulers of the world, as you will understand when the English ambassadors are despatched in a few days. The bearer will tell you what we have done about Gueldres.

It is not an easy matter to extract money, but I will do my best. London.

Fr., pp. 2, from a transcript headed in margin: "Londres, 8 Aout."

10 Aug. MS. 5,499, f. 169. Bibl. Nat.

193. MONTMORENCY to DU BELLAY.

Has received his letter of 30 July, showing the satisfaction expressed by Wolsey at the confidence Francis reposes in him in the matter of the contribution, wherein he trusts entirely to his word of honor, regarding him as his most trusty friend.

Not only he and Madame but all their subjects are bound to him. Will not attempt to excuse himself from the suspicion Wolsey has expressed about him, but assures Du Bellay he has never said a word about Wolsey with which Wolsey has any occasion to be dissatisfied. Thinks it must have arisen from those who are illpleased at the gratitude felt towards him by Francis and Madame, on account of his good services in the interest of the two Kings; but Wolsey ought to disregard such insinuations. Has always spoken most affectionately about Wolsey to the bishop of Bath. Cannot explain about the packets of letters, of which also Wolsey complains, as he has neither seen nor heard anything of them; nor did the bishop of Bath perceive that there was anything wrong, or that any one of them had been opened. Fontainebleau, 10 Aug. 1528.

Fr., pp. 4, from a transcript.

10 Aug. MS. 5,499, f. 176. Bibl. Nat.

194. MONTMORENCY to DU BELLAY.

Francis is writing to you more fully. He is glad you have retained the 500 cr. which were appointed to be sent to you. You will learn by his letter about St. Pôl and the retreat of the succours which had come to the enemy in Lombardy. They have returned to Germany. Francis has not been in better health these 10 years. You may show my other letter, if you think fit, to Wolsey, that he may have no more groundless suspicions of me. I write to him only a little letter of credence for you, but I beg you to let me know his answer. Obtain as soon as you can the remainder of the contribution, to help to support the great expences we have had in Italy and elsewhere, especially since Wolsey was here. Sends along with the letters of the ambassadors in Switzerland and in the Ligue Grise, one which the writer received yesterday from the Greffier Bochetel, who is with St. Pôl, to show to Wolsey. You may take what is due to you from the contribution. Fontainebleau, 10 Aug.

You must thank Wolsey for getting the money of this contribution sent to us.

Fr., pp. 2, from a transcript.

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12 Aug. **195.** MONTMORENCY to DU BELLAY.

MS. 5,499, f. 171. Bibl. Nat.

Has received his letters and news by La Vau of the satisfaction of the king of England on hearing that Francis had sent him to England to visit the Legate and convey to Henry his news. You will see the answer made by Francis touching the mission of La Hargerie to madame of Savoy; also what I have written to you by the prothonotary De la Chapelle, to which I look for an answer. The King and Madame have had good news of Lautrec. They have despatched Morette with 6,000 cr. from the contribution of England. You had better keep them back in case he is sent hither again.

Francis has sent some one to give Campeggio a reception now that he has arrived at Marseilles. Paris, 12 Aug.

Fr., pp. 2, from a transcript.

21 Aug. **196.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Colbert MS. 468, p. 483. Bibl. Nat.

The King is sending Mr. Bryant to enquire how Francis I. is, and thank him for his good remembrance of him. He has also charge of two other matters, one of which was explained to me by Wolsey, and the other I have heard elsewhere. First, as to Andrea Doria, concerning whom they entertain great apprehension that God will punish you and them also, and that things will be thrown into disorder after having been brought to the point with so great expence and danger. I have defended Francis in this matter according to what you said about it to De Vaux. Wolsey says that the Pope is sending to Doria, Sanga and Gregory de Casal to satisfy his demands; and although the Pope had offered Doria two galleys, and wished Lautrec to assure him of your paying the remainder, nothing has been done; but he has made an agreement with Du Reu, ratified by the Emperor, and was to revictual Naples in 15 days, and withdraw the sea from subjection to Francis. He has already sent back the Marquis du Guast to Lombardy; of the rest Bryant will inform you, who leaves tonight. Wolsey says, if Doria cannot be brought back your enterprise will turn to nothing. Reports a conversation with Wolsey about Doria's demand of Savona.

Wolsey said it would have been far better to have paid Doria well, and lost six Savonas to the Emperor, than to have lost time at such a juncture; nevertheless, Savona will be lost.

This conversation took place yesterday; for, as I wrote on the 19th, I went to Wolsey with the ratification, with which he was well satisfied, awaiting only my power; for the non-arrival of which I took the blame upon myself, saying I had not explained the matter to you clearly. He forgave me, and was satisfied with you. About the quittance I will write to you, and give the Chancellor an answer, for there is no hurry about it, and the courier, who is going to Dr. Stephen, starts immediately. As to Gueldres, when Silvester's answer arrives, which is daily expected, if it be of peace, you have nothing (*vous n'avez rien*); if of war, you may have something (*vouz en pourrez avoir*). I am not without hope of the advance of the contribution.

On showing Wolsey the letters which I had from Morlot, I made him note one word about the ill will of the Pope. He said there could be no doubt of it, but he must own the Pope was wronged in not having Ravenna and Cervia restored to him. I excused Francis in the matter, but I see he is not quite satisfied, and thinks the two places should be restored.

You are a great favourite of Wolsey's, and he has more fear at this moment of your being dissatisfied with him than otherwise. He wished Bryant to see your letter that he might reply to you by him; in short, he regards you as a brother, and as a most trusty and diligent servant to your master. He says both you and he are angry when anything touches the honor of your masters, which makes him love you the better; and being the elder, he advises you to do as he has done with me, that is, when he has been very angry and annoyed, to make it up again as soon as possible.

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The other point in Bryant's charge is to go and meet Campeggio, and help him forward by the advice of the bishop of Bath. Bryant is a relation of the young lady, and one of the best loved. He takes with him ——* If they find Morette, they will give him battle; "mais que vous entre d'eux, ou monsieur le Cardinal pour l'amour duquel Monsieur le Legat a grand regret en Mons. de Vauldemont, et encores pour l'amour de luy mesmes pour estre si gentil prince qu'il estoit." It is too bad that no one offers to pay Scemet (?) It would be for the honor of the nation that he were paid. Has made excuses about the letters sent to Spain and detained so long. Master More is ordered to be at Cambray on the day appointed for settling the disputes about the truce. London, 21 Aug.

Fr., pp. 8, *from a transcript.*

[Aug.] Vesp. F. III. 15 b. B. M. Fiddes' Coll. 255.

197. ANNE BOLEYN to [WOLSEY].

Thanks him for the gift of "this benefice for Mr. Barlow." However, it is not Tonbridge but Sonridge † that she desires. The former is in her father's gift, and is not vacant. Will do all she can for those who have taken pains in the King's matter.

P.S.—Begs that for her sake he will remember the parson of Honey Lane [Farman].

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3 Sept. MS. 5,499, f. 84. Bibl. Nat.

198. DU BELLAY to FRANCIS I.

Was with Wolsey on Sunday, and showed him the contents of your letter of the 20th ult., along with the article about the commission I had; by which, and the copy of the treaty, it was evident that they had no grounds to take exception. Wolsey, on considering it well, took it in good part, seeing that it did not concern their affairs, although he had formerly had occasion to think otherwise; for Hargerie had agreed that a delegate should be sent from England to Cambray to settle any difficulties which might arise about the truce; and as I had already written to the Grand Master, Master More was appointed to go.

Since the affair has been better understood, More has explained it to the said ambassador, and his mission is broken off. Wolsey begs you not to be offended at his having spoken rather warmly upon the subject. He strongly approves of the despatch of Morette; still he is very anxious that Andrea Doria should be brought back, if possible, as by his aid you would have infallible victory at Naples, but it will be the most serious damage to your affairs if he be an enemy. He thinks your army of Normandy a waste of money, and that it will arrive too late at Naples. I have pressed him again for the contribution. I think if the matter had been mentioned in my letters it would have been more advanced, but he has promised to communicate with the King about it.

Fr., pp. 2, *from a transcript dated in the margin:* "Londres, 3 Sept."

. . Sept. MS. 5499, f. 85. Bibl. Nat.

199. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Wrote to Thade about Wolsey's intending to send More to Cambray. Has since received a despatch of the 20th ult., by which and by the information of the treaty given by La Hargerie it appears that this is unnecessary. Wolsey has informed me of the arrival of Dr. Stephen and of the coming of Campeggio. He afterwards spoke of Andrea Doria, insisting upon the absolute necessity of regaining him, as he had done before the departure of Bryant. He also spoke of the good intention of the Pope, and

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† See No. 4647.

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of the ill-usage he had received in the matter of Ravenna and Cervia. He said the Pope was very well pleased with the viscount of Thuraine. He appeared dissatisfied that so much distrust was shown of the Pope. I answered sometimes rudely that the Pope had given no reason to expect confidence in him, which he admitted, but he wished us to treat him with dexterity. He was very glad De Vaulx had gone to him. We then came upon "ce camp (*coup?*) qu'apporte le hérault de l'Empereur," which he said he understood to be founded on this combat, which troubles him terribly, as it will put an end to the practices of peace. He acknowledges, however, that Francis could not have done otherwise than he has done. He wished the Pope, the King his master, the lady Margaret, and everybody would interfere. They say here signor Hercules is making some arrangement (*prenne quelqu'estat*) with the Florentines. Perhaps I shall get the thing deferred for fear of the suspicions it may create in the Pope. I believe you know that their ambassador who was here is going. I believe he (Wolsey ?) is trying by every means to break off this enterprise. He has learned that the Emperor did not come, as he promised, to Valladolid, and therefore does not expect an answer from Silvester so soon, since it has been necessary to go to Madrid. He wishes Madame and you would do everything to break off this combat. Suggests that the Emperor, being informed of the state of Germany, would like to come to the Low Countries, and if he assign the camp at Cambray he would get you to assure his passage by sea; but if he were to ask England also to assure his passage, Henry would refuse it, and thus the combat would be broken off.

Beaurain has arrived with 2,000 Spaniards in Flanders, it is supposed to revenge on Gueldres the death of the Flemings, who have been so well beaten. Du Reu when he left Spain was not informed of the truce. He (Wolsey ?) is already anxious to know if the Hungarian ambassadors are despatched.

Fr., pp. 4, *from a transcript.*

3 Sept.
MS. 5,499, f. 86. Bibl. Nat.

200. Du Bellay to Du Prat.

According to your letters of the 9th ult., on the return of the prothonotary De la Chappelle I presented to Wolsey the power you sent me, which he read in my presence. He paused at the words *sur innovations* without saying a word. Has written more fully to the King and the Grand Master. Wolsey says we are wrong in thinking they are endeavoring by indirect means to renew the obligation of the offensive treaty; but I think if next year you would engage once more to make war in Flanders, either by virtue of the obligation or otherwise, you will not find them the most diligent in the world, for they don't mean to be at much expence. They were fully persuaded that peace would take place, and that therefore matters would never come to those terms.

As to your desire to know what they intend in order that Francis may provide for it, I think it would be well to look to it early without giving the English any ground of suspicion; but if Naples be brought into subjection, and a warlike reply come from the Emperor, I think you will have good occasion to negotiate with them for a joint enterprise in the spring. Last time I was with Wolsey I could do nothing before the quittance which he is to give me for last May; for Dr. Stephen arrived, to whom he had to give audience, and although it was his intention to have an acquittance from the King, yet when I showed him what you thought desirable, and that what was sent to me was of the same substance, he pretended to be satisfied, provided everything were ratified, with all the great ceremonies which you know are used here. Please to send the pensions of himself and the King his master, and the terms of payment.

Fr., pp. 4, *from a transcript dated in the margin at the head:* "Londres, 3 Sept."

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20 Sept. **201.** VICE-PROVOST and SCHOLARS of KING'S COLLEGE (CAMBRIDGE) to HENRY VIII.
Faustina, C. VII. 207. B. M.

Have received his letters. Praise him for his defence of the Faith. If he had not written against Luther, while those whose office it was to sound the trumpet were asleep, great part of Christendom would have become Lutheran. Have elected Dr. Fox as provost, according to the King's desire. "E sodalicio tuo regio. 12 kal. Oct."

Lat., pp. 2. *Add.*

24 Sept. **202.** DU BELLAY to DE LA POMMERAYE.
Colbert MS. 468, f. 668. Bibl. Nat.

Neither the sea nor fresh water can make me forget my friends. When Bryant comes I will not fail to act honorably towards him. ("Je ne fauldray, venu que sera Bryant, de luy faire l'honneste homme.") He must have displeased you greatly by lying. If I make him speak the truth, the Grand Master will have as much honor for having placed me here, as Mons. Anthoine (Du Prat?) for having placed a president at Rome, whom no one here considers a wise man. I hope to receive good cheer from the Grand Master when I return.

I am going to town tomorrow, as the Legate returns thither. The gentlemen of the court opposed my staying where I was, near St. Paul's, on account of the distance, and I have removed to a good house in Austin Friars. Unless your master procures me a larger income I shall curse his garden and gallery. I have been obliged to send to cut down my woods at Bretheuil. "Your Cardinal" has been well received along the road. Most of the people here would rebel, if they dared. Tell the before-mentioned Lord (the Chancellor) that I wish he had forgotten his cross-bows, and not forgotten what La Vau had reminded him (? *a refreschy*) of Catillon's commission. I do not write to him, because Jacques Martin says he will not be in the court until the King's return. London, 24 Sept.

Fr., pp. 3, *from a transcript.*

24 Sept. **203.** DU BELLAY to FRANCIS I.
MS. 5,499, f. 88. Bibl. Nat.

On receiving yesterday your letters of . . . . I went to communicate them to Wolsey, who had already heard the contents from the bishop of Bath, but, notwithstanding, kept them to show the King, who, he thought, would be much pleased.

Wolsey was glad to see how the Emperor's herald had been despatched, for your honor was satisfied and the Emperor's hypocrisy manifested, and the practice for peace could not now be hindered. The bishop of Bath praised you for your conduct, and it is much approved of here. Wolsey says the unfavorable news from Naples made him ill when with the King four days ago; but as it is not your fault, but the hand of God, it must be borne patiently, and resolutely remedied, without showing the enemy that there is any discouragement felt. When I asked his advice, not only as your friend, but as one of your chief councillors, he said he had already conversed with his master about it; and if your army was routed, with the exception of what Renzo (*le seigneur Cencé*) may have with him and the troops in fortified places, it would be impossible to reconstruct an army, considering the distance, scarcity of provisions, and the present season; and he therefore advises you to reinforce the said fortified places, so that something may be done in the spring, and that you may thereby show the Emperor that you do not want good will, and thus bring him to reason, and may retain your allies; you should also reinforce St. Pôl in Lombardy.

Wolsey thinks it is necessary to assure ourselves of the Pope, and to regain Andrea Doria, for which he proposes two alternative methods. Spoke to him of the difficulty, and asked him if he had any information of which we were ignorant. He replied that Doria ought not to refuse our offers, because

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he had showed to Casale and others the trust he has in Wolsey, and had spoken to Dr. Stephen as if he felt regret at having abandoned you; besides, he would do more for the Pope than for any other. When I said that Doria could not abandon the Emperor so suddenly, he said a man who had committed one villany would easily commit another, and find plenty of opportunity and excuse. He would write to Casale about it, and communicate it to you by the English ambassador. As to securing the Pope, he says the only way is to get Ravenna and [Cervia] restored to him, and though you have done much towards that end, you must exert your authority still more, which the Venetians would not dare nor wish to resist, especially now that they fear the Emperor after the disasters in Naples. If they will not restore them to his Holiness they might surrender them to be held by you or the king of England. Will not mention all his reasons, as the ambassador Taylor (*Laillier*) will not go to sleep over it, but will show you the advantages to be derived from the above advice, as the Pope has great influence with Doria, and could also make use of an interdict or excommunication in case the Emperor refuse to accept the offer of peace, giving sureties to you for the performance of his promises, for which Wolsey is ready to give you his word.

He thanks you, in his master's name and his own, for your reception of Campeggio, who is waited for anxiously here.

Wolsey has ordered me to return in four or five days to settle the contribution, of which I will get as much as possible.

Fr., pp. 6, *from a transcript dated at the head in the margin:* "Londres, 24 Sept."

1 Oct. MS. of Sir Alex. Mallet.

204. HENRY VIII. to JAMES V.

Hears that he intends to invade the Marches. Complains that he is daily entering upon courses that trouble his own realm, and that he does not answer Henry's letters. Sees no good reason why he should trouble Angus, or attaint his lands and pursue his person. Thinks he must be led by evil councillors, whose only aim is to annoy the king of England. Warns him to desist from advancing towards the Borders, for if he does not Henry will be compelled to adopt precautionary measures. Hampton Court, 1 Oct. *Signed.*

Pp. 2. *Add. Endd.:* 1528.

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205. JAS. HEPBURNE, Clerk.

Letters patent granting him safe-conduct to come to and leave England for one year. Richmond, 1 Oct. 20 Hen. VIII.

6 Oct. MS. 5,499, f. 91. Bibl. Nat.

206. DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Campeggio will arrive tomorrow. The Legate will go to meet him as far as the house of the duke of Suffolk, and has intimated to me that he would like myself and the other ambassadors to be with him; which we will. I think the Emperor's ambassador will stop in the country, whither he has for some time withdrawn. They will set to work as soon as possible.

Both the King and Queen are coming to Greenwich today; but I do not think Mademoiselle De Boulan will yet leave her mother in Kent. It is incredible with what satisfaction they have heard the better news sent me on the 28th ult. They also agree with the opinion of Francis as to the conduct of affairs in Naples. Wolsey is writing by the bearer, Thade, to Gregory Casale, about the negociation which he wishes resumed with Andrea Doria, saying he considers the thing by no means hopeless. Noted in Wolsey's letters which Vannes read to him, the proposition to place Savona in Doria's hands, with great authority in the city of Genoa. Spoke of the suspicions the Pope entertains about him in connection with Ravenna and Cervia. He

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urged that the Emperor should be summoned to accept peace, after which Wolsey promised to do everything. He also spoke of Don Hercules, who, he thought, though he has taken his departure, should by some means be prevented leaving the kingdom until it be seen how things will go, so as to have the better assurance of his father, who is not to be trusted; and he does not think it well that his father has recalled him. Explained that he was so harassed by his neighbours that he required to be on his guard; for which reason the presence of his son was necessary to him. Wolsey, however, persisted in his opinion. Thinks his wishes should be complied with. Could get nothing done about the contribution till tonight, when Wolsey begged him to have patience still for three or four days, on account of the multitude of affairs in which he is involved. In truth he has been for ten days wonderfully burdened. The King came to him from Hampton Court to Richmond every morning, and did not leave the Council till the evening. Wolsey at present cannot move day or night, what with bishops, doctors, and others. Bryan has made very good report of the treatment he has received in France. He tells me Montpezat will be here shortly. Has no time to write to Francis, as he has just heard of the bearer's departure. There is great trouble in Scotland. Angus's brother has come to the King, I know not for what. London, — Oct.

Fr., pp. 5, from a transcript dated in the margin at the head: "Londres, 6 Octobre 15 . ."

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207. [WOLSEY] to GEORGE BRAMLEY.

Orders him not to proceed in the matters between Sir John Savage, deceased, and his coparceners, of the one part, and Sir Piers Dutton of the other, as they are to be discussed before the Star Chamber. Durham Place, 10 Oct. [*Not signed.*]

P. 1. *Add.:* To, &c., George Bramley, lieutenant justice of the county palatine of Chester.

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208. CARDINAL CAMPEGGIO.

Warrant to Sir Andrew Windesore, master of the Great Wardrobe, to deliver for the use of the legate of Rome 12 feather beds and bolsters, 24 pairs of sheets, 12 pairs of blankets, and 12 counterpoints. Greenwich, 14 Oct. 20 Hen. VIII. *Signed at top.*

26 Oct. MS. 5,499, f. 174. Bibl. Nat.

209. MONTMORENCY to the BISHOP OF BAYONNE.

I have shown your letter of the 16th to the King, who is pleased with your diligence in sending news. You have received the packets from Spain and Italy, addressed to the Legate and the bishop of Bath. If they send you any more coming from England, I beg you to present them, and find out what you can of the contents. There is no more news of St. Pôl, and Francis has sent to him Francisque with a promise to reinforce him to the extent of 10,000 men, for the enterprise of Milan or Genoa. He has also sent to hasten Barbezieulx, who is now at Marseilles, about to embark with his fleet for Savona ("tirant le plus droict qu'il pourra la volfe (*sic*) de Savonne"). Have heard of the death of the constable of Castile, which Francis regrets on account of the service he was doing to the children. There has been a great mistake in this last truce in not having comprised Gueldres. Francis is very greatly annoyed at it, on account of the relationship and old friendship between them. Nothing but the assurances given him by Wolsey that no inconvenience should arise from it, could have induced Francis to accept the truce without comprehending him; and you must represent this to Wolsey as skilfully as you can, that he may not be compelled another time to do anything so disagreeable. You are to press the

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contribution, considering the great expences of Francis. Francis wishes to make Henry a present of a couple of beds (*litz*). Desires to know what colours he bears, that they may be made the same. Montpezat has been detained for the present, as there is no occasion to send him, and he is unwell, and has gone home. Fontainebleau, 26 Oct.

Fr., pp. 3, *from a transcript.*

1 Nov. MS. 5,499, f. 175. Bibl. Nat.

210. MONTMORENCY to DU BELLAY.

Desires him to declare to the Legate the answer of Francis to Du Bellay's letter of the 21st. Francis is in good spirits, and will start immediately for St. Germains. Fontainebleau, 1 Nov.

Fr., p. 1, *from a transcript.*

7 Nov. Pocock, II. 431.

211. QUEEN KATHARINE.

Notification by John Talcarne that Queen Katharine, in propounding the brief of Pope Julius, dated 26 Dec. 1503, does not intend to admit any presumption drawn therefrom of her being carnally known by prince Arthur. Done at Bridewell in the presence of Wm. archbishop of Canterbury, Cuthbert bishop of London, John bishop of Bath and Wells, John bishop of Rochester, and Henry bishop of St. Asaph. Dated 7 Nov. 1528.

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8 Nov. MS. 5,499, f. 99. Bibl. Nat.

212. DU BELLAY to FRANCIS I.

On Saturday Wolsey stole a little leisure to read over word by word your letters of the 20th ult., finding in them matters of great importance, quite in agreement with what he had heard from Spain, especially as regards the universal peace and the deliverance of your children. He afterwards showed me the decipher of the reply made by the Emperor to Silvester (No. 4787)* touching the said peace, by which it appeared that he declined the services of England as mediator, and that there was no reliance in him, either for the obligations into which you were to enter, or for the hostages who are to be received, the King and he being at enmity. His objections to Silvester as having no commission also show his disposition. I said if the king of England, in order to make new overtures, intended still to treat with him as a friend and mediator, he would show in effect how greatly he desired the peace of Christendom, and how ready he was to stretch a point for the Emperor's sake. On this Wolsey proceeded to recount at considerable length what he thought should be done in the matter. As to the information which came to you through Salviati, he thinks universal peace so important that no good means should be refused, and agrees to the Pope being the medium, if you think it expedient, in which case England will send powers to that effect. The means proposed by the Emperor, however, ought not to be neglected, so as to leave him no excuse for enmity.

He proceeded to give reasons why this should not prejudice Francis' interests. He is very glad of the article in your letters in which you promise to reprove the Venetians for their dishonest detention of Ravenna and Cervia.

I must not omit to tell you the good office done by Wolsey on hearing that the general of the Cordeliers, lately made cardinal,† had brought from Spain the conclusion made by him between the Pope and the Emperor. He immediately despatched a courier to Sir Gregory Casale, directing him to see the Pope; and, without blaming but rather praising the agreement he had made with the Emperor, if it be such as was reported, viz., that the Pope should remain neutral, to express a hope that there was nothing in the treaty which could be to the disadvantage of England and France,—powers so closely

* See also No. 4825. † Quignones.

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allied, and so devoted to his Holiness; otherwise the effect would be to alienate entirely the Venetians, and leave them for ever in possession of Ravenna and Cervia, and the duke of Ferrara in that of Reggio and Modena. Gives Wolsey's arguments in favor of using the Pope as a means of peace, adding his own opinion on the subject, and reasons why Francis should make no difficulty, even about the retreat of St. Pôl, the Emperor's army in Lombardy being so weak. If St. Pôl were kept in Dauphiné, as if to guard the country until the restitution of the children, it would give great strength to the allies of France, and keep Genoa in even better surety.

Fr., pp. 16, *from a transcript dated in the margin:* "Londres, 8 Novembre 15 . ."

[8 Nov., cir.] **213.** [DU BELLAY] to WOLSEY.

Cal. D. x. 235. B. M.

* * * "Quam . . . . . quo cum jusserat R^ma D. [V.] . . . . . dissolvendum inter cætera de q . . . . . [mi]hi venerat, nec enim fuerat otium . . . . . De eo vero quid sentiam paucis nunc [scribam, et quicquid] erit R. D. V. in optimam partem ut [accipiat rogabo] . . . quod ut ipsi morem gerere ac etiam . . . . . non gravabitur ipsa tempus mihi . . . . . liceat mihi ad eam adire communica[ndum sententiam] viri quæ puto non parum ad rem pert[inere] . . . . . qui heri vesperi ad me ex Gallia su[pervenit] . . . . . interim Illma et R^ma D. V. jam diem . . . . . confirmarat de re nummaria se perfec[turum] . . . . . triduo ad summam; de qua re ut ve . . . . . incredibiliter nostri et rex ipse quid c . . . . . tamdiu non sit perfectum nec me puto . . . . . commentum hæc fuisse. Utinam talis pro[vincia] . . . . . nunquam mihi daretur. Video enim esse molest[um] . . . . . sunt quare aliter facere non possim. [R. D. V. me] humillime commendo."

Hol. Add.: Ill. & R. D. meo D. card. Ebor. legato et cancellario, &c.

[18 Nov.] **214.** CLEMENT VII. to WOLSEY.*

Ant. Bosius, a knight of St. John, who has returned from Portugal and Spain along with Philip Villiers Lile Adam, has reported to the Pope his conferences with the King and Wolsey. Is rejoiced at the honor they showed to him, and the liberal aid promised by the King and Wolsey to the holy expedition. Wolsey promised to get the King to write to the Emperor and the king of Portugal, on receipt of whose answer he would send one of the Order with the aid which he meant to send. Understands from Bosius that both these Princes have now sent answers, and each contributed a sum for the expedition. Urges the King and Wolsey to do the same without delay, as the danger in the East is very pressing. Commends Wolsey's conduct in restoring to the Order the property of the late prior, which had been withdrawn by certain persons.

19 Nov. **215.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Colbert MS. 468, f. 550. Bibl. Nat.

The bearer will tell you all that is not contained in my letters of the —. Wolsey has often desired him to stay "jusques à ce qu'on eust arresté le compte;" but he has never been rewarded or treated as he ought, according to ancient custom, Wolsey having made me promise to obtain payment for him on your side. He has not made any suit for it here, for fear of

* Compare No. 5196, 23 Jan. 1529.

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hindering the King's affairs. I need say nothing, as I know your affection for him and his uncle. London, 19 Nov.

Fr., p. 1, *from a transcript.*

20 Nov. **216.** DU BELLAY to DE LA ROCHEPOT.

Colbert MS. 468, f. 731. Bibl. Nat.

Was with Wolsey on Friday last, when he set forth at length the credence contained in Rochepot's letters, and showed him his desire to do him service. Wolsey replied with an assurance of his friendship, and hoped he would inform him of anything that might occur likely to cause difficulty between the two Kings. On this arrived the merchants who are commissioned to receive the corn in France, complaining that they were hampered by a condition imposed by Francis, which was not in the treaty, viz., if there were found to be a sufficiency in France. On this subject he desired me to make remonstrances to you, saying he would rather have lost an arm than that there should be any failure in this promise. I said I did not wonder if, perhaps at the instance of Mons. de Vendôme and the other governors of the countries, some restriction had been made, owing to the scarcity which existed; but that I hoped that when you arrived at court Francis would do everything to give him satisfaction. Wolsey expressed himself pleased with this, and promised the merchants that they should send a man express to you, and that he would write to Francis and you in their favor. Thinks it of great importance that the people be not disappointed in this matter, otherwise Wolsey will be much annoyed. Reminds him of his request for a licence for 100 *muids* of his own, of which he will eat one part, and drink the other. It can be conveyed away all the more quietly, as his granaries are near the river. London, 20 Nov.

Fr., pp. 4, *from a transcript.*

24 Nov. **217.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Colbert MS. 468 V. p. 549. Bibl. Nat.

Writes in behalf of the bearer, the ambassador at Ferrara, who is returning to his master, although he expects to be again with him upon the road. London, 24 Nov.

Fr., p. 1, *from a transcript.*

[27] Nov. **218.** WOLSEY to MONTMORENCY.

MS. 3,086, f. 23. Bibl. Nat.

In behalf of Sir Francis Bryan and Peter Vannes, whom the King is sending to Francis, and also to the Pope. Westminster, [27] Nov. 1528.

Fr., p. 1, *from a transcript.*

27 Nov. **219.** DU BELLAY to MONTMORENCY.

Colbert MS. 468, f. 555. Bibl. Nat.

The prothonotary De la Chapelle, with the rest of the contribution, has been delayed by the weather for eight days at Sandwich. Six or seven Flemings and Spaniards, well armed, are anchored in the offing, probably to prevent his passage.

I have told Wolsey, who promised to give orders about it. I am sure the Prothonotary will run no risk. He has an answer to your letters of the 1st: in which, as well as more recently by De Vaulx's nephew, I wrote of the urgent request the Legate made to have 30,000, 25,000, 20,000, or at least 15,000 cr. provided at Rome, if this company wanted it on their arrival. He das tried to assure himself of this, under color of the expedition of his bulls. Since I wrote, and especially since Messire Lacque left, he has spoken of it to me again so urgently, that I promised Francis would do it; or at least, if he could not provide it at Rome, he would at Lucca or Florence. If the thing cannot be done otherwise, orders should be sent at least to

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Venice, to hand over the sum to Bryant, or some one else who shall be appointed for the purpose. Thinks De Vaulx could manage it while he is yet at Rome. You will see Bryan's despatch, about which Wolsey has conferred with me. London, 27 Nov.

Fr., pp. 3, *from a transcript.*

29 Nov. Colbert MS. 468, f. 203. Bibl. Nat.

220. DU BELLAY to L'ESLEU BERTHEREAU, Secretary to Montmorency.

Is surprised at Montmorency having held such language, for there was nothing of the kind in Du Bellay's letters; also that they have not sent him a single crown for his removal. Since the plague, it has cost him in ready money and in play, to which he is forced by these Lords, from whom he cannot get free day or night, more than 3,500 cr. It is more than two months since the Chancellor promised to give orders about it to the Grand Master, La Pommeraye is bound to Costebrault and . . . . . London, 29 Nov.

Fr., pp. 2, *from a transcript.*

9 Dec. MS. 5,499, f. 119. Bibl. Nat.

221. DU BELLAY to the ADMIRAL (BRYON).

Is writing to the Grand Master of certain Spanish ships taken on this coast. Can promise they shall remain a long time before being despatched, but desires advice what should be done with them. As to your charge, write and let me know what to do.

I know not who is this Barre who has touched them so stiffly, but I promise you he is much praised here, and has done more honor to his nation than Messrs. les Grands have done to theirs. Thinks, if Francis be firm, the prize will remain good. Fears, if war were to recommence, the English would rather keep them as security for their fellow subjects in Spain than give them up to the French. London, 10 Oct. (*sic.*)

Pp. 2, *from a transcript dated in the margin:* "Londres, 9 Decembre."

12 Dec. MS. 3,006, f. 3. Bibl. Nat.

222. HENRY VIII. to MONTMORENCY.

Doubts not he has heard the charge of Sir Fras. Bryan and Peter Vannes; in accordance with which he sends Wm. Knight, LL.D., with whom he has joined Wm. Benet, LL.D., to France, and whose business he begs him to advance. London, 12 Dec. 1528.

Fr., p. 1, *from a transcript.*

14 Dec. MS. 5,499, f. 114. Bibl. Nat.

223. DU BELLAY to FRANCIS I.

Yesterday the Legate sent for me to communicate his thoughts and projects since Brian's departure, and the last news he had from Rome about the common affairs. Of all this Bryan will have informed you. Hopes Francis will come to sure and prompt conclusions. Wolsey knows you will have heard by Silvester Darius a full account of his mission, as he was charged to address himself to you. You will thus have been informed of the estimation in which the Emperor is now held, of the contempt he shows for you and your allies, and of his ingratitude to the King your brother, all owing to a little prosperity, which has occurred to him undeserved. Wolsey will not undertake to admonish you, but hopes you are fully aware of the importance of abating his pride and recovering your children, by what means soever it can be done, either by a peace, if possible, or by vigorous war; but you should not found yourself so entirely upon the one alternative as to neglect the other; and he suggests a mode in which matters may be

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brought to a sure and certain issue.—The remainder of the letter is to the same effect as No. 5028.

Fr., pp. 16, *from a transcript dated in the margin:* "Londres, 14 Decembre."

20 Dec. **224.** Du Bellay to Montmorency.

MS. 5,499, f. 124. Bibl. Nat.

Since his despatch of the 13th, has communicated to Wolsey at his request what he has set down in writing, and, wherever he could see any difficulty likely to arise, has set it forth. First, he set forth those mentioned in Montmorency's letter of the 13th, as if they had occurred to himself. Suggested, besides, that the restitution of Ravenna and Cervia,* and the appointment of the guard, would take a long time; and that even if the Venetians could be brought to do the one, the Emperor would have gained the greatest possible advantage in the meanwhile. This difficulty he answered by proposing that besides the commission given to Knight, one equally large should be delivered to the present bearer, addressed to the ambassadors now at Rome, to see to the affair with all possible diligence, and he entreats Francis to send a similar commission to his own ambassadors. By this means he calculates that before the middle of February the Pope will have signified the truce to all the Princes; which done and accepted, he will immediately convoke the assembly at Nice or Avignon; but if the Emperor refuse, it would be easy then to bring the Pope entirely over to the French interest, especially if Ravenna and Cervia were restored. There is little doubt, however, that the Emperor will be glad to accept the truce, seeing that he is not the assailant, but only wishes to defend himself. Suggested also a doubt whether the Pope would approve of these overtures, which Wolsey thought he certainly would, considering that he has offered to go in person to the Emperor to induce him to peace, and consequently he would be all the more ready to be a mediator, and gain the credit of having brought about a settlement.

Moreover, by this means he would gain all his ends. "Et la ou l'on oublierait qu'il en feroit difficulté ou pour ne laisser rien en danger ou pour ne voulloir faire despence a ce voiage," &c. (For the remainder see No. 5053.)

Fr., pp. 13, *from a transcript dated in the margin at the head:* "Londres, 20 Decembre 1528 (?)"

20 Dec. **225.** Francis I. to Du Bellay.

MS. 5,499, f. 172. Bibl. Nat.

Is informed by his letters to Montmorency of the arrival and reception of Campeggio, and of the conversations Wolsey has had with Du Bellay about the recovery of Andrea Doria, and the means of securing the Pope. Is determined always to follow Wolsey's counsel, but in this matter of Doria sees very little hope. Has determined to despatch the bailly of Rouen to the Pope, in accordance with Wolsey's plan, for reasons which Du Bellay is to declare to him; viz., first, to thank him for granting a free passage through his dominion to those who have withdrawn from the army before Naples; secondly, to request him to persevere in favoring France; to remind him of what Francis has hitherto done in defence of his estates, and to assure him that he is still ready to do the like, provided the Pope will not favor the opposite party; and to inform him that he is writing to the Venetians, and has spoken to their ambassador to get them to give up Ravenna and Cervia, which he will compel them to do; and that he has sent express charge to the Florentines to give up to his Holiness his niece the little duchess (*la petite duquesive*) (sic). As to the overtures of cardinal

* "Fornye" in the transcript, doubtless a misreading of "Servye" in the original.

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Salviati and the General of the Cordeliers, lately made cardinal, as Francis wishes to do nothing without Henry, he has commissioned the bailly of Rouen to ascertain the conditions proposed. As to the war, St. Pôl's army having turned back, weakened by the capture of Pavia and the desertion of a band of Swiss, Francis has despatched 2,000 lanceknights to join him, who have already crossed the water, and has ordered him to raise 3,000 or 4,000 Italian harquebusiers, which will make 10,000 good men, besides those promised by the Venetians; by which means St. Pôl may endeavor to recover Genoa, which Francis is determined to attempt at all costs, and furnish it with men of a very different stamp from the peasants with whom Doria has hastily garrisoned it. To expedite the matter, has sent the sieur De Barbezieulx, who may set sail next week with 13 galleys and six or seven great barks, like *La Grande Maistresse* and *La Branouse*, of the late frère Be[r]nardin, and some other galleons conveying 1,500 or 2,000 men-of-war, in the hope of meeting Doria at sea. Thus Savona will be preserved in security. Says nothing in answer to the suggestions made to Du Bellay about retaining don Hercules, for he is already so far beyond the mountains that no good excuse could be found for recalling him.

Is confident no fault will be made in the matter of the contribution. Fontainebleau, 20 Dec.

Fr., pp. 8, *from a transcript.*

29 Dec. **226.** MONTMORENCY to DU BELLAY.

MS. 5,499, f. 175. Bibl. Nat.

Has received his letter of the 13th by the bearer. The King and Madame are very well satisfied with his report. Hopes to know his news since the despatch of the bearer by Dr. Trenit (Knight). Francis does not dislike the proposals of Wolsey, and thinks the Pope may be won over by good means. As to Ravenna and Cervia, you may be sure he will do his best. As to the coming of the bishop of Bath, you know what has been written already, and how well it will be taken here. L'Esleu Bayard has not yet returned. Although you have done all in your power to prevent the particular peace being made between the Emperor and England, before the general, it would seem by a letter of John Joachim which I send that the former is so advanced that it is likely to succeed. The King and Madame are extremely well satisfied with the "honnestes et bon propos que a tenuz monseigneur le Legat, De Briant fera grand diligence s'il est de retour devant que la confirmation en soit faicte." Sends Madame's answer to Du Bellay's long letter, that he may show it to Wolsey. A post has come from St. Pôl, telling of the death of Antony de Leva before Milan. An attempt by the prothonotary Gambara, who has charge of Piacenza, against the life of the duke of Ferrara, has been discovered. Sends news from Germany. Writes about the marriage of Du Bellay's brother. The King and Madame are in good health. St. Germain, 29 Dec.

ii. Apparently a PS. to the preceding.

You are to show Wolsey that it is unreasonable to impute to Francis all the faults that have been committed, and remind him plainly of those that have been made on his side. As to Ravenna and [Cervia], that is not in the power of Francis to dispose of so easily as he thinks. You are to ask what news they have from Spain by the letters of Silvester.

Fr., pp. 4, *from a transcript.*

227. ROGER WIGSTON to CROMWELL.

R. O.

Begs him to move my lord's Grace in favor of the abbot of Hylton. "He amytted hym his chaplain, and put me in comfort to prefer him to the next promotion that should fall in that religion." Requests Cromwell to write a letter to the abbot of Vareall, which he may send to my Lord, and

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to inform his Grace of the demeanor of the abbot of Cumbermere, pointing out the danger to the monastery if a discreet head be not soon put to it. Desires credence for the bearer, Sir Roger Clerkson, priest.

Hol., p. 1. *Begins :* "Mr. Crumwell."

228. GEOFFREY WHARTON, Priest, to CROMWELL.

R. O. Begs him to write to the abbot of York, that whereas he had before sent to my lord Legate the advocation of Kyrkby Stephan, in the dioc. of Carlisle, under his convent seal, my lord's Grace now desires him to send it under the convent seal, with the date of the first advocation, or as near it as he can call to remembrance. Excuses putting him to trouble, but he shall not lose his labor. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To Master Cromwell. *Endd.*

229. JOHN CORCYE.

R. O. Petition of John Corce, merchant of Florence, concerning certain goods left with him and Bartholomew Salvyatye by Willm. Corcye, on his leaving England about a year before. Salvyatye is dead, and appointed as executors John and Wm. Corcye* and Guydo Portenarye. The petitioner put the goods for safe keeping in the hands of John Gerrard, merchant of Florence, but they have been attached by Petyr Frauncis de Bardis. *Imperfect, a page lost.*

The goods are as follows:—A piece of red satin in grain, 11 threads gold, 51 braces; a piece of black velvet on velvet; red satin in grain, of 11 threads, 51 braces; black velvet on velvet "pyrlyd" with gold, 31 braces, 8 parts; black tinsel with gold threads, 59¼ braces; russet tinsel with gold threads, 40 braces; black velvet, pyrlyd with gold, 32⅔ braces; tawny velvet pyrlyd with gold, 33½ braces.

Pp. 3. *In Cromwell's hand.*

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12 Jan. **230.** RICHARD BISHOP OF NORWICH to WOLSEY.

Harl. 604, f. 55. B. M. Wright's Supp. of Mon. 4.

Has received Wolsey's message by his chaplain, Dr. Stewarde, to whom he has shown his full mind therein. The president and convent of Butley were on the point of proceeding to the election of a new prior, and had said their service, when they received Wolsey's letters of inhibition and sequestration. They accordingly deferred the election, but have since, before Master Stewarde and Wolsey's officers, compromitted it to Wolsey. Recommends Sir Thomas Sudborne, the cellarer, who would have been chosen unanimously *per viam Spiritus Sancti.* Hoxne, 12 Jan. 1528. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add. Endd.*

20 Jan. **231.** MONTMORENCY to DU BELLAY.

MS. 5,499, f. 159. Bibl. Nat.

La Chappelle, the bearer, will tell him Montmorency's opinion about the affair of the king of England and the Legate, and he has also a despatch for Du Bellay. Mons. de Warty is coming to England shortly. Desires him to mention sometimes to the King and Legate the great expence Francis has to bear in Italy, and his inability to endure it long without help; so that the affair may be put before them before De Warty arrives.

Has never heard anything of the expence of the carriage of the money

* See No. 5330. ii.

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which Du Bellay sent; of which, he says, complaints have been made in France. On the contrary, great satisfaction is felt at the good order taken by the Bishop.

De Warty will tell him about what Jehan Carguy has brought from England, and of his proposals. St. Germain-en-Laye, 20 Jan.

La Chappelle will tell you that I asked the King for a bishopric (?)* for you in Languedoc, and that I have broken off your brother's intended voyage.

Fr., pp. 2, from a transcript.

24 Jan. MS. 5,499, f. 160. Bibl. Nat.

232. MONTMORENCY to DU BELLAY.

Has received his letter of the 12th, with one for Francis, who has read it. De Warty will be sent to England in a few days, with full instructions about the proposed attack on Spain instead of Flanders, and other matters. La Chappelle was sent to you recently, and will have given you the news, but I write to tell you what has happened since he left. Our forces in Naples have been so reinforced, although Ranze has not joined them, that they have retaken ———, taken the Viceroy, and defeated a good number of Spaniards. Many important persons in the country have revolted, and taken our side against the enemy. Francis is sending the sieur Abat Vesin to reinforce the seigneur De Ranzec. News had come of the death of Andrea Doria, but it is untrue. The count de Feisque (?) and he have been at variance, but the Count is still outside Genoa. We have also news of the Emperor's preparations to go into Italy. Genoese bankers had begun to deliver money for the Emperor, but Francis had caused them to be arrested.

Viscount Thuraine has come from St. Pôl at Alessandria. St. Pôl had wished to go himself to Francis, and explain the state of matters. You may assure the English there is nothing in the report of a servant of Ferdinand having passed through France to the Emperor. You may also say what you have heard of William des Barres. Has had letters within the last few days from Messieurs Humieres and De la Hargeri, saying that Des Barres and De Rosimbourt were to come here shortly, whether for truce or for something further. Begs for frequent letters. Francis and Madame are highly pleased with his services. They leave this on Monday for Paris, and will afterwards return hither to go to Blois in Lent. The cousin of Sir Gregory Casale has passed this way. The beds (*les lutz*)† that Francis has ordered to be made cannot be finished in time for De Warty. St. Germain-en-Laye, 24 Jan.

Fr., pp. 5, from a transcript.

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233. JOHN GOSTWYK to CROMWELL.

In behalf of his kinsman Sir John Hatley the bearer, whom my lord Cardinal had preferred to a benefice called Bernet. This benefice was subject to a yearly pension of 9*l.* to the master of Savoy during the life of the last incumbent; but my Lord said he should pay no pension, but only give attendance on Peter Cumptun to teach him, which he did as long as the child was in Gostwyk's custody. The master of Savoy never asked for the pension till within seven weeks, but has now first cited him to St. Alban's court, and then put the matter in the judgment of the official, who may be suspected of partiality. Wyllynton, 14 March. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my trusty and loving friend Master Crumwell, this be delivered at London.

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* "depesche" in transcript. *Query*, evesché?

† Whether this is a misreading or not for *litz* is uncertain. See Oct. 26, 1528. App.

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9 April. **234.** FLORENTINUS [VOLUSENUS] to CROMWELL.
R. O.

Thanks him for the horse, which he sold at Paris for 24 cr.; without which he would have been without money, as his journey was so expensive. "Misi ad te tuam Fanniam, solve illi fores." My master writes to you, and is desirous of your friendship. He would be much pleased with an answer from you. There is little news worth repeating. 200,000 gold pieces are being raised here. The King (Francis) is in Touraine. "Pontifex infeliciter convalescit," according to letters of 3 March from Rome.

It is reported that the Turk is preparing armies to attack Italy and Hungary. An ambassador from Hungary is going to England with Captain Rincon, and will return to the Waywode. It is reported by the French that my most reverend Lord (Wolsey) will go [to Cambray], and I beg you to tell him that I am trying to procure a theological reader to his taste for the college. Paris, 9 April. *Signed:* "Tuus Florentinus."

Hol., Lat., p. 1. *Add.:* Venerando Domino Thomæ Crumvello. *Endd.*

12 April. **235.** RANDULPH BRERETON of Chester to WILL. BRERETON.
R. O.

Sends by Will. Wodhale, the bearer, 7*l.* "of your fees of the controller," due at Michaelmas. Delivered 60*s.* to my cousin Morgan to your use. Sends also 10*l.* "parcel of your office at Northwyche." Wishes to know what he does about Shotwyke Park and other farms. Hopes Master Eggerton will not obtain all his farms for his sons. Needs not warn him to be on his guard what labor Eggerton makes to the King and my lord Cardinal. The restraint at Shotwyk for hunting endures but one year. Sends also an indenture with Rob. John. Chester, Sunday after the feast of St. Michael.

Hol., pp. 2. *Add.:* To my singular good master William Brereton, one of the grooms of the King's Privy Chamber.

R. O. 2. Receipt given by Randulph Brereton of Chester, deputy to Sir Randulph Brereton, chamberlain of Chester, for 81*l.* paid to the King's use by Richard Leftwiche, deputy to Will. Brereton, Esq., escheator of Cheshire, out of the rents of the lands of Laurence D . . . . . deceased. Dated 12 April 20 Hen. VIII.

[28 June.]* **236.** THE DIVORCE.
R. O.

An argument on the question whether the *litis pendentia* is sufficient to delay the process, and, in the event of its validity, suspend the jurisdiction of the legates. The writer holds the negative.

Lat., pp. 3.

5 Sept. **237.** JOHN WILLIAMSON to CROMWELL.
R. O.

Has done what he ordered, except concerning Mr. Eston and Mr. Felmingham, who are not in town. Took Mr. Paulman half of the buck Cromwell sent home after his departure; his mother made the neighbours cheer with the rest. Hears that there is a new abbot of St. Albans. My lord of London is sore hurt by Cromwell's mule as he rode from "couyrt." Sir Thos. More's barns at Chelsea are burnt, full of corn, with more of his neighbours'. Ric. Swift has Cromwell's corn in, and asks him to send half a buck to Fulton to make the neighbours cheer, for he has found them good in

* See No. 5731.

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receiving the tithe. Cromwell's mother and household are well. London, 5 Sept.

Sends a letter, and a list of those who have come to see him.

Hol., p. 1. *Add.:* To his right worshipful master Mr. Crumwell, at Ipswich. *Sealed.*

26 Sept. **237** a. WOLSEY to THOS. COLEYNS, Prior of Tywardreth.

WardourMSS. SeeHist.MSS. Com. i. 34.

Urging him to resign. More, 26 Sept. *Signed.*

(There are a few other letters in this collection relating to the same subject; and it appears by the papers that Thos. Colyn, the prior in question, was appointed in 1506, on the resignation of Ric. Martyn.)

1 Nov. **238**. RAFE SADLEYR to ———.

Cleop. E. IV. 178. B. M.

A little before the receipt of your letter, I spoke with Mr. Gage at the court, and, as you commanded, moved him to speak to the duke of Norfolk for the burgess's room of the Parliament on your behalf, which he did. The Duke said he had spoken with the King, who was well contented that you should be a burgess, if you would follow the Duke's instructions. The Duke wishes to speak with you tomorrow, and has sent you as a token, by Mr. Gage, your ring with a turquoise, which I now send by the bearer. Will speak with Mr. Russhe tonight, and know whether you shall be burgess of Oxford, or not. If you are not elected there, I will desire Mr. Paulet to name you as burgess for one of my Lord's (Wolsey's) towns of his bishopric of Winchester. It would be well for you to speak with the duke of Norfolk as soon as possible tomorrow, to know the King's pleasure how you shall order yourself in the Parliament House. Your friends would have you to tarry with my Lord there as little as might be, for many considerations, as Mr. Gage will show you. Tomorrow night the King will be at York Place.

Divers of my Lord's servants, as Mr. Alvard, Mr. Sayntclere, Mr. Forest, Humfrey Lisle, Mr. Mores, and others, are sworn the King's servants. Mr. Gifford and I came together from the court, but when we came to London he departed I know not whither. He said he had no news. London, All Saints' Day, 4 p.m. *Signed.*

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[5 Nov.]* **239**. [JAMES V.]

Add. MS. 23,108, f. 9. B. M.

"Credence to be shown in our name, by our cousin the duke of Albany, till our brother and confederate the most Christian king of France."

1. [James] is much pleased with the French king's writing and credence, showing his intention to preserve the ancient friendship between the kingdoms. 2. Touching the credence shown by the captain of the Roket and Albany's secretary, Girard Byon, on behalf of the French king, he may say that after alliance and marriage with the queen of Hungary was proposed, James sent Sir John Campbell, of Lund, to Flanders, to inquire of her manners and "wesy hir persoun," and to assay how the marriage might be concluded, but without any commission to conclude it, until the King had taken counsel. Cannot, therefore, send persons to treat of what is mentioned in the credence. On Campbell's return will do nothing without consulting the French king, and will send ambassadors to him with instructions. 3. Notwithstanding his tender age, by which his realm has been in great trouble, receiving little help from friends, will not be induced without great cause to do anything to disturb the amity between Scotland and France.

* See No. 6051.

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Credence to be shown to our dearest uncle the king of England by David Wood. 1. Recommendations and inquiries after his health. 2. To complain of the "skaithis" and "attemptates" made by Scotch rebels, aided by Englishmen, especially Master Lasans, captain of Norham, and Lyell Gray, master porter of Berwick, for which no redress can be obtained. 3. The maintenance of Scotch rebels by the English causes the borderers of both realms to believe that there is no firm peace or amity between him and his uncle, but that their misdeeds are authorized by Henry as an occasion for war. Desires this to be remedied. 4. Will keep all the things sent by Magnus for conservation of the amity without any dissimulation, although he perceives by the King's letter, since Magnus's departure, that there is "stark informacioun" made to the contrary. 5. Alliance and marriage has been proposed to him by the king of France, to which he has deferred answer till he has Henry's advice. Hears also from his ambassador in Flanders that a marriage with the queen of Hungary will be proposed to him. When the ambassador returns, will send information to Henry, and ask his advice.

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6 Nov. Add. MS. 29,597. B. M.

240. HENRY VIII. to SIR NICHOLAS CAREW and SAMPSON.

By sundry letters from them has heard of their progress to the 29th ult. Has also received their letters from Mountargis, concerning the communication they had with the brother of Sir Gregory de Cassalis, who is coming hither from the Pope, and asking whether they should go in post, seeing the brevity of time before the last day appointed for ratification of the treaty of peace lately concluded between the Emperor and the French king. Thanks them for their diligence. It is expedient that all that concerns the ratification of the treaty of Cambray should be performed in due order, and within the time limited; and if it is necessary, in order to arrive there in time, they must leave their trains and travel in post. They must say nothing about the King's great cause of matrimony, except as specified in their instructions; that is, they are not to open the matter unless the Emperor breaks or enters with them therein. Otherwise he might think they were purposely sent to entreat him, and be rendered more intractable; and other inconvenients might also arise. If they keep themselves close touching that matter, the Emperor will be more greedy to enter into communication with them, and they must give him an opportunity of doing so. If they see in him any inclination to favor the King's purpose, they must move, use, and conduce the same to the most benefit. It would be well to remind him of the sundry "gratitudes" shown to him by the King; and to say, as of themselves, that it would be unwise to oppose the King in his just causes, for it would be neither honor nor profit to him to diminish the love between him and the King. York Place, 6 Nov. *Signed at the beginning.*

Pp. 3, *mutilated. Add.:* To, &c., Sir Nic. Carew, master of our horses, and Mr. Ric. Sampson, dean of our chapel, our ambassadors with the Emperor.

24 Nov. R. O.

241. HENRY LORD SCROPE.

Grant by Henry lord Scrope to Thos. duke of Norfolk of the office of chief steward of his lands in Herts, Beds, Bucks, and Cambridgeshire, with 10 marks a year. Dated 24 Nov. 21 Hen. VIII.

Draft, p. 1.

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242. CLERK to [WOLSEY].

Wolsey has heard by the bill of complaint before the Star Chamoer, and from the Lord Chief Justice, of the bribery and extortion of Clerk's bailiff of Wellys. He should bring Clerk yearly, after deducting duties in the Exchequer and his fee, 50*l.* or 60*l.* a year; less had never been paid for

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80 years. He has received the revenues for 2¾ years, but has never paid either the Exchequer dues or Clerk, and will not come to any account. However, as the King has such a mind towards him, he is worthy to be cherished, be he never otherwise so reproachable. Will give him 10*l.* fee till the matter be tried, and, rather than fail, for his life. The best gentleman in the King's house would be thankful for such a fee. Begs that he may not be troubled with him otherwise in the office; for, besides the loss, "my poor honesty lieth soor thereon."

Hol., pp. 2. *Endd.*

243. ROBERT AMADAS to WOLSEY.

R. O. Is desirous of some quiet room or office, specially of the office of mayor of the staple at Westminster, which is filled up at the feast of the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr next coming. Beseeches him to write to the Company of the Mercers, requiring them to elect him, or else to obtain their grant to the King, by which at the next election they will be content to accept the person appointed by the King. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To the most reverend, &c., Card. legate de latere, archbp. of York, primate and chancellor of England.

244. "THE COMPLAINT OF NORTH to the CARDNALL WOLSEY."

Harl. 2,252, f. 33 b. B. M. Furnivall's Ballads from MSS. I. 336.

A poem of eleven stanzas by some one who was imprisoned, apparently for writing verses on Wolsey. He speaks of a book compiled by himself as his "ground of hevynes," and says at the end of the first stanza:—

"For making was my joy, and now ys my grevaunce."

Handwriting not quite contemporaneous.

245. JOHN LORD AUDELEY.

R. O. i. Substance of lord Audeley's petition to the King. 1. He was ordered to pay for his restitution 6,500 marks, by yearly instalments of 250 marks, which he has paid to the extent of 4,500 marks. Hopes the King will be content to receive the rest at the rate of 100*l.* a year, as he has done with other of his subjects, although few or none have observed all their days of payment. 2. Lord Audley was solicited to become surety for Lawrence Bonvixi, in a bargain of silks, malveyseys, and English cloth, for which Bonvixi was to receive 2,000 marks of the King in ready money, and deliver the wares into the wardrobe. Lord Audley was content to bind certain lands for the performance of this bargain for a loan of 800*l.*, to be paid at the end of 15 years yet to come, being assured by the Council that not only the bargain was such as Bonvixi was sure to win by, but that they would find means soon to discharge Audley thereof, and put the signories of Venice, Florence, or Lucca in his place. Bonvixi did his best to perform the agreement, but was disappointed by various accidents, and is now dead; and lord Audley has since offered various merchants strangers, and sometimes Englishmen, as securities in his place, but cannot get them accepted. Begs the King will take payment of the 800*l.* loan by 100*l.* a year, or else by 250 marks of the lands bound for his restitution. 3. As lord Audley is indebted to others in 2,000*l.* or more, begs that the King will disburse to him that sum, and take it again in yearly payments of 500 marks upon security of his lands.

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ii. "Considerations which the lord Audley most humbly desireth to be regarded in his present suit unto the King's highness, concerning the indentures of him and Lawrence Bonevixi."

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R. O. 2. "Lands recovered by the first indenture, dated 18 Feb. 14 Hen. VIII., concerning the performance of lord Audelay's and Lawrence Bonvixi's covenants." The manors of Audelay, Hants, Red Castell, Salop, Wollaryngton and Honybere, Somers., and certain lands in Rumsay, Hants. The manor of Bughlawton, co. Chester. Total yearly value, 173*l.* They stand charged for payment of 3,423*l.* 10*s.* 3½*d.*, to be paid by 3,000 mks. yearly, in silks, woollens, cloths, linen, furs, &c., for five years from All Saints Day, 1535, "and to receive 2,000 mks. in ready money yearly after every such payment; and for lack of such payment, to pay 1,000 mks. in ready money within two months after the said feast."

Lands recovered by the second indenture, dated 18 March 16 Hen. VIII. The manors of Heley, Horton, Norton, Chesterton, Tunstall, Belteley, and Heywod, co. Stafford; of the total yearly value of 250 marks. They stand charged with the payment of a like sum, commencing at All Saints Day, 1541. All the above lands stand as well recovered for the payment of the said Lord's restitution, which is 5,333 mks. 6*s.* 8*d.*, to be paid by 250 mks. yearly, of which 1,666*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* is unpaid. The said Lord paid 2,800 mks. besides the 1,000*l.* he paid in hand.

P. 1. *Endd.:* "Concerning the performance of the lord Audeley's and Laurence Bonvixi's."

246. Adam Farmer to Cromwell.

R. O. Would have been with him by this time but for urgent business. Desires word by the bearer how his mastership speeds.

Hol., p. 1. *Begins:* Master Cromewell.

247. A List of Ships and Captains.

R. O. Wm. Gonston, admiral, *The Mary Gounston.* Wm. Sabyan, *The Les Bark.* Bauldwyn Willoughby, *The Mary James.* Robt. Draper, *The Nicholas Draper.* Robt. Applyard, *The Mynyon.* Robt. Saymer, *The Criste.* Chr. Coo, *The Margaret Bonaventure.* Thos. Carewe, *The Robt. Jonys Ship.* Geo. Whitwang, *The Trynyte Howard.* Robt. Harper, *Harper's Barke.* Wm. Cook, one of the rough (row) barges.

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248. Carriage of Prisoners.

R. O. Receipt by John Tomson of Rye (?) for 26*s.* 8*d.* from [Sir John] Huse, knight, for carrying two prisoners from . . . . . to the Lord Cardinal.

Mutilated and defaced.

249. Nicholas de la Chesnaie, Receiver at Rouen, to the King [of England].

R. O. Petition to be reimbursed for certain damages committed by his subjects on *The Jesus*, of Rouen, laden with camlets, fustians, &c. for Ireland, according to the terms of the treaty made with Madame the Regent, mother of the king of France.

Fr., p. 1, *large paper. Endd.:* "Nychas de la Chaysnack."

250. Petition of John Hyde, Clerk of the Pipe.

R. O. 1. That being joint officer with Mr. Purde,* he cannot be received as attorney "or a counsel with accomptant in the King's Exchequer," by

* William Purde. See Grant of 27 Nov. 1519, vol. III. p. 182.

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which he has lost fees to the value of 50*l.* a year. 2. That he has occupied the office alone for eight years, and will never have part of the King's fee during Purde's life. 3. The profits of the clerk of the Pipe are diminished to 20 marks a year, because the great accountants now account before the King's general surveyors instead of in the Exchequer, yet he is bound to keep the accounts and answer all demands. 4. The effect of every office (inquisition) of the houses suppressed was thrice recorded in the clerk of the Pipe's office; viz., first, in the escheator's accounts; and afterwards, in consequence of the wording of Wolsey's patent, the profits received by Wolsey were first charged upon the escheators, and afterwards upon the sheriffs of the counties, till each petitioned to be discharged.

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251. WOLSEY.

R. O. Concluding fragment of a draft pardon to cardinal Wolsey.

Part of a paper roll.

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5 Feb. **252.** ROBBERIES.

R. O. The saying of John Saunders before my lord Daubeny, Sir Thos. Trencher, William Hody, and John Bret, justices of the peace in Dorset and other counties, 5 Feb. 21 Hen. VIII.

Gives the names of persons engaged in the following robberies; viz., at Egerton Hill, of one Bouger, of Hethford Mill, on the Thursday before Michaelmas last, and of Mason, at Evershot. Among the names are, Master Nuall; James Ferrer; Sir Richard, priest of Ramsham; Henry Colt, of Oxford, innholder; Parker, scholar of Oxford; and Henry, parish priest of Tower.

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R. O. ii. Statement of Sir Ric. Gregory, priest, to Sir Thos. Nevele, knt.

Met in Ramsun Park Jas. Farrer, who had been hunting with his master in Wonfort Park, who said to him, "Pryst, thow art a good felow. Cowds be content to goo with good felowes to take a bote (*booty*)?" Answered that if he knew the company sure he was content. Farrer then named himself, Parkyns, and Robert Paynter, with others, and so departed.

Afterwards at an ale at Ramsun, he asked Gregory if he had ever been at any such deed, which he denied, and Farrer said he had not either; but as Perkyns and the Paynter came up, they departed. Has had no communication with them since. On St. Andrew's Even, Robt. Aley, Robt. Polglas, James Farrer, and Perkyns were with him at mine host's house at St. Martin's.

Mem.—To show who should have been at the robbing of Hoper's house. Item, for the horse that Paynter should sell for the profit of Perkyns.

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R. O. iii. Confession of James Bagg, of Axmyster, Devon, concerning the robbery of John Chasse, the younger, at Christmas last, by James Farar. Signed by Bagg, and also by lord Daubeney ("Herry Daubeney"), and Willm. Hody.

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iv. The deposition of Perkyns.

Went with Jas. Farror at his request to one Rype's house, who had accused him of being a thief. Farror came to him in Sir Thos. More's name. Went at his request to view Lawrens Hoper's house, and reported that it was folly to meddle with it, for the house was strong and a great dog there. Farror said they should have a good booty there, and the priest would go with them. As to the gelding, he says Giles More gave it to the priest, and that it was astray, and Sir Thos. More gave it to him. When Farrer broke this to him, he asked him whether he would take such part in robbing Laurence Hoper as he, Sir Thos. More, and Robt. Gardyner would.

Mem.—For commandment to be given to the marshall of the King's Bench for taking Richard Worley and Thos. Bryghte.

James Farrour confesses his going to Rype's house with Perkens, and accusing the Paynter of speaking against him at Dorchester.

Mr. More commanded him to find out whether the Painter, the priest, and Perkyns had done any robberies, as he thought them suspicious persons. He discovered nothing, but they were content to go about a robbery which he proposed to them. With this Mr. More was content.——* He says Mr. More never moved him to break with the said persons, nor feel them; but it came only of his own mind to encourage them to rob Hooper.

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253. Carew and Sampson.

R. O.
Pocock, I. 519.

"A summary abstract of the contents of the Master of the Horse's and Master Dean's letters."

1. Their discourse with cardinal Farnese, which is contained in previous letters.

2. Their visit to the Pope, who acknowledged the King's merits to him and the See Apostolic; declared the requests which have been made to him since the beginning of the cause by the King's orators; and excused both what he granted and refused, saying that the importunity of the ambassadors caused him to grant what should not have been granted, and sometimes he withstood their importunity, and refused to do what was required.

3. Their answer to this, in which they blamed the Pope for dissembling with the King, and granting what he might not grant.

4. The Pope's excuse that all he did was to declare how much he trusted the King, and that he feared his threats. He confessed his fault, and said that he was never more desirous in his life of serving the King.

5. The ambassadors' opinion is that the Pope is desirous to accomplish the King's purpose, saying that he will be accounted most ungrateful if he does not do what learned and wise men may require of him.

6. A discourse of the Pope of the inconveniences he perceives to ensue from Lutheranism.

7. The Pope's promise to solicit the Emperor for the achieving of the King's purpose.

8. The Pope's lamentation that the King should mistake his brief sent by Paul de Cassalis, and impute to him a heretical opinion.

9. The Pope's declaration how much he did for the King in deferring the advocation of the cause.

10. An exclamation made by the Pope against the King's agents for misreporting him.

11. His desire to have had the book out of Paul de Cassalis' hand. As Stokesley and other of the King's Council may have reasons not yet heard,

* Added by a different hand.

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he would be glad that learned men on the King's and Queen's side might assemble in some indifferent place, and he would send thither some learned personages to know both their grounds; repeating that whatever he may do by any good cause, the King shall faithfully know him to be desirous to accomplish his purpose, without fear or favor of any creature.

12. The Emperor's resolution concerning the King's matter, that he was never more sorry for cause, and desired nothing more than a good end therein; if the Pope were not thought indifferent, there may be some good indifferent men found in an indifferent place to be judges, if the King cannot otherwise lose his scruple. The Emperor will be bound to the King never to move or solicit any one, but to suffer the matter to pass at the discretion of the judges; adding that those should be the joyfullest news that might be brought unto him.

13. News of the conclusion of peace between the Emperor and Venetians and duke of Milan, and that the Florentines have determined to send their orators.

14. The honorable mention made of the King in the oration made of the peace then taken.

15. The expedition of De Praet to France, whose charge they know not, "but only to signify the Emperor's coronation at Rome."

16. The contribution against the Turk proposed in the Consistory of Cardinals.

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15 March. **254.** HENRY VIII. to UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD.

Bodl. MSS. Credence for Dr. Bell, Windsor, 6 March 21 Hen. VIII.

Pocock, I. 284. ii. Warham to his commissary of the University of Oxford, and the masters.

Wonders he has had no answer to his frequent letters on the subject of the bishop of Lincoln and Dr. Bell's mission by the King to have the advice of the University on a certain question. It is strange that they should make any difficulty when the Universities of Paris and Cambridge have declared their minds. Seeing that mighty matters cannot be shortly determined by a great multitude, it would be advisable that they should appoint thirty persons to decide it. Writes in English, that there may be no mistake about his meaning. Knoll, 15 March.

iii. Warham to his Commissary and the Divines.

Complains of the wilfulness of the regents and non-regents in obstructing the decision of the question proposed by the King, and presuming to put conditions upon "you that be heads and rulers." Commands the doctors and bachelors of divinity to settle it among themselves, avoiding such frivolous delays, and to repute the opinion of the majority as that of the University, and send it sealed with the University seal to the King. Contradicts a slanderous report by Master Kington that Mr. Bedell had falsified the Archbishop's letters and seal, and desires that he be punished for the slander. Canterbury, 28 March.

iv. Henry VIII. to the Commissary, &c.

Thanks them for accomplishing his desire in an agreeable manner, distinguishing the effect of the good minds of the more part from the perversity of the rest. Will support their authority in repressing malefactors, for which purpose he has commissioned the duke of Suffolk, who is at hand, always to be ready to assist them. Windsor, 30 April.

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10 May. **255.** AUGUSTINE DE AUGUSTINIS.

The patent granted to Augustine de Augustinis, printed in Rymer under this date, though enrolled in the year 22 Hen. VIII., is of the year 1531, and will be found in the next volume.

27 May. **256.** ANNE BOLEYN.

R. O. Warrant to lord Windsor, keeper of the Great Wardrobe, to deliver the following parcels to the use of the lady Anne Rocheford: (1) "For a saddle of the French fashion, with a pillow of down, covered with black velvet, fringed with silk and gold, the head of copper and gilt, graven with antyke works; one footstool, covered with black velvet, fringed with silk and gold; one saddle hose of velvet, lined with black buckram; one harness of black velvet, both fringed with silk and gold, with buttons pear fashion, and tassels of silk and gold; one great tuft of silk and gold upon the crupper, with buckles and pendants of copper and gilt; one slophouse of leather, lined with cotton; two girths of white twine; and two bits with two pair of gilt bosses."

"Item, for a pillion for the said lady Anne, of white fustian stuffed with fine down, with leathers and buckles to the same; one pillion cloth of velvet, fringed with black silk, and lined with black buckram; one footstool, covered with black velvet, and fringed with black silk, garnished with gilt nails, with two buckles of copper and gilt; one harness to the same pillion, of black velvet, fringed with black silk, with buckles and pendants of copper and gilt; two white girths of twine of the double fashion; one pair of reins, covered with black velvet fringed with silk and gold; two buttons and one tassel of silk and gold, with two buckles of copper and gilt, for a saddle of the French fashion for the same lady Anne, with a pillow of fine down covered with black velvet, lined with black buckram, fringed with silk and gold; one head for the same, of copper and gilt, graven with antique works; one footstool covered with black velvet, fringed with silk and gold, garnished with gilt nails, with two buckles of copper and gilt; one harness of black velvet, with a false crupper, fringed with silk and gold, with buttons and tassels of silk and gold, with buckles and pendants of copper and gilt; one slophowse of leather lined with cotton; four girths of twine of the double fashion, and two bits with two pair of gilt bosses; another saddle for the said lady Anne, of the French fashion, with a head of copper and gilt, graven with antique works; one pillion of fine down, covered with black velvet, fringed with silk and gold, lined with black buckram; one footstool, covered with black velvet, fringed with silk and gold, garnished with gilt nails, with two buckles of copper and gilt; one harness of black velvet, fringed with silk and gold, with buttons and tassels of silk and gold, with buckles and pendant of copper and gilt; one slophowse of leather, lined with black cotton; four girths of twine of the double fashion, and two bits with two pair of gilt bosses.

"Item, for two moylettes; two saddles of black leather, garnished with white nails, for the said lady Anne's moylettes that carry her litter, with two pair of double harness, with collars and breeches double-lined and stuffed with buff leather; two headstalls with reins of black leather, and two leading reins eight . . . . . bosis varnished . . . . . double braces of black leather; eight great pins of iron, varnished black; two double girths of twine [of] the double [fashion], and two . . . . . of twine." Richmond, 27 May 22 Hen. VIII. *Signed.*

Mutilated.

257. VELVET and SATIN.

R. O. Account of monies due by Thos. Arondell to William Butrye, mercer, for velvet, damask, satin, and sarcenet, supplied at different times, from

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26 March 1529[-30] to 20 Nov. 1530, the different parcels being noted in the margin as having been delivered to Sir Thomas London, priest, to Arundel himself, and to his servants.

Velvet Lukes, black, at 16*s.* a yard; velvet, black, at 12*s.*; crimson taffeta, at 12*s.*; damask white, at 8*s.*; velvet russet Lukes, at 17*s.*; satin, crimson, at 15*s.*, orange color, 6*s.* 8*d.*, black, at 8*s.*; sarcenet, white, at 5*s.* 8*d.* Total, 61*l.* 1*s.* 9*d.*

P. 1. *Endd.*

16 June. **258.** VAGABONDS.

Add. MS. 9,835, f. 1. B. M.

Proclamation against vagabonds, in pursuance of the Act of Parliament, 16 June 22 Hen. VIII. All vagabonds, mighty beggars, and other idle persons are to leave the court in 24 hours. No person is to keep more than his proper number of servants, or have vagabonds resorting to his chamber. No person is to keep hounds or greyhounds, or hunt, without licence; and no one is allowed to keep ferrets.

Pp. 2, *contemporary copy.*

30 June. **259.** FR. PAULINUS TURCHIUS to [CROKE].

Croke must not be surprised that in such an important case many persons refuse to back up their opinions, or commit them to writing. The absence of the bishop [of Verona] is not without danger to Christendom. Will speak to him as Croke desires, if he comes. 30 June 1530. "Fr. Paulinus Turchius Lucensis, ordinis prædicatorum Veronæ in conventu Sancti Anastasii."

Lat., p. 1, *copy. Endd. by Croke.*

[Sept.] **260.** [HENRY VIII. to CLEMENT VII.]

Vit. B. XIII. 168. B. M. Burnet, IV. 169.

Has deferred answering his letter, dated at Bonony, 7 Oct., delivered by Paul Casale. Could not neglect it after diligent examination. Does not condemn the Pope himself for his proceedings in the divorce, but for lending himself to the temerity and ignorance of his councillors. This is a great fault in Christ's vicar, to act so inconstantly and deceivably. Gives an account of the proceedings in the cause from the offering of a commission, in which the King shows that the Pope has acted with great inconsistency. Has been compelled to take the advice of every learned man, whose opinions differ widely "from that those few men of yours do show unto you," and utterly deny that the Pope has a right to dispense with what God and nature have forbidden. The Universities of Cambridge, Oxford, Paris, Orleans, Bourges, Angers, and Bologna are of one consent in this respect. Urges that the Pope's councillors diminish his apostolical authority. If the King were to obey the Pope's letters in that they affirm what he knows to be otherwise, would offend God and his conscience. His Holiness must pardon the plainness of this language. Has no intention of impugning his authority, unless he is compelled, and the course he takes is rather to confirm it.

Draft, pp. 8, *mutilated.*

[Sept.] **261.** [GHINUCCI to HENRY VIII.]

R. O. Pocock,* II. 5.

Has at length obtained from the city of Sienna the opinion of Decius, signed by him and another learned doctor; also another opinion from another Siennese lawyer, the most learned after these two: so we have got all the famous lawyers of that city. Has also obtained two opinions of divines, which he has given to these English doctors; and his

* Mr. Pocock prints from the two deciphers, which are inaccurate in some places.

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nephew writes that he has some hope of obtaining two others, but that the cardinal of Sienna, who is there, inspires them all with great terror.

I wrote to your Majesty before that I had obtained two opinions of a Spanish friar, Felix, who had written in favor of the Queen. I gave them an opinion of Friar John de Finario, likewise in her favor, to Friar Dionisius, who has written for your Majesty, to refute them, which he has begun to do. Gallatinus, as I wrote, had promised to write in your favor, but said he would not show what he had written unless the Pope ordered him. Afterwards he began to write, but was forced to discontinue, as he says, by a servant of Cardinal Ægidius. You will understand this from our common letters.——Since I wrote this he has come to me, saying he is threatened with death if he write, and he would like the Pope not only to order but to compel him. I persuaded him, however, to deny that he was writing, and go on, assuring him that your Majesty would write to the Pope in his behalf.

Bishop Hipolitus de Nobili, friar, excuses himself for not having written, owing to ill health, but promises to do so now that he has recovered.

Gives an account of an audience with the Pope, in which he remonstrated against the refusal of his Holiness to grant letters decretal, or commit the cause to England, remarking on an insinuation of the Pope that the divorce was not popular there, as an argument for the latter course. Had some discussion with him on the value of the opinion of the University of Paris. Reminded the Pope of his obligations to England at the time the Emperor was at war with his Holiness, of which the writer had good knowledge when he was in Spain, and said that his predecessors had not been so dilatory when they saw danger impending. Urged also that the Emperor either would not or could not oppose a General Council, if other princes were agreed to it, and if it took place it would be greatly to the prejudice of his authority, for during the last 200 years no Pope has continued Pope after a General Council.

Reports another interview with his Holiness upon a Sunday, when the Pope said he could with less scandal give the King a dispensation for two wives, than grant what the writer asked;—but not knowing how this would suit his Majesty, thought it better to stick to the point. The Pope, however, continued to speak of the King's having two wives, and found several difficulties, especially that the Emperor would never consent to it on account of the prejudice which would ensue to the Princess.* Replied, that he did not see why the Emperor was to be considered, if a way was lawfully opened for the King to have male issue, or that he would have any cause to complain. He might make the same complaint if the Queen died, and the King wanted a dispensation to marry within the prohibited degrees. This observation the Pope did not answer. From what he said about the Emperor, does not feel sure that he would grant such a dispensation, even if the King would be content with it.

Seeing his obstinacy, went to some of the cardinals, regretting the danger to which the Pope was exposing the Holy See; but even they appeared to be very little moved. They said, however, they would do what they could to influence the Pope; and so did Sanga. Had an interview also with Philip de Senis on the same subject.

Further conversations with the Pope.

Lat., pp. 10, *partly cipher, deciphered. Add.*

2. Decipher in Tuke's hand.

Pp. 6. *Headed:* Ex literis receptis i. die Octobris. *Endd.*

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* This is deciphered, "quod ex hoc principes sepe rueret," instead of "principisse perveniret."

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262. [THE AMBASSADORS AT ROME to HENRY VIII.]

Think it right to tell the King why they did not execute the whole of their instructions. One point was, that if the Pope refused to grant a decretal to three bishops or a commission to the archbishop and clergy of Canterbury, they should draw up a protestation that justice was denied them, and present an appeal to a future General Council. Explain their reasons for not doing so, at least until they have fresh orders, which can be sent before anything new is done here. Pius II. and Julius II. issued bulls prohibiting such appeals; of which they send copies. The same consideration prevented them from going to the Cardinals to announce the letter of the nobles (No. 6513). Thought it prudent also not to allege the privilege of the kingdom of England when the Pope asked why they did not come to judgment before him, on account of the doubt which the doctors cast upon that privilege. State reasons also why they did not consult the doctors about the objection to the Pope on the score of legitimacy or simony, and whether a single cardinal could make a valid protest, seeing that several Popes had been illegitimate. Send copy of the bull of Julius against simony.

Headed: Extracta literarum in cifris receptarum ultimo Septembris, anno xxij. R.

Lat., copy by Tuke, pp. 3. *Endd.*

3 Oct.

263. KATHARINE OF ARRAGON to the CARD. S. CRUCIS.*

Hopes God will reward him for his pains in her matter, as it concerns His Church. Desires him to use his influence with the Pope that her cause shall remain in the Rota, and not be removed on any pretence to England. Windsor, 3 Oct.

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264. RICHARD CROKE.

"Articles against Sir Gregory Casalis and his brethren, which shall be proved partly with their own letters, partly with the letters of divers other men of good and substantial credence;" viz., that Sir Gregory had divulged at Milan that the question concerned the King, which made the doctors afraid to meddle, and had delivered the King's book to his enemies, who wrote against it: that he had delivered an abstract of the arguments in the King's behalf to Vincent de Cremona, who caused the determination of Ferrara to be taken from Croke: that Paul de Casalis promised in his brother's name that the King should take no displeasure with the duke of Ferrara on that account: that John de Casalis gave Croke, on his first coming to Venice, a false index of St. Mark's library, that he might not find the epistle of Basil, and had exhorted Simonetus at Padua to suppress the subscriptions he had obtained.

Croke's hand, pp. 2. *Endd.*

265. THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Opinions of various divines in favor of the divorce, sent by Croke.

1. Of Peter de Verona, Servite friar.
Lat., pp. 3. *Endd.*

R. O. 2. Of Chrysostom de Casalis, inquisitor of the order of Preachers.
Lat., pp. 4. *Endd.*

R. O. 3. Another copy of § 2. with three signatures appended.
Pp. 8.

* MS. sold by Messrs. Sotheby and Co., 17 March 1875.

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R. O. 4. Another opinion, endorsed "Consilium fratris M. Antonii Faven', ministri, &c., ord. Convent. S. Francisci."

R. O. 5. Of Thos. Omnibonus, prior of SS. John and Paul, Venice, and Alex. da Capo, S.T.P. *Signed.*
Lat., p. 1. *Endd.*

R. O. 6. Of Thos. Omnibonus, dated 20 April 1530, offering to write more in the cause.
Lat., p. 1.

R. O. 7. Similar opinion, signed by Omnibonus, John Francis de Bratis, of Venice, and two others.
Lat., pp. 2. *Endd. by Croke.*

R. O. 8. Similar opinion, signed by Omnibonus, Constantine Zar[nus], and Lewis de Martinis.
Lat., p. 1. *Endd. by Croke.*

R. O. 9. Similar opinion, signed by Omnibonus, Peter de Brundusio, and two others.
Lat., p. 1. *Endd. by Croke.*

R. O. 10. Similar opinion, signed by Omnibonus and Andrew Fineti, to whose name is appended the remark, "Iste fatuus est."
Lat., pp. 2. *Endd.*

R. O. 11. Similar opinion, signed by Omnibonus, Boninus Salvio, John Gentilinus, and four others.
Lat., pp. 2. *Endd.:* Syngrapha aliquot Paduanorum, &c.

R. O. 12. Similar opinion, signed and sealed by Omnibonus, Alex. de Bonzaninis, Jas. de Symeonibus, and six others.
Lat., pp. 3. *Endd.:* Ex Utino, authore Thoma Omnibono.
To each of the above Croke has noted, "Crocus Londoniensi tradidit."

R. O. 13. Copy of the preceding. *Endd. by Croke:* These subscriptions sealed are in my hand, and were gotten by father Thomas Omnibonus, of whose hand this copy is.

14. Modern copy of the preceding.

R. O. 15. Similar opinion, signed by Omnibonus, Peter Justinopolitanus, Bernardinus Senensis, and five others.
Lat., pp. 2. *Endd. by Croke:* Subscriptions sent by Friar Thomas.

R. O. 16. Similar opinion, subscribed by Omnibonus and Nicolaus Birianus.
Lat., p. 1.

R. O. 17. Of a lawyer, against the dispensing power of the Pope.
Lat., p. 1. *Headed:* Summa eorum quæ habentur in hoc consilio.

R. O. 18. Anonymous, on the dispensing power.
Lat., pp. 9. *Endd.*

R. O. 19. List of subscriptions to opinions in the King's favor obtained by Croke, through Simonetus, Franciscus Georgius, Annibal Grisonius, and Thomas Omnibonus.
Lat., pp. 11. *Endd. by Croke:* The subscriptions gote by Mr. Croke.

R. O. 20. "The names of doctors that hath subscribed to our conclusion by Simonetus' means."
P. 1. *Endd. by Croke as above.*

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R. O. 21. A list of 57 doctors and other learned men of Verona, Venice, Udine, Brescia, Bologna, Trevisa, Milan, Piacenza, and Parma, who have written in the King's favor.

Lat., pp. 5. *Endd. by the King:* Nomina eorum qui in partes nostros (*sic*) scripsere in Italia.

R. O. 22. List of the doctors at the College of Padua.

P. 1, *mutilated. Endd.*

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R. O. i. A speech delivered in some university on the unlawfulness of marriage with a deceased brother's wife. *Signed:* "J. Dayma."

Lat., pp. 12. *Begins:* "Etsi, senator dignissime." *Ends:* "benivolo datur animo."

ii. An argument against the dispensing power in the case of such a marriage. *Signed:* "Blazius Auziolus, doctor."

Lat., pp. 9. *Begins:* "Super dubio proposito." *Ends:* "et generalis status ecclesiæ."

iii. Another similar argument. *Signed:* "J. de Fraxino, Regens Universitatis Tholosanæ."

Lat., pp. 8. *Begins:* "Quæstio mihi infrasubscripto proposita talis est." *Ends:* "cum videantur magna ad utramque partem argumenta."

iv. Another similar argument. *Signed:* "J. de Fraxino."

Lat., pp. 4. *Begins:* "Arduo dubio michi oblato." *Ends:* "salva correctione melius sentientis et Papæ determinatione."

v. Another similar argument. Dated Toulouse, in the convent of the Preachers, iv. kal. Jan. 1530. *Signed:* "Frater Ramundus Gosinus, inquisitor prædictus."

Lat., pp. 3. *Begins:* "Utrum sic sit jure divino pariter et naturali prohibitum." *After the date is added:* "artus nostros lenta quatiente febre."

vi. Another argument on the same subject, pronouncing against such a marriage as contrary to natural and Divine law, but favoring the dispensing power in certain cases. Dated Toulouse, "anno a Partu Virginis 1530, 23 Madii" (*sic*). *Signed:* "F. Spiritus Roterus, lector Auscitanus or. Frm. Prædicatorum." *Add.:* "D. Johanni Bartholomei, in supprema curia Parlamenti, senatori inclyto."

Lat., pp. 9. *In a vellum cover. Endd.:* "Consilia Blesii, Aurelii et aliorum doctorum Tolosanorum."

R. O. 2. Extract from an opinion of some university against the dispensing power.

Lat., p. 1.

R. O. 3. An argument against the dispensing power in the divorce question. *Signed:* "Annibal Gr., Ju. ut. doct."

Lat., pp. 3. *Begins:* "Licet punctus." *Ends:* "Volo esse contentus."

R. O. 4. An opinion, signed "M. Hartier," maintaining the right of a wife to leave her husband on her own authority, when the tie is illicit or incestuous, and to marry again. The matter ought to be decided by the ordinary of the place, and not referred to the Pope, except by regular appeal. In case of a denial of justice she must not act against her conscience.

Lat., pp. 2. *Endd. by the King:* "Opinio cujusdam eruditissimi in nostram causam, scilicet propria autoritate licet ducere."

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267. THE DIVORCE.

R. O. Extract from a brief of Julius II. to his Nuncio in Spain, dated 14 March 1504, concerning the delay in granting the dispensation for the marriage of Henry and Katharine.

Lat., p. 1. *Marginal note by Ghinucci. Endd. by Hen. VIII.:* A note of a brefe off Pope Julii makyng for oure cause.

268. ——— to DOCTOR [DE AUGUSTINIS].

R. O. I request you to further the suits of my friend, the bearer, to my Lord's grace, whereby you shall minister unto me great pleasure.

Draft, p. 1. *Endd.:* "Mr. Abraham."

Year uncertain.

269. [KATHARINE OF ARRAGON to CHARLES V.]

R. O. Asks him to give a Breton ship, taken by his Great Admiral, and now lying in Flushing haven, to James Beke, merchant of London, who has sustained a great loss, both by French pirates and by storm within the Emperor's waters.

Pp. 2, *draft in English. Endd.:* The most myty Cesar.

270. CHARLES DUKE OF SUFFOLK to WOLSEY.

R. O. In favor of the bearer, the steward of Great Yarmouth, who is deputed by the town to sue for them to the King, in a matter between them and one Palmer, a customer and bailiff there, who has obtained a letter signed by the King in discharge of his bailiwick. Rising, 28 March. *Signed.*

P. 1. *Add.:* To my lord Cardinal.

271. The INHABITANTS OF ALDEBURGH to CROMWELL.

R. O. Send him "a porpes pyg." Request him to be good solicitor to my Lord's grace in their causes, and will recompense his pains. Aldeburgh in Suffolk, 2 Oct.

P. 1. *Add.:* To the right worshipful Master Cromwell. *Endd.*

272. ANTHONY APPULBY to CROMWELL.

R. O. Thanks him for his favor touching the parsonage of Brandisburton, the gift of my lord Legate through Cromwell's labor. Sends the 20*l.* promised by Mr. Donyngton to my Lord for the assignation of the pension of Brandisburton. Thos. Bertton will pay it to whom Cromwell pleases. Sends an angel noble for a token, and will send a better yearly while he lives. Begs Cromwell to get him a prebend in York or Beverley, and will pay whatever it costs, either to my Lord or otherwise. Will give Cromwell 20*l.* to buy a saddle for his pains. Londesburghe, 2 July. *Signed:* Sir Anthony Appulby, by your good favor the parson of Bransburton.

P. 1. *Add.:* Master Cromwell, councillor and high officer to my lord Legate's grace at Yorke's Place. *Endd.*

273. CORN SURVEY.*

R. O. Account of grain in the hundreds of Myddelton, Teneham, Boughton, Wye, Fylberough, Downhamford, Bleangate and Whitstaple, giving the number of bushels of each kind of grain, and the population of each hundred. *Pp.* 3, *mutilated. Endd.*

* Probably of the year 1528.

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ABBREVIATIONS.

"g." *for* "grant." "p." *for* "page." "plur." *for* "pluries."
"sig." *for* "signature." "und." *for* "undated."

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68. Page 27, l. 7, after "if" insert "Francis."

86 (14). John Barnard. The date of delivery is 24 Jan., not 14 Jan.

107, l. 4, for "Heyham" read "Hexham."

126. The date of this document, though clearly written "the xxviij of February" in the Harl. MS., is given as the "last of February" (which would be the 29th in this year) in the two R.O. copies.

137 (11). In grant to Wm. Thynne, for "Rye, Essex," read "Rye, Sussex."

137 (12). In com. of the peace for Worc., for "E." bp. of Coventry, read "G." bp. of Coventry.

137 (18). In the commission for Cornwall, for "John Arundel lord de la Hern" read "Sir John Arundel de la Hern."

180. In heading, for "[Boissi]" read "[The Bastard of Savoy.]"

183, l. 10. The comma after "College" should be a full stop, and the full stop after "London" a comma.

199, l. 15, for "Bourbon's" read "Barbon's."

243. The spy's confession here referred to is erroneously catalogued in Vol. III., No. 2769, as of the year 1523. Compare No. 269.

277. This letter appears to belong to the year 1523. Starkey was appointed sheriff of Lancashire on the 18th April 14 Hen. VIII. See his appointment in the register of the duchy of Lancaster, temp. Hen. VIII. f. 62 b.

429. *Dele* the foot note.

448. This letter appears to be of the year 1522. *See* Vol. III., No. 2345.

464 (1). In grant to J. Kempe, for "Northelinham" read "Northelmham."

494, for "Draguegnau" read "Draguegnan."

546 (23). John Hove. This grant is repeated in a S.B., dated 29 June 1526, which has been omitted in the Calendar.

631, p. 280, l. 3, for "to sent him" read "sent him to."

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631, 1508, and 4450. For "Sir Wm. Sandys" read "Wm. Lord Sandys."

662, p. 292, l. 18 from top, for archbishop "of" Berwick read archbishop "to" Berwick.

664, for "Robert Creighton" read "James Creighton."

671. Date to letter "15 Sept." should be "18 Sept." as in margin.

685, p. 305. As this is a duplicate No., it is referred to in the Index as 685 a.

702. This is the schedule in 602 (ii.), which having got displaced in the volume Calig. B. I. since the State Papers were printed, is mentioned in the foot note as no longer attached to the document in which it was enclosed.

857 and 860 are duplicates of the same letter.

907. Should be of the year 1526.

921. This entry belongs to the year 1525.

950, l. 2, for "Ampuzca" read "Quipuzca."

1030, l. 5, for "Brauxholm" read "Branxholm."

1044. It appears by No. 1831, that Wolsey was at Richmond on the 21 Dec. 1525. This letter may therefore belong to January 1526.

1049. 28 Jan. Grants on French Roll to the duke of Norfolk, and to Will. Nudegate and Francis Sydney. The roll on which these grants are entered is docketed as of the years 17—21 Hen. VIII.; but memb. 1, on which the entries in question occur, is endorsed as of the 16th year,—perhaps erroneously, as another entry on that memb. (*see* No. 1465, for the Abbey of St. Hubert in Ardaine) is certainly of the 17th year.

1057, for "Angus to Dacre," read "Sir Chr. Dacre to Angus."

1078, for "Vit. B. VII. 28." in margin, read "R.O."

1136 (2), in commission for Essex, for "Tho. Tyrell lord Hern" read "Sir Tho. Tyrell of Hern."

1136 (12), l. 11, for "R[y]ntabyn" read "Seyntabyn."

No.

1136 (12), for "John Arundel lord de la Hern" read "Sir John Arundel de la Hern."

1226. 31 March 1525. A letter to the King to the same effect in R.O., casually omitted from the Calendar, is printed in Rymer under the year 1526.

1235. "Skelton." So in Ellis, but "Shelton" in orig.

1243. At end supply word "over."

1263. The date "19 April" should be "12 April," as in margin.

1323. Add at the end "*Signed.*"

1332. Add at the end "*Signed.*"

1397. Supply "R.O." in margin.

1433, head line, for "VESEY" read "VESCY."

1533 (6). In grant to Ric. Petit, add "S.B."

1610 (11, York, N. Riding), for "Hen. Scrop lord Bolton" read "Hen. lord Scrop of Bolton."

1644. Omit this entry. The Vatican Transcript, from which the document is printed in the State Papers, is very inaccurate; among other things, in the date of the year; and an abstract of the letter has been given from Theiner under its true date in No. 664.

1676 (20), l. 3, for "Chelmysmore" read "Chelysmore."

1679. This document should have been placed in the year 1524.

1727. "Joseph Uvedale" misprinted in Howard's letters for "John."

1755. This document has already been noticed in the year 1519, (*see* Vol. III. No. 572,) which, however, would seem to be an error. The letter is printed in Wilkins' Concilia, III. 659.

1761, l. 3. For "*exclusionis*" we ought evidently to read "*conclusionis.*" The error, however, is in the original cipher.

1767, l. 5, after "seemed" insert "to."

1770. The signature of this letter, which the transcriber could not read, is "Noblet." *See* Gayangos' Calendar, 467.

1885. In margin, for "Vit. B. VII. 125." read "Vit. B. VII. 215."

1913, l. 11, for "Shevyngton" read "Sherington." The name is written "Shevyngton" on the Patent Roll, but the correct form is given in the Privy Seal.

1940 (2 ii.) "Jo. Denton" for an error in the original MS., read "Jas. Denton."

p. 874, l. 12, for "Appully" read "Appulby."

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p. 877 note, for "earl of Northumberland" read "earl of Leicester."

2001. This document belongs to the year 1525.

2002 (8). Ric. Dodyngton. This grant has been misplaced, and belongs to the 15th year. *See* 8 Feb. 1524.

2002 (11), p. 901, l. 7. *Dele* "(Ipswich)."

2002 (11), p. 901 (*Staffordshire*). "John Denton, dean of Lichfield," is an error in the Patent Roll. His Christian name was James.

2008, l. 5, for "[*Ducis*]" read "[*Marchionis*]."

2024, l. 39, for "Woddham Martyn" read "Woddham Martymer."

2029. "R. O." omitted.

2063, p. 928, l. 2 from top. After "Ale" read "and Beer;" and for "Beer" read "Malt."

2096. This document belongs to the year 1527. *See* No. 3040, of which it appears to be a decipher. There is no authority for the marginal date.

2159, p. 968, ll. 24, 25, for "the Lady St. John's" read "the Lord of St. John's."

2201. *Dele.* *See* No. 1887.

2218 (5), for "Ralph Browne" read "Geoffrey Browne."

2291 (17), for "Lanthorn" read "Lanthorne."

2291 (28). Ric. Stokke. *Dele.* *See* Jan. following.

2292 ii. Instructions to Patrick Sinclair in accordance with these annotations of Wolsey, are in a MS. in the possession of Sir Alex. Mallet.

2322, l. 7, from top, after "Dalby" insert the word "late."

2323. This letter is probably of the year 1528.

2325, l. 18. Insert "not" before "inclined."

2335. To "Henry VIII." affix †.

2336. Add "R. O." in margin; and for "23 July" read "28 July." Misprinted in Rymer.

2362 (26). Rob. Byngeley. Add P.S. at the end of this entry.

2412. Add to this entry:—
"P.S. b. 2. Petition for the above by Wolsey, certifying the new abbot's confirmation. Westm., 20 —— 1526, 18 Hen. VIII."

2507. This letter is of the year 1519. *See* Vol. III. No. 423.

2540, for "(23)" read "(20)."

2540, at end. Date of *Del.* should be 8 Oct. *See* No. 2555.

2556, at end. *Dele* "Fr."

2566, p. 1140, l. 1, for "Rovarius" read "Rorarius."

No.

p. 1158. In the second foot note, after "order" insert "dated 23 Oct. 1526."

2608. This letter belongs to the year 1525.

2629, l. 17 from bottom of page, for "through" read "though."

2652, for "*P.* 1" read "*Pp.* 3."

2697, l. 5, for "Urges him" read "Urges them."

2701. For "Lawrens Gyllys, chaunceler" read "Lawrens Gyllys, chaundeler."

2704, l. 10, for "no" read "do."

2711 (2). Although this paper is of the year 1526, the marginal annotations are of some years' later date.

2729. This letter belongs to the year 1525.

2882. Insert in margin "P. S. b."

2921, p. 1307, l. 1, for "(*sic*)" read "[si]."

2926, l. 2, for "Hertfordshire" read "Herefordshire." It is "Herfordshire" in the MS.

2942. This document is in Du Bellay's hand.

3027. Add "P. S. b." in margin.

3040. Add at the end, "*Cipher.*"

3051, p. 1370, l. 24, for "kinsman" read "kinswoman."

3104. "Sir Thomas Wyat" is an error for "Sir Henry Wyat," as shown by the text of the document.

3105, p. 1412, line 26, for "sent" read "send."

3182. Insert "P. S. b." in margin.

3213 (16). In grant to Tho. marquis of Dorset, &c., add reference :—"*Pat. p.* 1, *m.* 2."

3225, top line, for "21st June" read "1st July."

3246. In marginal reference, for "B. M." read "R. O."

3258, l. 8, before "which" insert "a stone cross."

3432, for "Antynary" read "Antyvary."

3479, for "MARG. ZOUCHE" read "MARY ZOUCHE."

3540 (18). In grant to Hogeson, for "(Chichester)" read "(Cirencester.)"

3540 (19), p. 1595, l. 14, for "lord Lovell" read "Thos. Lovell."

3557. The writer of this letter must have been Sir Anthony Browne. It is in his clerk's hand.

3558, l. 13, the sieur "de Soyms." This seems to be a misreading for "Poyntz" of Le Grand.

3585, l. 5, for "Emperor" read "Empress."

3609. This document is misplaced. The date in the margin ought to have been "11 Nov." as at the end.

No.

3617. This document appears to belong to the year 1526. *See* App. 77.

3619. Insert "R. T., 137," before "R.O." in margin.

3631. The date of this letter must be 22 Feb. 1528, or just after. *See* No. 3967.

3643 (2), for "Copy" read "Two copies (with slight verbal differences in some places)."

3686, 3. In margin, for "Tib. C. x." read "Tit. C. x."

3738, last line, for "surveyor" read "assayor."

3772. This letter is of the year 1517. *See* Vol. II. No. 2716.

3823, l. 1, for "Deaodara" read "Deardara."

p. 1704, margin, l. 3, for "818" read "318."

3886. "R. O." omitted in margin.

3947, p. 1755, l. 18, for "S. Baptista" read "J. Baptista."

3974. This is misplaced. *See* No. 6246.

4012. In date, for "Hexon" read "Hoxon."

4049. This letter is in Du Bellay's hand.

4069. In margin, for "R. O." read "B. M."

4091, l. 12, before "Dunbar" insert "the dean of."

4095. Jerningham to Wolsey, of same date and effect in R. O., casually omitted.

4156. The true date of this letter is 12 Sept. 1428. *See* foot note to letter of that date, No. 4723.

4204. This may have been written in March. *See* No. 4093.

4225, l. 2, for "village" read "vicarage."

4232. Insert "R. O." in margin.

4299. The marginal date should be "27 May," as the 27th was Wednesday. The date in the endorsement seems to be the day on which the letter was received.

4313 (11). In grant to Rob. Brown, l. 3, for "18 Hen. VIII." read "8 Hen. VIII."

4313 (15). John Scott. "S. B. und." to be added.

4391, p. 1924, l. 38, for "made" read "sent."

4392, 5064. There is another letter of Mary to the Grand Master, in behalf of Anthoine du Val, in the French Archives, Bibl. Nat. 3015, f. 20, dated Norwich, 15 Jan.

4424, l. 15, for "Chetmundeston" read "Chelmundeston."

4456, l. 22, for "should having" read "should have."

No.

4550. There is a letter to the same effect from Clement VII. to Charles V., of which there is a copy at Simancas, and an English abstract in Add. MS. 28,577, f. 240.

4687 (6), l. 4. for "Kynyton" read "Kyngton."

4700, l. 1, for "four petitions presented" read "an answer made."

4841, l. 2. "John" bp. of Ely is an error in the original MS. The bp.'s name was Nicholas.

4842. A more accurate abstract of this document from a modern copy is found under the 9 Jan. 1529. The former entry is probably too early.

4855, l. 7, for "Henry" read "Geoffrey."

4865, l. 8, par. 2, for "bp. of Winchester" read "bp. of Worcester."

4878. In date of letter (p. 2110, l. 3 from bottom), for "16 Oct." read "26 Oct."

4896 (19). Barnard Tunbroke. This document is enrolled in the 21st year.

4933. This must be earlier than 1528, as Hugh Inge was succeeded in the abpric. of Dublin in August of that year. Probably it is of the year 1527.

4947. This document belongs to the year 1527.

4954. This should be in the year 1527.

5031, last line on p. 2183, for "Winchester" read "Winchelsea."

5049, l. 3. *Dele* "[Tuke.]"

5052, for "*P.* 1" at the end, read "*Pp.* 2."

5083 (10), p. 2216, l. 3 from bottom. Tho. "duke" of Rutland, instead of "earl;" but the title is "dux" on the roll.

5094, p. 2220, foot note, for "8th Oct." read "18th Oct."

5100. Insert at end, before "*Endd.*", "*Pp.* 3."

5102. "R.O." omitted in margin to 1st article.

5188, last line. *Dele* "*In Vannes' hand.*"

p. 2291, l. 11 from the bottom, for "U[bin]" read "U[rbin]."

5220, l. 2, for "Dr. Lindon" read "Dr. London."

5240. This letter should be omitted, being certainly later than 1530.

5426. The date of this document is in the original 5 April 1529 "ante Pascha," which means 1530 in the ordinary computation.

5605. This seems really to be a letter of Sanga to Salviati, though Salviati's signature is appended to it in the Lettere di Principi. Compare 5546, and the text of that letter in the work referred to.

No.

5605. Cardinal Salviati was at this time in France. Query whether the date or the signature of the letter is wrong?

5685, for "Barnard's Castle" read "Baynard's Castle."

5743. In date, for "Ult. Jan." read "Ult. Jun."

5748 (12). In grant to Th. Marshalle, for "Swaffham, Bulbek, Kent," read "Swaffham Bulbek, Camb."

5757. This letter is clearly later than No. 6219.

5760. This letter is printed in Raynaldi.

5785. A letter to the King to the same effect is in Raynaldi.

5791 (1). At the bottom of the entry on p. 2589, after "*Endd.*" add "*by Tunstal.*"

5815 (6), l. 8, for "Essex" read "Surrey."

5815 (16). Sir John Villiers, &c. After "Pardon" add "for having acquired," &c., as in g. 5748 (3).

5827, penultimate line, "archduke of Capua." So in MS.

5886. Omit foot note.

5953, p. 2656, l. 2 from bottom, for "Greenwich" read "Graft[on]." The misreading is in Ellis, the name being in the MS. partly mutilated and partly very faint.

5959, for "Bp. of Coma" read "Bp. of Como."

5978 (14), for "marches of Wales" read "marches of Calais."

6013. This document should have been placed in the year 1530.

6026, p. 2683, l. 19 from bottom, for "to Greenwich" read "from Greenwich."

6069. The original MS. of this is now in B. M., in Add. MS. 29,597.

6072 (22). Sir Geo. Darsey. The charter confirmed, stated to be of Edward IV. in the document, is certainly of Edward III.

6093. This entry should have been "12 Feb. 1529."

6097. "John archbp. of Armagh." So the name stands on the roll, but the Christian name should have been "George."

6119 (2), for "Winchester" read "Winchelsea."

6135 (22), for "Bassyngborne, Kent," read "Bassyngborne, Cambridge."

6170. This letter should have been placed under its proper date, 27 Dec. 1529.

6172, for "James Lacye" read "John Lacye."

6187 (30). In grant to John Wyn ap Meredd', for "Ewydyr" read "Gwydyr." The error is in the Patent Roll.

No.
6242, l. 3 from bottom of text, for "Cherbourg" read "la Charité."

6303 ii. Insert "R.O." above the reference to Wilkins.

6363 (20), p. 2857, l. 3, for "Southampton" read "Hants."

6385. This letter is printed by Strype (Cranmer, ii. 694) as addressed to Warham, which is probably correct.

6387, last line, for "die Maii" read "die xv. Maii."

6389. In the margin, for "5114" read "25,114."

6402, ll. 7, 8. "Ric. Dooke, archdeacon of Wiltshire." So in Wilkins, but, according to Le Neve, he was archdeacon of Salisbury, and Edward Fynche was archdeacon of Wiltshire.

6418 (8). The grant to John Wylliams should be as follows:—"To be clerk of the King's jewels, with 20 marks a year, after the death or surrender of Thomas Wyat, esquire of the Royal Body, son and heir of [Sir] Henry Wyat, who holds the office by patent 21 Oct. 16 Hen.VIII. Greenwich, 6 April 22 Hen.VIII. *Del.* Westm., 8 May.—P.S."

6418 (10). In grant to Ric. Knaxton, for "Henderson" read "Hundesdon," and alter the comma after Hamys into a full stop.

6418 (24). In grant to Eliz. Brocke, for "Canterbury" read "Cambridge."

6433, l. 6 from bottom of page, for "could" read "would."

6448 (2). There is a copy of this in paper in R.O., mutilated.

6473, l. 13. *Dele* "(Osith's)."

6490 (23), p. 2920, l. 40, first col., for "Essex" read "Sussex."

6496, for "*p.* 1" read "*pp.* 2."

6525. This document belongs to the year 1529.

6547. The name "Sir John Boleyn" is undoubtedly an error in Howard, and ought to be "Sir James." *See* 6515 and 6516.

6598, l. 3 from bottom, for "Sir Edw. Gage" read "Sir Edw. Gorge."

6600 (1), for "Nottingham" read "Notts."

6600 (17). In date of del. for "17 June" read "17 Aug."

6600 (18). In "Mandate to Wm. lord Mountjoy," after date, add "P.S."

6604. Add: "R.O. 2. Another draft."

6748 (11), l. 2, for "17 March 20 Hen.VIII." read "20 March 17 Hen.VIII."

6751 (11). In grant to Hen. Byrde, for "forest of Walridge, Hants," read "forest of Wabridge (Hunts.)"

No.
6781. The original of this document is in R.O., pp. 3, as well as the modern copy.

App. 227, for "*Pp.* 3" read "*Pp.* 4."

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Under Alessandria *insert* g. 4445 (5).

„ Amadas, Rob., *for* App. 245 *read* App. 243.

For Aston Roivant *read* Aston Rowant, *and add reference under it to* p. 3068.

Under Auckland, Bishop's, *add* letter dated at, App. 191.

„ Barbezieulx, sieur de, *insert* App. 181, 192, 209.

„ Beaurain and Rœux, *add* "*See also* Rœux."

For Beton, David (*p.* 3222, *top of col.* 2), *read* Beton, James.

Under Blioul, Laurence du, *add* his sig., 1652.

„ Boleyn, Sir Thomas, *add* "*See also* Rochford, Thos. viscount, *and* Wiltshire and Ormond, earl of."

„ Boleyn, Sir Thomas, his wife Eliz., *add* "*See also* Rochford, lady."

„ Bonnivet, Wm. Gouffier lord of, *insert* 88,773–4, 1072, 1131. *The last No.*, 6200, *refers to his brother Francis, who became lord of Bonnivet on his decease in* 1525.

Insert Borgo, Nich. del, g. 6187 (25).

Under Brinon, John, *add* "*See also* Rouen, president of."

„ Brion, Philip Chabot, sieur de, *insert these Nos.*:—1641, 2103, 2115, 2606, 2651, 2728, 2771, 2848, 2981, 2985, 3171, 3443 (1), 3495, 3873, 4065, 5866, 5911–13, 5931, 5942, 6092, 6458, 6526, App. 59.

„ Bristol, St. Augustine's, abbot of, *insert* 4096 iii.

„ Brixen, bp. of, *omit* 5240.

„ Browne, "Ralph," 2218 (5), *read* "Geoffrey," error in text.

Insert Burjo, baron del, nuncio sent to England, 6700.

Under Calais, treasurer of, *insert* 2611, App. 87.

„ Cambridge, St. Nicholas Hostell, *add* letter dated at, 6457.

„ Cavendish, Ric., *for* g. 287 (und.) *read* g. 297 (und.)

„ Cavendish, Wm., *for* 269 (4) *read* 969 (4).

Insert Cecil (Syssel), Edmund, p. 235.

Under Chabot, Ph., *add* "*See* Brion."

„ Ealing (Yelling) *insert* 969 (4).

Under Egerton Hill, *for* App. 244, *read* App. 252.

„ Fitzwilliam, Sir Wm., jun., *insert* 4403–4.

„ Gardiner, Dr. Steph., *insert* 3360.

„ Ghinucci, Peter de, *insert* 5765.

Under Higdon, John, *insert* 4135, 4862.

„ Imola, *insert* 3800, 3853.

„ Luzars, *for* Luzerch *read* Lusarche.

Insert McWylyn, ——, g. 2002 (12).

Under Pershore, abbey and abbot of, *add* 2458.

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CALENDAR OF TREASURY PAPERS, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* JOSEPH REDINGTON, Esq. 1868-1874.

Vol. I.—1557-1696.
Vol. II.—1697-1702.
Vol. III.—1702-1707.

The above Papers connected with the affairs of the Treasury comprise petitions, reports, and other documents relating to services rendered to the State, grants of money and pensions, appointments to offices, remissions of fines and duties, &c. They illustrate civil and military events, finance, the administration in Ireland and the Colonies, &c., and afford information nowhere else recorded.

CALENDAR OF THE CAREW PAPERS, preserved in the Lambeth Library. *Edited by* J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London; and WILLIAM BULLEN, Esq. 1867-1873.

Vol. I.—1515-1574.
Vol. II.—1575-1588.
Vol. III.—1589-1600.
Vol. IV.—1601-1603.
Vol. V.—Book of Howth; Miscellaneous.
Vol. VI.—1603-1624.

The Carew Papers relating to Ireland, deposited in the Lambeth Library, are unique, and of great importance. The Calendar (now completed) cannot fail to be welcome to all students of Irish history.

CALENDAR OF LETTERS, DESPATCHES, AND STATE PAPERS, relating to the Negotiations between England and Spain, preserved in the Archives at Simancas, and elsewhere. *Edited by* G. A. BERGENROTH. 1862–1868.

Vol. I.—Hen. VII.—1485–1509.
Vol. II.—Hen. VIII.—1509–1525.
Supplement to Vol. I. and Vol. II.

Mr. Bergenroth was engaged in compiling a Calendar of the Papers relating to England preserved in the archives of Simancas in Spain, and the corresponding portion removed from Simancas to Paris. Mr. Bergenroth also visited Madrid, and examined the Papers there, bearing on the reign of Henry VIII. The first volume contains the Spanish Papers of the reign of Henry VII.; the second volume, those of the first portion of the reign of Henry VIII. The Supplement contains new information relating to the private life of Queen Katharine of England; and to the projected marriage of Henry VII. with Queen Juana, widow of King Philip of Castile, and mother of the Emperor Charles V.

CALENDAR OF LETTERS, DESPATCHES, AND STATE PAPERS, relating to the Negotiations between England and Spain, preserved in the Archives at Simancas, and elsewhere. *Edited by* DON PASCUAL DE GAYANGOS. 1873.

Vol. III., Part 1.—Hen. VIII.—1525–1526.

Upon the death of Mr. Bergenroth, Don Pascual de Gayangos was appointed to continue the Calendar of the Spanish State Papers. He has pursued a similar plan to that of his predecessor, but has been able to add much valuable matter from Brussels and Vienna, with which Mr. Bergenroth was unacquainted.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS AND MANUSCRIPTS, relating to ENGLISH AFFAIRS, preserved in the Archives of Venice, &c. *Edited by* RAWDON BROWN, Esq. 1864–1873.

Vol. I.—1202–1509.
Vol. II.—1509–1519.
Vol. III.—1520–1526.
Vol. IV.—1527–1533.
Vol. V.—1534–1554.

Mr. Rawdon Brown's researches have brought to light a number of valuable documents relating to various periods of English history; his contributions to historical literature are of the most interesting and important character.

SYLLABUS, IN ENGLISH, OF RYMER'S FŒDERA. *By* Sir THOMAS DUFFUS HARDY, D.C.L., Deputy Keeper of the Public Records. Vol. I.—Will. I.–Edw. III.; 1066–1377. Vol. II.—Ric. II.–Chas. II.; 1377–1654. 1869–1873.

The "Fœdera," or "Rymer's Fœdera," is a collection of miscellaneous documents illustrative of the History of Great Britain and Ireland, from the Norman Conquest to the reign of Charles II. Several editions of the "Fœdera" have been published, and the present Syllabus was undertaken to make the contents of this great National Work more generally known.

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY KEEPER OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS AND THE REV. J. S. BREWER TO THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS, upon the Carte and Carew Papers in the Bodleian and Lambeth Libraries. 1864. *Price* 2*s.* 6*d.*

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY KEEPER OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS TO THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS, upon the Documents in the Archives and Public Libraries of Venice. 1866. *Price* 2*s.* 6*d.*

In the Press.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS relating to IRELAND, OF THE REIGN OF ELIZABETH, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* HANS CLAUDE HAMILTON, Esq., F.S.A. Vol. III.—1586, &c.

SYLLABUS, IN ENGLISH, OF RYMER'S FŒDERA. *By* Sir THOMAS DUFFUS HARDY, D.C.L., Deputy Keeper of the Public Records. Vol. III.—Appendix and Index.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS AND MANUSCRIPTS, relating to ENGLISH AFFAIRS, preserved in the Archives of Venice, &c. *Edited by* RAWDON BROWN, Esq. Vol. VI.—1555, &c.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, DOMESTIC SERIES, OF THE REIGN OF CHARLES I., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* WILLIAM DOUGLAS HAMILTON, Esq., F.S.A. Vol. XV.—1639–1640.

CALENDAR OF LETTERS, DESPATCHES, AND STATE PAPERS, relating to the Negotiations between England and Spain, preserved in the Archives at Simancas, and elsewhere. *Edited by* DON PASCUAL DE GAYANGOS. Vol. III., Part 2.—Hen. VIII.—1527–1529.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS relating to IRELAND, OF THE REIGN OF JAMES I., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, and elsewhere. *Edited by* the Rev. C. W. RUSSELL, D.D., and JOHN P. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Barrister-at-Law. Vol. IV.—1611–1614.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, FOREIGN SERIES, OF THE REIGN OF ELIZABETH, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* ALLAN JAMES CROSBY, Esq., M.A., Barrister-at-Law. Vol. X.—1572–1574.

CALENDAR OF DOCUMENTS relating to IRELAND, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, London. *Edited by* HENRY SAVAGE SWEETMAN, Esq., B.A., Trinity College, Dublin, Barrister-at-Law (Ireland). Vol. II. 1252, &c.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, DOMESTIC SERIES, DURING THE COMMONWEALTH, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* MARY ANNE EVERETT GREEN. Vol. III.—1651.

CALENDAR OF LETTERS AND PAPERS, FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC, OF THE REIGN OF HENRY VIII., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, the British Museum, &c. *Edited by* J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. Vol. IV., Part 4.

In Progress.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, COLONIAL SERIES, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, and elsewhere. *Edited by* W. NOEL SAINSBURY, Esq. Vol. IV.—East Indies, China, and Japan, 1622, &c. Vol. V.—America and West Indies, 1661, &c.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, DOMESTIC SERIES, OF THE REIGN OF GEORGE III., &c., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* JOSEPH REDINGTON, Esq. (1760–1800), and JOHN RINGWOOD ATKINS, Esq. (1801–1829).

CALENDAR OF TREASURY PAPERS, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* JOSEPH REDINGTON, Esq. Vol. IV.—1708, &c.

THE CHRONICLES AND MEMORIALS OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND DURING THE MIDDLE AGES.

[ROYAL 8vo., half-bound. *Price* 10*s*. each Volume or Part.]

On 25 July 1822, the House of Commons presented an address to the Crown, stating that the editions of the works of our ancient historians were inconvenient and defective; that many of their writings still remained in manuscript, and, in some cases, in a single copy only. They added, "that an "uniform and convenient edition of the whole, published under His Majesty's "royal sanction, would be an undertaking honourable to His Majesty's reign, "and conducive to the advancement of historical and constitutional know-"ledge; that the House therefore humbly besought His Majesty, that He "would be graciously pleased to give such directions as His Majesty, in His "wisdom, might think fit, for the publication of a complete edition of the "ancient historians of this realm, and assured His Majesty that whatever "expense might be necessary for this purpose would be made good."

The Master of the Rolls, being very desirous that effect should be given to the resolution of the House of Commons, submitted to Her Majesty's Treasury in 1857 a plan for the publication of the ancient chronicles and memorials of the United Kingdom, and it was adopted accordingly. In selecting these works, it was considered right, in the first instance, to give preference to those of which the manuscripts were unique, or the materials of which would help to fill up blanks in English history for which no satisfactory and authentic information hitherto existed in any accessible form. One great object the Master of the Rolls had in view was to form a *corpus historicum* within reasonable limits, and which should be as complete as possible. In a subject of so vast a range, it was important that the historical student should be able to select such volumes as conformed with his own peculiar tastes and studies, and not be put to the expense of purchasing the whole collection; an inconvenience inseparable from any other plan than that which has been in this instance adopted.

Of the Chronicles and Memorials, the following volumes have been published. They embrace the period from the earliest time of British history down to the end of the reign of Henry VII.

1. THE CHRONICLE OF ENGLAND, by JOHN CAPGRAVE. *Edited by* the Rev. F. C. HINGESTON, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford. 1858.

Capgrave was prior of Lynn, in Norfolk, and provincial of the order of the Friars Hermits of England shortly before the year 1464. His Chronicle extends from the creation of the world to the year 1417. As a record of the language spoken in Norfolk (being written in English), it is of considerable value.

2. CHRONICON MONASTERII DE ABINGDON. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A., of University College, Durham, and Vicar of Leighton Buzzard. 1858.

This Chronicle traces the history of the great Benedictine monastery of Abingdon in Berkshire, from its foundation by King Ina of Wessex, to the reign of Richard I., shortly after which period the present narrative was drawn up by an inmate of the establishment. The author had access to the title-deeds of the house; and incorporates into his history various charters of the Saxon kings, of great importance as illustrating not only the history of the locality but that of the kingdom. The work is printed for the first time.

3. LIVES OF EDWARD THE CONFESSOR. I.—La Estoire de Seint Aedward le Rei. II.—Vita Beati Edvardi Regis et Confessoris. III.—Vita Æduuardi Regis qui apud Westmonasterium requiescit. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1858.

The first is a poem in Norman French, containing 4,686 lines, addressed to Alianor, Queen of Henry III., and probably written in the year 1245, on the occasion of the restoration of the church of Westminster. Nothing is known of the author. The second is an anonymous poem, containing 536 lines, written between the years 1440 and 1450, by command of Henry VI., to whom it is dedicated. It does not throw any new light on the reign of Edward the Confessor, but is valuable as a specimen of the Latin poetry of the time. The third, also by an anonymous author, was apparently written for Queen Edith, between the years 1066 and 1074, during the pressure of the suffering brought on the Saxons by the Norman conquest. It notices many facts not found in other writers, and some which differ considerably from the usual accounts.

4. MONUMENTA FRANCISCANA; scilicet, I.—Thomas de Eccleston de Adventu Fratrum Minorum in Angliam. II.—Adæ de Marisco Epistolæ. III.—Registrum Fratrum Minorum Londoniæ. *Edited by* J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. 1858.

This volume contains original materials for the history of the settlement of the order of Saint Francis in England, the letters of Adam de Marisco, and other papers connected with the foundation and diffusion of this great body. It has been the aim of the editor to collect whatever historical information could be found in this country, towards illustrating a period of the national history for which only scanty materials exist. None of these have been before printed.

5. FASCICULI ZIZANIORUM MAGISTRI JOHANNIS WYCLIF CUM TRITICO. Ascribed to THOMAS NETTER, of WALDEN, Provincial of the Carmelite Order in England, and Confessor to King Henry the Fifth. *Edited by* the Rev. W. W. SHIRLEY, M.A., Tutor and late Fellow of Wadham College, Oxford. 1858.

This work derives its principal value from being the only contemporaneous account of the rise of the Lollards. When written, the disputes of the school-

men had been extended to the field of theology, and they appear both in the writings of Wycliff and in those of his adversaries. Wycliff's little bundles of tares are not less metaphysical than theological, and the conflict between Nominalists and Realists rages side by side with the conflict between the different interpreters of Scripture. The work gives a good idea of the controversies at the end of the 14th and the beginning of the 15th centuries.

6. THE BUIK OF THE CRONICLIS OF SCOTLAND; or, A Metrical Version of the History of Hector Boece; by WILLIAM STEWART. Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* W. B. TURNBULL, Esq., of Lincoln's Inn, Barrister-at-Law. 1858.

This is a metrical translation of a Latin Prose Chronicle, and was written in the first half of the 16th century. The narrative begins with the earliest legends, and ends with the death of James I. of Scotland, and the "evil ending of the traitors that slew him." Strict accuracy of statement is not to be looked for in such a work as this; but the stories of the colonization of Spain, Ireland, and Scotland are interesting if not true; and the chronicle is valuable as a reflection of the manners, sentiments, and character of the age in which it was composed. The peculiarities of the Scottish dialect are well illustrated in this metrical version, and the student of language will find ample materials for comparison with the English dialects of the same period, and with modern lowland Scotch.

7. JOHANNIS CAPGRAVE LIBER DE ILLUSTRIBUS HENRICIS. *Edited by* the Rev. F. C. HINGESTON, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford. 1858.

This work is dedicated to Henry VI. of England, who appears to have been, in the author's estimation, the greatest of all the Henries. It is divided into three distinct parts, each having its own separate dedication. The first part relates only to the history of the Empire, and extends from the election of Henry I., the Fowler, to the end of the reign of the Emperor Henry VI. The second part is devoted to English history, and extends from the accession of Henry I. in the year 1100, to the year 1446, which was the twenty-fourth year of the reign of King Henry VI. The third part contains the lives of illustrious men who have borne the name of Henry in various parts of the world.

Capgrave was born in 1393, in the reign of Richard II., and lived during the Wars of the Roses, for the history of which period his work is of some value.

8. HISTORIA MONASTERII S. AUGUSTINI CANTUARIENSIS, by THOMAS OF ELMHAM, formerly Monk and Treasurer of that Foundation. *Edited by* CHARLES HARDWICK, M.A., Fellow of St. Catharine's Hall, and Christian Advocate in the University of Cambridge. 1858.

This history extends from the arrival of St. Augustine in Kent until 1191. Prefixed is a chronology as far as 1418, which shows in outline what was to have been the character of the work when completed. The only copy known is in the possession of Trinity Hall, Cambridge. The author was connected with Norfolk, and most probably with Elmham, whence he derived his name.

9. EULOGIUM (HISTORIARUM SIVE TEMPORIS): Chronicon ab Orbe condito usque ad Annum Domini 1366; a Monacho quodam Malmesbiriensi exaratum. Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* F. S. HAYDON, Esq., B.A. 1858–1863.

This is a Latin Chronicle extending from the Creation to the latter part of the reign of Edward III., and written by a monk of the Abbey of Malmesbury, in Wiltshire, about the year 1367. A continuation, carrying the history of England down to the year 1413, was added in the former half of the fifteenth century by an author whose name is not known. The original Chronicle is divided into five books, and contains a history of the world generally, but more especially

of England to the year 1366. The continuation extends the history down to the coronation of Henry V. The Eulogium itself is chiefly valuable as containing a history, by a contemporary, of the period between 1356 and 1366. The notices of events appear to have been written very soon after their occurrence. Among other interesting matter, the Chronicle contains a diary of the Poitiers campaign, evidently furnished by some person who accompanied the army of the Black Prince. The continuation of the Chronicle is also the work of a contemporary, and gives a very interesting account of the reigns of Richard II. and Henry IV. It is believed to be the earliest authority for the statement that the latter monarch died in the Jerusalem Chamber at Westminster.

10. MEMORIALS OF HENRY THE SEVENTH: Bernardi Andreæ Tholosatis Vita Regis Henrici Septimi; necnon alia quædam ad eundem Regem spectantia. *Edited by* JAMES GAIRDNER, Esq. 1858.

The contents of this volume are—(1) a life of Henry VII., by his poet laureate and historiographer, Bernard André, of Toulouse, with some compositions in verse, of which he is supposed to have been the author; (2) the journals of Roger Machado during certain embassies on which he was sent by Henry VII. to Spain and Brittany, the first of which had reference to the marriage of the King's son, Arthur, with Catharine of Arragon; (3) two curious reports by envoys sent to Spain in the year 1505 touching the succession to the Crown of Castile, and a project of marriage between Henry VII. and the Queen of Naples; and (4) an account of Philip of Castile's reception in England in 1506. Other documents of interest in connexion with the period are given in an appendix.

11. MEMORIALS OF HENRY THE FIFTH. I.—Vita Henrici Quinti, Roberto Redmanno auctore. II.—Versus Rhythmici in laudem Regis Henrici Quinti. III.—Elmhami Liber Metricus de Henrico V. *Edited by* CHARLES A. COLE, Esq. 1858.

This volume contains three treatises which more or less illustrate the history of the reign of Henry V., viz.: A Life by Robert Redman; a Metrical Chronicle by Thomas Elmham, prior of Lenton, a contemporary author; Versus Rhythmici, written apparently by a monk of Westminster Abbey, who was also a contemporary of Henry V. These works are printed for the first time.

12. MUNIMENTA GILDHALLÆ LONDONIENSIS; Liber Albus, Liber Custumarum, et Liber Horn, in archivis Gildhallæ asservati. Vol. I. Liber Albus. Vol. II. (in Two Parts), Liber Custumarum. Vol. III., Translation of the Anglo-Norman Passages in Liber Albus, Glossaries, Appendices, and Index. *Edited by* HENRY THOMAS RILEY, Esq., M.A., Barrister-at-Law. 1859–1862.

The manuscript of the *Liber Albus*, compiled by John Carpenter, Common Clerk of the City of London in the year 1419, a large folio volume, is preserved in the Record Room of the City of London. It gives an account of the laws, regulations, and institutions of that City in the twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, and early part of the fifteenth centuries.

The *Liber Custumarum* was compiled probably by various hands in the early part of the fourteenth century during the reign of Edward II. The manuscript, a folio volume, is also preserved in the Record Room of the City of London, though some portion in its original state, borrowed from the City in the reign of Queen Elizabeth and never returned, forms part of the Cottonian MS. Claudius D. II. in the British Museum. It also gives an account of the laws, regulations, and institutions of the City of London in the twelfth, thirteenth, and early part of the fourteenth centuries.

13. CHRONICA JOHANNIS DE OXENEDES. *Edited by* Sir HENRY ELLIS, K.H. 1859.

Although this Chronicle tells of the arrival of Hengist and Horsa in England in the year 449, yet it substantially begins with the reign of King Alfred, and

comes down to the year 1292, where it ends abruptly. The history is particularly valuable for notices of events in the eastern portions of the kingdom, which are not to be elsewhere obtained, and some curious facts are mentioned relative to the floods in that part of England, which are confirmed in the Friesland Chronicle of Anthony Heinrich, pastor of the Island of Mohr.

14. A Collection of Political Poems and Songs relating to English History, from the Accession of Edward III. to the Reign of Henry VIII. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* Thomas Wright, Esq., M.A. 1859–1861.

These Poems are perhaps the most interesting of all the historical writings of the period, though they cannot be relied on for accuracy of statement. They are various in character; some are upon religious subjects, some may be called satires, and some give no more than a court scandal; but as a whole they present a very fair picture of society, and of the relations of the different classes to one another. The period comprised is in itself interesting, and brings us, through the decline of the feudal system, to the beginning of our modern history. The songs in old English are of considerable value to the philologist.

15. The "Opus Tertium," "Opus Minus," &c., of Roger Bacon. *Edited by* J. S. Brewer, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. 1859.

This is the celebrated treatise—never before printed—so frequently referred to by the great philosopher in his works. It contains the fullest details we possess of the life and labours of Roger Bacon: also a fragment by the same author, supposed to be unique, the "*Compendium Studii Theologiæ.*"

16. Bartholomæi de Cotton, Monachi Norwicensis, Historia Anglicana; 449–1298: necnon ejusdem Liber de Archiepiscopis et Episcopis Angliæ. *Edited by* Henry Richards Luard, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1859.

The author, a monk of Norwich, has here given us a Chronicle of England from the arrival of the Saxons in 449 to the year 1298, in or about which year it appears that he died. The latter portion of this history (the whole of the reign of Edward I. more especially) is of great value, as the writer was contemporary with the events which he records. An Appendix contains several illustrative documents connected with the previous narrative.

17. Brut y Tywysogion; or, The Chronicle of the Princes of Wales. *Edited by* the Rev. John Williams ab Ithel, M.A. 1860.

This work, also known as "The Chronicle of the Princes of Wales," has been attributed to Caradoc of Llancarvan, who flourished about the middle of the twelfth century. It is written in the ancient Welsh language, begins with the abdication and death of Caedwala at Rome, in the year 681, and continues the history down to the subjugation of Wales by Edward I., about the year 1282.

18. A Collection of Royal and Historical Letters during the Reign of Henry IV. 1399–1404. *Edited by* the Rev. F. C. Hingeston, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford. 1860.

This volume, like all the others in the series containing a miscellaneous selection of letters, is valuable on account of the light it throws upon biographical history, and the familiar view it presents of characters, manners, and events. The period requires much elucidation; to which it will materially contribute.

19. The Repressor of over much Blaming of the Clergy. By Reginald Pecock, sometime Bishop of Chichester. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* Churchill Babington, B.D., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1860.

The "Repressor" may be considered the earliest piece of good theological disquisition of which our English prose literature can boast. The author was born

about the end of the fourteenth century, consecrated Bishop of St. Asaph in the year 1444, and translated to the see of Chichester in 1450. While Bishop of St. Asaph, he zealously defended his brother prelates from the attacks of those who censured the bishops for their neglect of duty. He maintained that it was no part of a bishop's functions to appear in the pulpit, and that his time might be more profitably spent, and his dignity better maintained, in the performance of works of a higher character. Among those who thought differently were the Lollards, and against their general doctrines the "Repressor" is directed. Pecock took up a position midway between that of the Roman Church and that of the modern Anglican Church; but his work is interesting chiefly because it gives a full account of the views of the Lollards and of the arguments by which they were supported, and because it assists us to ascertain the state of feeling which ultimately led to the Reformation. Apart from religious matters, the light thrown upon contemporaneous history is very small, but the "Repressor" has great value for the philologist, as it tells us what were the characteristics of the language in use among the cultivated Englishmen of the fifteenth century. Pecock, though an opponent of the Lollards, showed a certain spirit of toleration, for which he received, towards the end of his life, the usual mediæval reward—persecution.

20. Annales Cambriæ. *Edited by* the Rev. John Williams ab Ithel, M.A. 1860.

These annals, which are in Latin, commence in the year 447, and come down to the year 1288. The earlier portion appears to be taken from an Irish Chronicle, which was also used by Tigernach, and by the compiler of the Annals of Ulster. During its first century it contains scarcely anything relating to Britain, the earliest direct concurrence with English history is relative to the mission of Augustine. Its notices throughout, though brief, are valuable. The annals were probably written at St. Davids, by Blegewryd, Archdeacon of Llandaff, the most learned man in his day in all Cymru.

21. The Works of Giraldus Cambrensis. Vols. I., II., III., and IV. *Edited by* J. S. Brewer, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. Vols. V. and VI. *Edited by* the Rev. James F. Dimock, M.A., Rector of Barnburgh, Yorkshire. 1861–1873.

These volumes contain the historical works of Gerald du Barry, who lived in the reigns of Henry II., Richard I., and John, and attempted to re-establish the independence of Wales by restoring the see of St. Davids to its ancient primacy. His works are of a very miscellaneous nature, both in prose and verse, and are remarkable chiefly for the racy and original anecdotes which they contain relating to contemporaries. He is the only Welsh writer of any importance who has contributed so much to the mediæval literature of this country, or assumed, in consequence of his nationality, so free and independent a tone. His frequent travels in Italy, in France, in Ireland, and in Wales, gave him opportunities for observation which did not generally fall to the lot of mediæval writers in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, and of these observations Giraldus has made due use. Only extracts from these treatises have been printed before, and almost all of them are taken from unique manuscripts.

The Topographia Hibernica (in Vol. V.) is the result of Giraldus' two visits to Ireland. The first in the year 1183, the second in 1185–6, when he accompanied Prince John into that country. Curious as this treatise is, Mr. Dimock is of opinion that it ought not to be accepted as sober truthful history, for Giraldus himself states that truth was not his main object, and that he compiled the work for the purpose of sounding the praises of Henry the Second. Elsewhere, however, he declares that he had stated nothing in the Topographia of the truth of which he was not well assured, either by his own eyesight or by the testimony, with all diligence elicited, of the most trustworthy and authentic men in the country; that though he did not put just the same full faith in their reports as in what he had himself seen, yet, as they only related what they had themselves seen, he could not but believe such credible witnesses. A very interesting portion of this treatise is devoted to the animals of Ireland. It shows that he was a very accurate and acute observer, and his descriptions are given in a way that a scientific naturalist of the present day could hardly improve upon. The Expugnatio Hibernica was written about the year 1188 and may be regarded rather

as a great epic than a sober relation of acts occurring in his own days. No one can peruse it without coming to the conclusion that it is rather a poetical fiction than a prosaic truthful history.

Vol. VI. contains the Itinerarium Kambriæ et Descriptio Kambriæ.

22. LETTERS AND PAPERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE WARS OF THE ENGLISH IN FRANCE DURING THE REIGN OF HENRY THE SIXTH, KING OF ENGLAND. Vol. I., and Vol. II. (in Two Parts). *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A., of University College, Durham, and Vicar of Leighton Buzzard. 1861–1864.

The letters and papers contained in these volumes are derived chiefly from originals or contemporary copies extant in the Bibliothèque Impériale, and the Depôt des Archives, in Paris. They illustrate the line of policy adopted by John Duke of Bedford and his successors during their government of Normandy, and such other provinces of France as had been acquired by Henry V. We may here trace, step by step, the gradual declension of the English power, until we are prepared to read of its final overthrow.

23. THE ANGLO-SAXON CHRONICLE, ACCORDING TO THE SEVERAL ORIGINAL AUTHORITIES. Vol. I., Original Texts. Vol. II., Translation. *Edited and translated by* BENJAMIN THORPE, Esq., Member of the Royal Academy of Sciences at Munich, and of the Society of Netherlandish Literature at Leyden. 1861.

This Chronicle, extending from the earliest history of Britain to the year 1154, is justly the boast of England; for no other nation can produce any history, written in its own vernacular, at all approaching it, either in antiquity, truthfulness, or extent, the historical books of the Bible alone excepted. There are at present six independent manuscripts of the Saxon Chronicle, ending in different years, and written in different parts of the country. In this edition, the text of each manuscript is printed in columns on the same page, so that the student may see at a glance the various changes which occur in orthography, whether arising from locality or age.

24. LETTERS AND PAPERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE REIGNS OF RICHARD III. AND HENRY VII. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* JAMES GAIRDNER, Esq. 1861–1863.

The Papers are derived from MSS. in the Public Record Office, the British Museum, and other repositories. The period to which they refer is unusually destitute of chronicles and other sources of historical information, so that the light obtained from these documents is of special importance. The principal contents of the volumes are some diplomatic Papers of Richard III.; correspondence between Henry VII. and Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain; documents relating to Edmund de la Pole, Earl of Suffolk; and a portion of the correspondence of James IV. of Scotland.

25. LETTERS OF BISHOP GROSSETESTE, illustrative of the Social Condition of his Time. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1861.

The Letters of Robert Grosseteste (131 in number) are here collected from various sources, and a large portion of them is printed for the first time. They range in date from about 1210 to 1253, and relate to various matters connected not only with the political history of England during the reign of Henry III., but with its ecclesiastical condition. They refer especially to the diocese of Lincoln, of which Grosseteste was bishop.

26. DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUE OF MANUSCRIPTS RELATING TO THE HISTORY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND. Vol. I. (in Two Parts); Anterior to the Norman Invasion. Vol. II.; 1066–1200. Vol. III.; 1200–1327. *By* Sir THOMAS DUFFUS HARDY, D.C.L., Deputy Keeper of the Public Records. 1862–1871.

The object of this work is to publish notices of all known sources of British history, both printed and unprinted, in one continued sequence. The materials, when historical (as distinguished from biographical), are arranged under the year in which the latest event is recorded in the chronicle or history, and not

under the period in which its author, real or supposed, flourished. Biographies are enumerated under the year in which the person commemorated died, and not under the year in which the life was written. This arrangement has two advantages; the materials for any given period may be seen at a glance; and if the reader knows the time when an author wrote, and the number of years that had elapsed between the date of the events and the time the writer flourished, he will generally be enabled to form a fair estimate of the comparative value of the narrative itself. A brief analysis of each work has been added when deserving it, in which the original portions are distinguished from those which are mere compilations. When possible, the sources are indicated from which such compilations have been derived. A biographical sketch of the author of each piece has been added, and a brief notice has also been given of such British authors as have written on historical subjects.

27. ROYAL AND OTHER HISTORICAL LETTERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE REIGN OF HENRY III. Vol. I., 1216–1235. Vol. II., 1236–1272. *Selected and edited by* the Rev. W. W. SHIRLEY, D.D., Regius Professor in Ecclesiastical History, and Canon of Christ Church, Oxford. 1862–1866.

The letters contained in these volumes are derived chiefly from the ancient correspondence formerly in the Tower of London, and now in the Public Record Office. They illustrate the political history of England during the growth of its liberties, and throw considerable light upon the personal history of Simon de Montfort. The affairs of France form the subject of many of them, especially in regard to the province of Gascony. The entire collection consists of nearly 700 documents, the greater portion of which is printed for the first time.

28. CHRONICA MONASTERII S. ALBANI.—1. THOMÆ WALSINGHAM HISTORIA ANGLICANA; Vol. I., 1272–1381: Vol. II., 1381–1422. 2. WILLELMI RISHANGER CHRONICA ET ANNALES, 1259–1307. 3. JOHANNIS DE TROKELOWE ET HENRICI DE BLANEFORDE CHRONICA ET ANNALES, 1259–1296; 1307–1324; 1392–1406. 4. GESTA ABBATUM MONASTERII S. ALBANI, A THOMA WALSINGHAM, REGNANTE RICARDO SECUNDO, EJUSDEM ECCLESIÆ PRÆCENTORE, COMPILATA; Vol. I., 793–1290: Vol. II., 1290–1349: Vol. III., 1349–1411. 5. JOHANNIS AMUNDESHAM, MONACHI MONASTERII S. ALBANI, UT VIDETUR, ANNALES; Vols. I. and II. 6. REGISTRA QUORUNDAM ABBATUM MONASTERII S. ALBANI, QUI SÆCULO XV^mo FLORUERE; Vol. I., REGISTRUM ABBATIÆ JOHANNIS WHETHAMSTEDE, ABBATIS MONASTERII SANCTI ALBANI, ITERUM SUSCEPTÆ; ROBERTO BLAKENEY, CAPELLANO, QUONDAM ADSCRIPTUM: Vol. II., REGISTRA JOHANNIS WHETHAMSTEDE, WILLELMI ALBON, ET WILLELMI WALINGFORDE, ABBATUM MONASTERII SANCTI ALBANI, CUM APPENDICE, CONTINENTE QUASDAM EPISTOLAS, A JOHANNE WHETHAMSTEDE CONSCRIPTAS. 7. YPODIGMA NEUSTRIÆ, A THOMA WALSINGHAM, QUONDAM MONACHO MONASTERII S. ALBANI, CONSCRIPTUM. *Edited by* HENRY THOMAS RILEY, Esq., M.A., Cambridge and Oxford; and of the Inner Temple, Barrister-at-Law. 1863–1876.

In the first two volumes is a History of England, from the death of Henry III. to the death of Henry V., by Thomas Walsingham, Precentor of St. Albans, from MS. VII. in the Arundel Collection in the College of Arms, London, a manuscript of the fifteenth century, collated with MS. 13 E. IX. in the King's Library in the British Museum, and MS. VII. in the Parker Collection of Manuscripts at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

In the third volume is a Chronicle of English History, attributed to William Rishanger, who lived in the reign of Edward I., from the Cotton. MS. Faustina B. IX. in the British Museum, collated with MS. 14 C. VII. (fols. 219–231) in the King's Library, British Museum, and the Cotton MS. Claudius E. III., fols. 306–331: an account of transactions attending the award of the kingdom of Scotland to John Balliol, 1291–1292, from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI., also attributed to William Rishanger, but on no sufficient ground: a short Chronicle of English History, 1292 to 1300,

by an unknown hand, from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI. : a short Chronicle, Willelmi Rishanger Gesta Edwardi Primi, Regis Angliæ, from MS. 14 C. I. in the Royal Library, and MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI., with Annales Regum Angliæ, probably by the same hand: and fragments of three Chronicles of English History, 1285 to 1307.

In the fourth volume is a Chronicle of English History, 1259 to 1296, from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI. : Annals of Edward II., 1307 to 1323, by John de Trokelowe, a monk of St. Albans, and a continuation of Trokelowe's Annals, 1323, 1324, by Henry de Blaneforde, both from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI.: a full Chronicle of English History, 1392 to 1406, from MS. VII. in the Library of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge; and an account of the Benefactors of St. Albans, written in the early part of the fifteenth century, from MS. VI. in the same Library.

The fifth, sixth, and seventh volumes contain a history of the Abbots of St. Albans, 793 to 1411, mainly compiled by Thomas Walsingham, from MS. Cotton. Claudius E. IV., in the British Museum : with a Continuation, from the closing pages of Parker MS. VII., in the Library of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

The eighth and ninth volumes, in continuation of the Annals, contain a Chronicle, probably by John Amundesham, a monk of St. Albans.

The tenth and eleventh volumes relate especially to the acts and proceedings of Abbots Whethamstede, Albon, and Wallingford, and may be considered as a memorial of the chief historical and domestic events during those periods.

The twelfth volume contains a compendious History of England to the reign of Henry V., and of Normandy in early times, also by Thomas Walsingham, and dedicated to Henry V. The compiler has often substituted other authorities in place of those consulted in the preparation of his larger work.

29. Chronicon Abbatiæ Eveshamensis, Auctoribus Dominico Priore Eveshamiæ et Thoma de Marleberge Abbate, a Fundatione ad Annum 1213, una cum Continuatione ad Annum 1418. *Edited by* the Rev. W. D. Macray, M.A., Bodleian Library, Oxford. 1863.

The Chronicle of Evesham illustrates the history of that important monastery from its foundation by Egwin, about 690, to the year 1418. Its chief feature is an autobiography, which makes us acquainted with the inner daily life of a great abbey, such as but rarely has been recorded. Interspersed are many notices of general, personal, and local history which will be read with much interest. This work exists in a single MS., and is for the first time printed.

30. Ricardi de Cirencestria Speculum Historiale de Gestis Regum Angliæ. Vol. I., 447–871. Vol. II., 872–1066. *Edited by* John E. B. Mayor, M.A., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1863–1869.

The compiler, Richard of Cirencester, was a monk of Westminster, 1355–1400. In 1391 he obtained a licence to make a pilgrimage to Rome. His history, in four books, extends from 447 to 1066. He announces his intention of continuing it, but there is no evidence that he completed any more. This chronicle gives many charters in favour of Westminster Abbey, and a very full account of the lives and miracles of the saints, especially of Edward the Confessor, whose reign occupies the fourth book. A treatise on the Coronation, by William of Sudbury, a monk of Westminster, fills book iii. c. 3. It was on this author that C. J. Bertram fathered his forgery, *De Situ Brittaniæ*, in 1747.

31. Year Books of the Reign of Edward the First. Years 20–21, 21–22, 30–31, and 32–33. *Edited and translated by* Alfred John Horwood, Esq., of the Middle Temple, Barrister-at-Law. 1863–1873.

The volumes known as the "Year Books" contain reports in Norman-French of cases argued and decided in the Courts of Common Law. They may be considered to a great extent as the "lex non scripta" of England, and have been held in the highest veneration by the ancient sages of the law, and were received by them as the repositories of the first recorded judgments and dicta of the great

legal luminaries of past ages. They are also worthy of the attention of the general reader on account of the historical information and the notices of public and private persons which they contain, as well as the light which they throw on ancient manners and customs.

32. Narratives of the Expulsion of the English from Normandy, 1449–1450.—Robertus Blondelli de Reductione Normanniæ: Le Recouvrement de Normendie, par Berry, Hérault du Roy: Conferences between the Ambassadors of France and England. *Edited, from MSS. in the Imperial Library at Paris, by* the Rev. Joseph Stevenson, M.A., of University College, Durham. 1863.

This volume contains the narrative of an eye-witness who details with considerable power and minuteness the circumstances which attended the final expulsion of the English from Normandy in the year 1450. The history commences with the infringement of the truce by the capture of Fougères, and ends with the battle of Formigny and the embarkation of the Duke of Somerset. The whole period embraced is less than two years.

33. Historia et Cartularium Monasterii S. Petri Gloucestriæ. Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* W. H. Hart, Esq., F.S.A., Membre correspondant de la Société des Antiquaires de Normandie. 1863–1867.

This work consists of two parts, the History and the Cartulary of the Monastery of St. Peter, Gloucester. The history furnishes an account of the monastery from its foundation, in the year 681, to the early part of the reign of Richard II., together with a calendar of donations and benefactions. It treats principally of the affairs of the monastery, but occasionally matters of general history are introduced. Its authorship has generally been assigned to Walter Froucester, the twentieth abbot, but without any foundation.

34. Alexandri Neckam de Naturis Rerum libri duo; with Neckam's Poem, De Laudibus Divinæ Sapientiæ. *Edited by* Thomas Wright, Esq., M.A. 1863.

Neckam was a man who devoted himself to science, such as it was in the twelfth century. In the "De Naturis Rerum" are to be found what may be called the rudiments of many sciences mixed up with much error and ignorance. Neckam was not thought infallible, even by his contemporaries, for Roger Bacon remarks of him, "this Alexander in many things wrote what was true and useful; "but he neither can nor ought by just title to be reckoned among authorities." Neckam, however, had sufficient independence of thought to differ from some of the schoolmen who in his time considered themselves the only judges of literature. He had his own views in morals, and in giving us a glimpse of them, as well as of his other opinions, he throws much light upon the manners, customs, and general tone of thought prevalent in the twelfth century. The poem entitled "De Laudibus Divinæ Sapientiæ" appears to be a metrical paraphrase or abridgment of the "De Naturis Rerum." It is written in the elegiac metre; and though there are many lines which violate classical rules, it is, as a whole, above the ordinary standard of mediæval Latin.

35. Leechdoms, Wortcunning, and Starcraft of Early England; being a Collection of Documents illustrating the History of Science in this Country before the Norman Conquest. Vols. I., II., and III. *Collected and edited by* the Rev. T. Oswald Cockayne, M.A., of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1864–1866.

This work illustrates not only the history of science, but the history of superstition. In addition to the information bearing directly upon the medical skill and medical faith of the times, there are many passages which incidentally throw light upon the general mode of life and ordinary diet. The volumes are interesting not only in their scientific, but also in their social aspect. The manuscripts from which they have been printed are valuable to the Anglo-Saxon scholar for the illustrations they afford of Anglo-Saxon orthography.

36. ANNALES MONASTICI. Vol. I.:—Annales de Margan, 1066–1232; Annales de Theokesberia, 1066–1263; Annales de Burton, 1004–1263. Vol. II.:—Annales Monasterii de Wintonia, 519–1277; Annales Monasterii de Waverleia, 1–1291. Vol. III.:—Annales Prioratus de Dunstaplia, 1–1297; Annales Monasterii de Bermundeseia, 1042–1432. Vol. IV.:—Annales Monasterii de Oseneia, 1016–1347; Chronicon vulgo dictum Chronicon Thomæ Wykes, 1066–1289; Annales Prioratus de Wigornia, 1–1377. Vol. V.:—Index and Glossary. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, and Registrary of the University, Cambridge. 1864–1869.

The present collection of Monastic Annals embraces all the more important chronicles compiled in religious houses in England during the thirteenth century. These distinct works are ten in number. The extreme period which they embrace ranges from the year 1 to 1432, although they refer more especially to the reigns of John, Henry III., and Edward I. Some of these narratives have already appeared in print, but others are printed for the first time.

37. MAGNA VITA S. HUGONIS EPISCOPI LINCOLNIENSIS. From Manuscripts in the Bodleian Library, Oxford, and the Imperial Library, Paris. *Edited by* the Rev. JAMES F. DIMOCK, M.A., Rector of Barnburgh, Yorkshire. 1864.

This work contains a number of very curious and interesting incidents, and being the work of a contemporary, is very valuable, not only as a truthful biography of a celebrated ecclesiastic, but as the work of a man, who, from personal knowledge, gives notices of passing events, as well as of individuals who were then taking active part in public affairs. The author, in all probability, was Adam Abbot of Evesham. He was domestic chaplain and private confessor of Bishop Hugh, and in these capacities was admitted to the closest intimacy. Bishop Hugh was Prior of Witham for 11 years before he became Bishop of Lincoln. His consecration took place on the 21st September 1186; he died on the 16th of November 1200; and was canonized in 1220.

38. CHRONICLES AND MEMORIALS OF THE REIGN OF RICHARD THE FIRST. Vol. I.:—ITINERARIUM PEREGRINORUM ET GESTA REGIS RICARDI. Vol. II.:—EPISTOLÆ CANTUARIENSES; the Letters of the Prior and Convent of Christ Church, Canterbury; 1187 to 1199. *Edited by* WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Vicar of Navestock, Essex, and Lambeth Librarian. 1864–1865.

The authorship of the Chronicle in Vol. I., hitherto ascribed to Geoffrey Vinesauf, is now more correctly ascribed to Richard, Canon of the Holy Trinity of London. The narrative extends from 1187 to 1199; but its chief interest consists in the minute and authentic narrative which it furnishes of the exploits of Richard I., from his departure from England in December 1189 to his death in 1199. The author states in his prologue that he was an eye-witness of much that he records; and various incidental circumstances which occur in the course of the narrative confirm this assertion.

The letters in Vol. II., written between 1187 and 1199, are of value as furnishing authentic materials for the history of the ecclesiastical condition of England during the reign of Richard I. They had their origin in a dispute which arose from the attempts of Baldwin and Hubert, archbishops of Canterbury, to found a college of secular canons, a project which gave great umbrage to the monks of Canterbury, who saw in it a design to supplant them in their function of metropolitan chapter. These letters are printed, for the first time, from a MS. belonging to the archiepiscopal library at Lambeth.

39. RECUEIL DES CRONIQUES ET ANCHIENNES ISTORIES DE LA GRANT BRETAIGNE A PRESENT NOMME ENGLETERRE, par JEHAN DE WAURIN. Vol. I.

Albina to 688. Vol. II., 1399–1422 *Edited by* WILLIAM HARDY, Esq., F.S.A. 1864–1868.

40. A COLLECTION OF THE CHRONICLES AND ANCIENT HISTORIES OF GREAT BRITAIN, NOW CALLED ENGLAND, by JOHN DE WAVRIN. Albina to 688. (Translation of the preceding Vol. I.) *Edited and translated by* WILLIAM HARDY, Esq., F.S.A. 1864.

This curious chronicle extends from the fabulous period of history down to the return of Edward IV. to England in the year 1471, after the second deposition of Henry VI. The manuscript from which the text of the work is taken is preserved in the Imperial Library at Paris, and is believed to be the only complete and nearly contemporary copy in existence. The work, as originally bound, was comprised in six volumes, since rebound in morocco in 12 volumes, folio maximo, vellum, and is illustrated with exquisite miniatures, vignettes, and initial letters. It was written towards the end of the fifteenth century, having been expressly executed for Louis de Bruges, Seigneur de la Gruthuyse and Earl of Winchester, from whose cabinet it passed into the library of Louis XII. at Blois.

41. POLYCHRONICON RANULPHI HIGDEN, with Trevisa's Translation. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* CHURCHILL BABINGTON, B.D., Senior Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. Vols. III., IV., V., and VI. *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH RAWSON LUMBY, B.D., Vicar of St. Edward's, Cambridge, Fellow of St. Catharine's College, and late Fellow of Magdalene College, Cambridge. 1865–1876.

This is one of the many mediæval chronicles which assume the character of a history of the world. It begins with the creation, and is brought down to the author's own time, the reign of Edward III. Prefixed to the historical portion, is a chapter devoted to geography, in which is given a description of every known land. To say that the Polychronicon was written in the fourteenth century is to say that it is not free from inaccuracies. It has, however, a value apart from its intrinsic merits. It enables us to form a very fair estimate of the knowledge of history and geography which well-informed readers of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries possessed, for it was then the standard work on general history.

The two English translations, which are printed with the original Latin, afford interesting illustrations of the gradual change of our language, for one was made in the fourteenth century, the other in the fifteenth. The differences between Trevisa's version and that of the unknown writer are often considerable.

42. LE LIVERE DE REIS DE BRITTANIE E LE LIVERE DE REIS DE ENGLETERE. *Edited by* JOHN GLOVER, M.A., Vicar of Brading, Isle of Wight, formerly Librarian of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1865.

These two treatises, though they cannot rank as independent narratives, are nevertheless valuable as careful abstracts of previous historians, especially "Le Livere de Reis de Engletere." Some various readings are given which are interesting to the philologist as instances of semi-Saxonized French.

It is supposed that Peter of Ickham must have been the author, but no certain conclusion on that point has been arrived at.

43. CHRONICA MONASTERII DE MELSA, AB ANNO 1150 USQUE AD ANNUM 1406. Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* EDWARD AUGUSTUS BOND, Esq., Assistant Keeper of the Manuscripts, and Egerton Librarian, British Museum. 1866–1868.

The Abbey of Meaux was a Cistercian house, and the work of its abbot is both curious and valuable. It is a faithful and often minute record of the establishment of a religious community, of its progress in forming an ample revenue, of its struggles to maintain its acquisitions, and of its relations to the governing institutions of the country. In addition to the private affairs of the monastery, some light is thrown upon the public events of the time, which are however kept distinct, and appear at he end of the history of each abbot's administration. The text has been printed from what is said to be the autograph of the original compiler, Thomas de Burton, the nineteenth abbot.

44. MATTHÆI PARISIENSIS HISTORIA ANGLORUM, SIVE, UT VULGO DICITUR, HISTORIA MINOR. Vols. I., II., and III. 1067–1253. *Edited by* Sir FREDERIC MADDEN, K.H., Keeper of the Department of Manuscripts, British Museum. 1866–1869.

The exact date at which this work was written is, according to the chronicler, 1250. The history is of considerable value as an illustration of the period during which the author lived, and contains a good summary of the events which followed the Conquest. This minor chronicle is, however, based on another work (also written by Matthew Paris) giving fuller details, which has been called the "Historia Major." The chronicle here published, nevertheless, gives some information not to be found in the greater history.

45. LIBER MONASTERII DE HYDA: A CHRONICLE AND CHARTULARY OF HYDE ABBEY, WINCHESTER, 455–1023. *Edited, from a Manuscript in the Library of the Earl of Macclesfield, by* EDWARD EDWARDS, Esq. 1866.

The "Book of Hyde" is a compilation from much earlier sources which are usually indicated with considerable care and precision. In many cases, however, the Hyde chronicler appears to correct, to qualify, or to amplify—either from tradition or from sources of information not now discoverable—the statements, which, in substance, he adopts. He also mentions, and frequently quotes from writers whose works are either entirely lost or at present known only by fragments. There is to be found, in the "Book of Hyde," much information relating to the reign of King Alfred which is not known to exist elsewhere. The volume contains some curious specimens of Anglo-Saxon and Mediæval English.

46. CHRONICON SCOTORUM: A CHRONICLE OF IRISH AFFAIRS, from the EARLIEST TIMES to 1135; with a SUPPLEMENT, containing the Events from 1141 to 1150. *Edited, with a Translation, by* WILLIAM MAUNSELL HENNESSY, Esq., M.R.I.A. 1866.

There is, in this volume, a legendary account of the peopling of Ireland and of the adventures which befell the various heroes who are said to have been connected with Irish history. The details are, however, very meagre both for this period and for the time when history becomes more authentic. The plan adopted in the chronicle gives the appearance of an accuracy to which the earlier portions of the work cannot have any claim. The succession of events is marked, year by year, from A.M. 1599 to A.D. 1150. The principal events narrated in the later portion of the work are, the invasions of foreigners, and the wars of the Irish among themselves. The text has been printed from a MS. preserved in the library of Trinity College, Dublin, written partly in Latin, partly in Irish.

47. THE CHRONICLE OF PIERRE DE LANGTOFT, IN FRENCH VERSE, FROM THE EARLIEST PERIOD TO THE DEATH OF EDWARD I. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* THOMAS WRIGHT, Esq., M.A. 1866–1868.

It is probable that Pierre de Langtoft was a canon of Bridlington, in Yorkshire, and that he lived in the reign of Edward I., and during a portion of the reign of Edward II. This chronicle is divided into three parts; in the first is an abridgment of Geoffrey of Monmouth's "Historia Britonum," in the second, a history of the Anglo-Saxon and Norman kings, down to the death of Henry III., and in the third a history of the reign of Edward I. The principal object of the work was apparently to show the justice of Edward's Scottish wars. The language is singularly corrupt, and a curious specimen of the French of Yorkshire.

48. THE WAR OF THE GAEDHIL WITH THE GAILL, or, THE INVASIONS OF IRELAND BY THE DANES AND OTHER NORSEMEN. *Edited, with a Translation, by* JAMES HENTHORN TODD D.D., Senior Fellow of Trinity College, and Regius Professor of Hebrew in the University. Dublin. 1867.

The work in its present form, in the editor's opinion, is a comparatively modern version of an undoubtedly ancient original. That it was compiled from contemporary materials has been proved by curious incidental evidence. It is stated in

the account given of the battle of Clontarf that the full tide in Dublin Bay on the day of the battle (23 April 1014) coincided with sunrise; and that the returning tide in the evening aided considerably in the defeat of the Danes. The fact has been verified by astronomical calculations, and the inference is that the author of the chronicle, if not himself an eye-witness, must have derived his information from those who were eye-witnesses. The contents of the work are sufficiently described in its title. The story is told after the manner of the Scandinavian Sagas, with poems and fragments of poems introduced into the prose narrative.

49. GESTA REGIS HENRICI SECUNDI BENEDICTI ABBATIS. THE CHRONICLE OF THE REIGNS OF HENRY II. AND RICHARD I., 1169–1192; known under the name of BENEDICT OF PETERBOROUGH. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History, Oxford, and Lambeth Librarian. 1867.

This chronicle of the reigns of Henry II. and Richard I., known commonly under the name of Benedict of Peterborough, is one of the best existing specimens of a class of historical compositions of the first importance to the student.

50. MUNIMENTA ACADEMICA, OR, DOCUMENTS ILLUSTRATIVE OF ACADEMICAL LIFE AND STUDIES AT OXFORD (in Two Parts). *Edited by* the Rev. HENRY ANSTEY, M.A., Vicar of St. Wendron, Cornwall, and lately Vice-Principal of St. Mary Hall, Oxford. 1868.

This work will supply materials for a History of Academical Life and Studies in the University of Oxford during the 13th, 14th, and 15th centuries.

51. CHRONICA MAGISTRI ROGERI DE HOUEDENE. Vols. I., II., III., and IV. *Edited by* WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History, and Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford. 1868–1871.

This work has long been justly celebrated, but not thoroughly understood until Mr. Stubbs' edition. The earlier portion, extending from 732 to 1148, appears to be a copy of a compilation made in Northumbria about 1161, to which Hoveden added little. From 1148 to 1169—a very valuable portion of this work—the matter is derived from another source, to which Hoveden appears to have supplied little, and not always judiciously. From 1170 to 1192 is the portion which corresponds with the Chronicle known under the name of Benedict of Peterborough (*see* No. 49); but it is not a copy, being sometimes an abridgment, at others a paraphrase; occasionally the two works entirely agree; showing that both writers had access to the same materials, but dealt with them differently. From 1192 to 1201 may be said to be wholly Hoveden's work: it is extremely valuable, and an authority of the first importance.

52. WILLELMI MALMESBIRIENSIS MONACHI DE GESTIS PONTIFICUM ANGLORUM LIBRI QUINQUE. *Edited, from William of Malmesbury's Autograph MS., by* N. E. S. A. HAMILTON, Esq., of the Department of Manuscripts, British Museum. 1870.

William of Malmesbury's "Gesta Pontificum" is the principal foundation of English Ecclesiastical Biography, down to the year 1122. The manuscript which has been followed in this Edition is supposed by Mr. Hamilton to be the author's autograph, containing his latest additions and amendments.

53. HISTORIC AND MUNICIPAL DOCUMENTS OF IRELAND, FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE CITY OF DUBLIN, &c. 1172–1320. *Edited by* JOHN T. GILBERT, Esq., F.S.A., Secretary of the Public Record Office of Ireland. 1870.

A collection of original documents, elucidating mainly the history and condition of the municipal, middle, and trading classes under or in relation with the rule of England in Ireland,—a subject hitherto in almost total obscurity. Extending over the first hundred and fifty years of the Anglo-Norman settlement, the series includes charters, municipal laws and regulations, rolls of names of citizens and members of merchant-guilds, lists of commodities with their rates, correspondence, illustrations of relations between ecclesiastics and laity; together with many documents exhibiting the state of Ireland during the presence there of the Scots under Robert and Edward Bruce.

54. THE ANNALS OF LOCH CÉ. A CHRONICLE OF IRISH AFFAIRS, FROM 1014 to 1590. Vols. I. and II. *Edited, with a Translation, by* WILLIAM MAUNSELL HENNESSY, Esq., M.R.I.A. 1871.

The original of this chronicle has passed under various names. The title of "Annals of Loch Cé" was given to it by Professor O'Curry, on the ground that it was transcribed for Brian Mac Dermot, an Irish chieftain, who resided on an island in Loch Cé, in the county of Roscommon. It adds much to the materials for the civil and ecclesiastical history of Ireland; and contains many curious references to English and foreign affairs, not noticed in any other chronicle.

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